Psalm 91

¹You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, ²will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust." ³For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence; 4he will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler. ⁵You will not fear the terror of the night, or the arrow that flies by day, ⁶or the pestilence that stalks in darkness, or the destruction that wastes at noonday. ⁷A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you. ⁸You will only look with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked. ⁹Because you have made the LORD your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place, ¹⁰no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent. ¹¹For he will command his angels concerning you to quard you in all your ways. ¹²On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone. ¹³You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot. ¹⁴Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. ¹⁵When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them. ¹⁶With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

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WELCOME TO EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

INTRODUCTION

These forty days called Lent are like no other. It is our opportune time to return to the God who rescues; to receive the gifts of God's grace; to believe with the heart and confess with the mouth the wonder of God's love in Jesus; and to resist temptation at every turn. This is no small pilgrimage on which we have just embarked. It is a struggle Jesus knew. It is a struggle Jesus shares. The nearness of the Lord, in bread and wine, water and word, will uphold and sustain us.

PRELUDE Nimrod Elgar (from the 'Enigma' Variations)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The assembly stands.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who gathers us in the wilderness to redeem us, anoint us, and make us new.

Amen.

In these forty days, let us be honest, confess our sin, and receive God's promise of mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection. The assembly may stand or kneel.

God at the margins,
We have wandered far from your home;
again and again, we lose our way.
We turn inward, afraid of the world around us.
We forget that you have saved your people before
and promise to do so again.
Do not remember the deeds of our past,
but turn our faces toward the future,
where your forgiveness is sure,
your welcome is clear,
and your love overflows.
Amen.

Like a hen who gathers her chicks,
God embraces you in tender care.
Like manna in the desert,
God feeds you with surprising mercy.
Like a loving parent,
God runs to meet you again this day,
forgiving your sins for the sake of + Christ,
leading you from death into life.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG

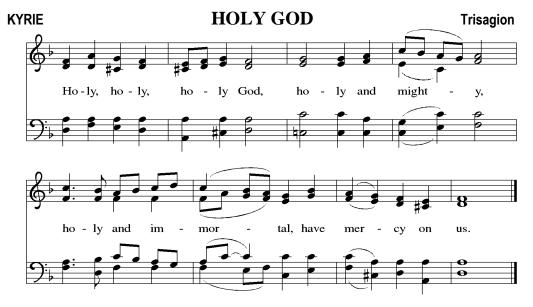
O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days

ELW 319

GREETING

The grace of Jesus Christ our Savior, the reconciling love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.



Music: Russian Orthodox traditional

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land.
Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 26:1–11

(Please turn to page 200 in the Old Testament of your pew Bible).

The annual harvest festival, called the feast of Weeks, provides the setting for this reading. This festival celebrates the first fruits of the produce of the land offered back to God in thanks. In this text, worshipers announce God's gracious acts on behalf of Israel.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Romans 10:8b-13

(Please turn to page 167 in the New Testament of your Pew Bible).

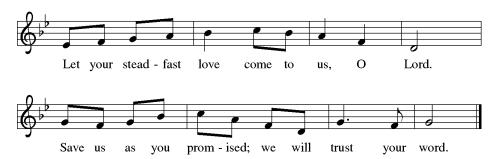
Paul reminds the Christians at Rome of the foundation of their creed, the confession of faith in the risen Christ as Lord.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 4:1-13

(Please turn to page 62 in the New Testament of your Pew Bible).

The holy gospel according to Luke, the fourth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After being filled with the Holy Spirit at his baptism, Jesus is led in the wilderness. Through his responses to the temptations of the devil he defines what it means to be called "the Son of God."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON Pastor Steven Wigdahl

The assembly stands.

HYMN OF THE DAY: I Want Jesus to Walk with Me ELW 325

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Seeking the grace, mercy, and love of almighty God, we offer our prayers for the church, for people in need, and for all of creation. *Hear us, O God,* **Your mercy is great.**

Congregational refrain: "Bless the Lord, My Soul"



We bring to you, Christ, members and friends of Emmanuel who need your healing touch.

(Names from our congregation...)

Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. **Amen.**

Congregational refrain: ""Bless the Lord, My Soul""

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ. The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

During this time, the table is set.

OFFERTORY Trust and Obey arr. Larson (7:45) Organ (9:30) Emmanuel Choir (11:00) Emmanuel Ensemble Ken Wistrom, conductor Bev Ranstrom, violinist

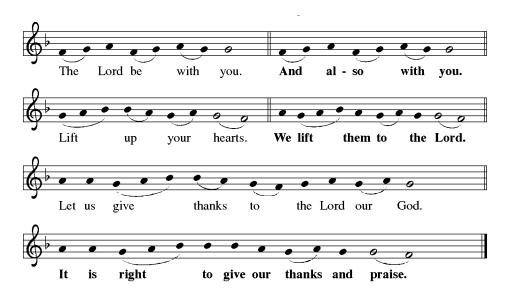
When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word, what a glory he sheds on our way! While we do his good will, he abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey. Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey. Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share, but our toil he doth richly repay; not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross, but is blest if we trust and obey. Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey. But we never can prove the delights of his love until all on the altar we lay; for the favor he shows, for the joy he bestows, are for them who will trust and obey. Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey. Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet, or we'll walk by his side in the way; what he says we will do, where he sends we will go; never fear, only trust and obey. Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

The assembly stands.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.
Generous God,
you feed us with the harvest of the land,
and you provide for our every need.
Receive our gifts of money, imagination, and labor,
and transform them into a feast that welcomes all,
in Jesus Christ, our host and our guest.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE



PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

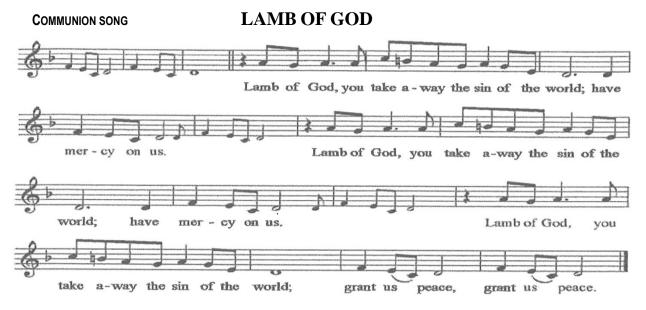
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has prepared the feast.

Come to the table where all are welcomed home.

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. and each person may respond Amen.



Setting by D&S Denisen

ASSEMBLY HYMNS:	On Eagle's Wings (based upon Psalm 91)	ELW 787
	One Bread, One Body	ELW 496
	Restore in Us, O God	ELW 328
	In Christ There Is No East or West	ELW 650

The assembly stands.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Tender and merciful one, at your feast, you fed us who brought nothing, turning our emptiness into joy. Filled with your abundant grace, send us now to be ministers of reconciliation, mending broken hearts, working for justice, and striving for peace among all people, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

BLESSING

God, who fills the creation with abundance, Christ, who spreads his arms in forgiveness, Holy Spirit, who draws ever near to us,

→ bless you and bring you to life everlasting.

Amen.

SENDING SONG: Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song ELW 808

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE I Will Praise Thee, O Lord My Strength Marcello

7:45 Service

Greeters: Marilyn Thomack and Rosy Myers Assisting Minister: Clayton Blomseth

Lector: *Melissa Schrader* Acolyte: *Ray Schrader*

Ushers: Gary & Marcia Piipponen, Rosy Myers, Marilyn Thomack

Altar Guild: Joyce O'Neill

AV: Alex Lyberg, Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Jayden Wampler (helper)

Hospitality: Kerstin Beitzel, Tish and Jim Gayeuski, Mike Maslowski, Maria Wigdahl

9:30 Service

Greeters: Dave & Kerstin Beitzel Assisting Minister: Tom Jackson

Lector: Jeff Heier Acolyte: Ann Berlam

Ushers: David & Janet Pedersen, John & Marit Granskog

Altar Guild: Bruce & Cheryl Carlson

AV: Alex Lyberg, Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Patricia Day (camera), Jayden Wampler (helper)

Hospitality: Kerstin Beitzel, Tish and Jim Gayeuski, Mike Maslowski, Maria Wigdahl

11:00 Service

Assisting Minister: Rick Boe Lector: Mitch Gemmer Acolyte: Maridee Boe

Ushers: Dick & Vera Hynes. Tom & Norine Petruzelli

Altar Guild: Diedre Milligan

AV: Alex Lyberg, Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Jayden Wampler (helper)

Hospitality: Kerstin Beitzel, Tish and Jim Gayeuski, Mike Maslowski, Maria Wigdahl



TODAY'S MUSIC



The Emmanuel Choir will be singing today at the 9:30 sanctuary service, and the Ensemble at the 11:00 service. The beloved hymn, *Trust and Obey,* was written by John H. Sammis in 1887. The meaning of this hymn is fairly self-explanatory, as Sammis illustrates the rewards of trusting God's word and obeying God's will. Many thanks to conductor Ken Wistrom, who is a member of the Emmanuel Choir, to violinist Bev Ranstrom, to pianist Joyce Finlay, and to the Emmanuel Choir for this beautiful musical offering.