

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Midweek Evening Prayer for the Season of Easter May 27, 2020

Rev. Jessica Hahn, Presiding Minister

During our "Stay Home. Stay Safe." orders, we will offer videos of Evening Prayer on Wednesdays each week to provide an opportunity to gather in prayer and worship as a community. Readings will be selected from within the current week's Daily Revised Common Lectionary or a commemoration for the day.

Commemoration of John Calvin, renewer of the church (July 10, 1509 - May 27, 1564)

Calvin was the leader of the second wave of the Protestant Reformation, influenced by Luther, though their theologies differ. Emphasizing the absolute sovereignty of God in life and into death, Calvin taught that humans are totally depraved without God's salvation. He rejected the use of art in church, and for hymns advocated only for the singing of versified psalms. He is regarded as the father of the Reformed churches.

SERVICE OF LIGHT





Text: Greek hymn, 3rd cent., para. Marty Haugen, b. 1950 Music: JOYOUS LIGHT, Marty Haugen

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EVENING THANKSGIVING





Let us sing our thanks to God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader Blessed are you, Creator of the universe, from old you have led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation.



PRAYER

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, we praise you for your servant John Calvin, through whom you have called the church to its tasks and renewed its life. Raise up in our own day teachers and prophets inspired by your Spirit, whose voices will give strength to your church and proclaim the reality of your reign, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,

⁵"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,

and before you were born I consecrated you;

I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

⁶Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." ⁷But the LORD said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy';

for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you.

⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD."

⁹Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth.

¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down,

to destroy and to overthrow,

to build and to plant."

P Word of God, Word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 46

¹God is our refuge and strength,

a very present help in trouble.

²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

³though its waters rage and foam,

and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;

God shall help it at the break of day.

⁶The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;

God speaks, and the earth melts away.

⁷The LORD of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

⁸Come now, regard the works of the LORD,

what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;

who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰"Be still, then, and know that I am God;

I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: Romans 12:9-21

⁹Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. ¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

P Word of God, Word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

REFLECTION

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HYMN

ELW #883 (paraphrase of Psalm 100) All People That on Earth Do Dwell All peo - ple that earth do dwell, sing the 1 on to 2 Know that the Lord is God in deed; with out our gates 3 Oh. en - ter then his with praise: ap proach with 4 For why? The Lord our God is good: his mer - cy 5 To Fa - ther, Son, God whom and Ho ly Ghost, the with Lord with cheer ful voice; him mirth, his serve aid he did make. We his folk. he us are praise, and his joy his courts to; laud, bless un is for his truth all times ev er sure; at heav'n and earth dore. from and from the us a 0 praise forth tell; ye be - fore him and joice. come re sheep he doth us feed, and for his doth take. us name al ways, for it is seem - ly so do. to shall from age firm ly stood, and to age en dure. an gel host be praise and glo - ry ev er more.

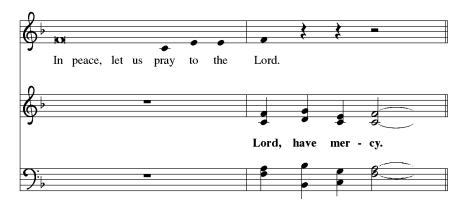
Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1594

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510-1561

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PRAYERS

The presiding minister will chant the prayers. Each petition will end, "let us pray to the Lord", and the congregation will respond by singing, "Lord, have mercy."



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the health of the creation, for abundant harvests that all may share, and for peaceful times, let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For public servants, the government, and those who protect us; for those who work to bring peace, justice, healing, and protection in this and every place, let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who travel, for those who are sick and suffering, and for those who are in captivity, let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For deliverance in the time of affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us | pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For John Calvin and all servants of the church, for the Presbyterian and Reformed churches, for the body of Christ united by the Spirit, and for all people who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all the prayers of our hearts, (especially those in need of strength and healing..., and those prayers we now lift up to you, either silently or aloud), let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. *A time of silence follows.*

Giving thanks for all who have gone before us and are at rest, rejoicing in the communion of all the saints, we commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to you, (the petition concludes as follows)



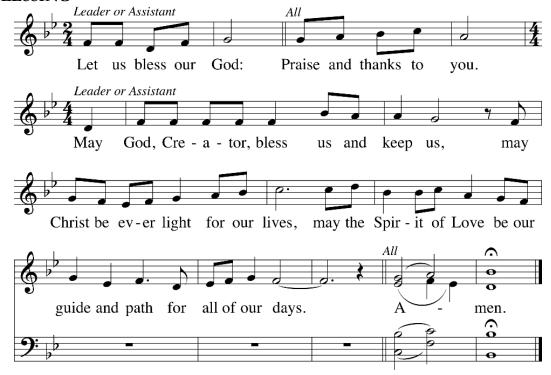
The prayers conclude:

- P O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

- P Lord, remember us in your love, and teach us to pray:
- C 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.

BLESSING



DISMISSAL

- P Let us go forth in peace.
- C Amen.

This service will be the last one in the series of midweek evening prayer.

Join us for virtual worship videos on Sundays, available on our website and Facebook page.



SERVING AT TRINITY

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