

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Midweek Evening Prayer for the Season of Easter May 13, 2020

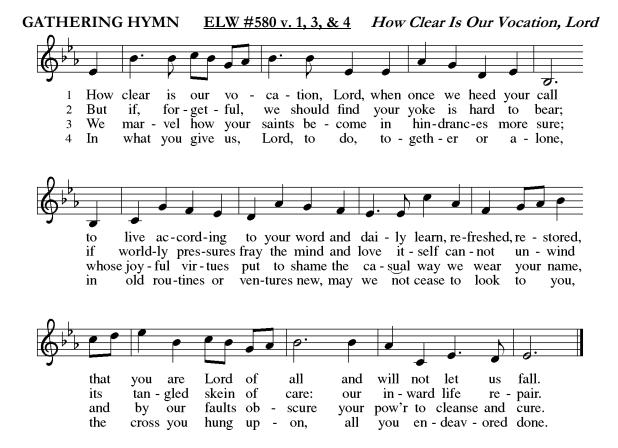
Rev. Jessica Hahn, Presiding Minister

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.

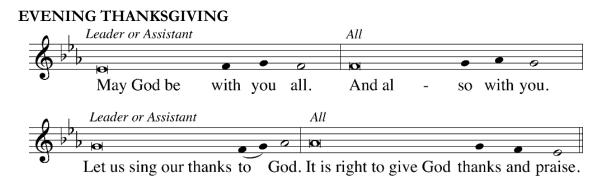
May 14th is the commemoration of Matthias, Apostle.

Matthias was the apostle added to the Twelve after Jesus' resurrection. The eleven cast lots to determine who would be the replacement for the dead Judas Iscariot. Matthias had traveled among the followers of Jesus throughout the Lord's ministry, and witnessed Christ's resurrection. The Bible records nothing else about him. The gathered Christians believed that God controlled the casting of lots.

SERVICE OF LIGHT Leader or Assistant Jesus Christ, you are the light the world, of All• 0 the light no darkness can ver - come. 0 Leader or Assistant 0 ю Stay with us now, for is it evening, All Leader or Assistant O O and the day is al - most over. Let your light scat-ter the darkness, All and shine within your peo-ple here.



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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, you chose your faithful servant Matthias to be numbered among the twelve. Grant that your church may always be taught and guided by faithful and true pastors, through Jesus Christ our shepherd, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit READING: Acts 1:15-26

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶"Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ¹⁸(Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness; and falling headlong, he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹This became known to all the residents of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their language Hakeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰"For it is written in the book of Psalms,

Let his homestead become desolate,

and let there be no one to live in it';

and

'Let another take his position of overseer.'

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

P Word of God, Word of life. C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Luke 6:12-16

¹²During those days [Jesus] went out to the mountain to pray; and he spent the night in prayer to God. ¹³And when day came, he called his disciples and chose twelve of them, whom he also named apostles: ¹⁴Simon, whom he named Peter, and his brother Andrew, and James, and John, and Philip, and Bartholomew, ¹⁵and Matthew, and Thomas, and James son of Alphaeus, and Simon, who was called the Zealot, ¹⁶and Judas son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

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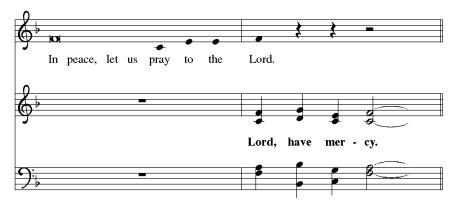
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Stand PRAYERS

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 $^{\rm |}$ 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.**

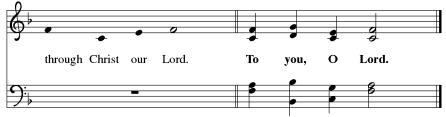
For deliverance in the time of affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us $^{+}$ pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For Matthias and all servants of the church, 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 ¹ 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 Leader or Assistant All4 0 Let us bless our God: Praise and thanks to you. Leader or Assistant May God, Cre - a - tor, bless us and keep us, may 0. Christ be ev-er light for our lives, may the Spir - it of Love be our All $\mathbf{\hat{}}$ θ ο guide and path for all of our days. men. А $\hat{\mathbf{o}}$ 0

DISMISSAL

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



SERVING AT TRINITY

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