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**GIVE THANKS  
TO THE LORD,  
FOR HE IS GOOD;  
HIS LOVE ENDURES  
FOREVER.**

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# Welcome

to St. John Lutheran Church and our Contemporary Worship Service. We are so glad you have chosen to join us today and we pray your time with us will fill you with the love our Lord has for you.

May God bless your worship with us today,  
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***Compelled by the Love of Christ to Live, Learn, Share,  
and Serve'***

***Our Vision is to inspire the vibrant experience of  
Christian faith in our community, to all  
generations, wherever they may be'***

## Third Sunday in Lent

## A Time of Preparation

### Prelude

### "Indescribable"

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea  
Creation's revealing Your majesty  
From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring  
Ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings All exclaiming  
Indescribable uncontainable You placed the stars in the sky  
And You know them by name You are amazing God  
All powerful untamable Awestruck we fall to our knees  
As we humbly proclaim You are amazing God  
Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go  
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow  
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light  
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night None can fathom  
Indescribable uncontainable You placed the stars in the sky  
And You know them by name You are amazing God  
Incomparable unchangeable  
You see the depths of my heart and You love me the same  
You are amazing God

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## Welcome, Sharing of the Peace and Call To Worship

### Opening Song

### "Me on Your Mind"

I've read the words in red How You leave the ninety-nine  
To find the one missing Feels like that was written  
With me on Your mind  
And the prodigal son who ran Leaving his home behind  
The part where the father came Running to meet him  
Did You say that with me on Your mind  
Who am I that the king of the world

Would give one single thought about my broken heart  
Who am I that the God of all grace Wipes the tears from my face  
And says come as you are  
You paid the price You took the cross You gave Your life  
And You did it all With me on Your mind  
Me on Your mind

Just knowing You're mindful of me  
Just knowing You call me Your child  
It's flooding my soul With unspeakable hope  
Thank you Lord that it's me on Your mind

Who am I that the king of the world  
Would give one single thought about my broken heart  
Who am I that the God of all grace Wipes the tears from my face  
And says come as you are  
You paid the price You took the cross You gave Your life  
And You did it all With me on Your mind  
It was me on Your mind Oh thank You Jesus  
Lord it was me on Your mind

I've read the words in red Of a heavenly home on high  
You're preparing a place where the sorrow's erased  
And when I stand before You I'll find  
All along it was me on Your mind

Who am I that the king of the world  
Would give one single thought about my broken heart  
Who am I that the God of all grace Wipes the tears from my face  
And says come as you are  
You paid the price You took the cross You gave Your life  
And You did it all With me on Your mind  
With me on Your mind oh It was me on Your mind

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# Confession and Forgiveness

## Song of Praise

## “How Great is Our God”

### How Great is Our God

The splendor of a King, Clothed in majesty.  
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.  
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide.  
It trembles at His voice, trembles at His voice.

How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God!  
And all will see how great, how great is our God!

And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands.  
Beginning and the end, Beginning and the End.  
The God-head, Three in One, Father, Spirit, Son,  
The Lion and the Lamb, Lion and the Lamb.

How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God!  
And all will see how great, how great is our God!

Name above all names, worthy of all praise.  
My heart will sing: How great is our God!

How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God!  
And all will see how great, how great is our God!

How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God!  
And all will see how great, how great is our God!

## First Reading

Exodus 20:1-17

<sup>1</sup> And God spoke all these words, saying, <sup>2</sup> “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. <sup>3</sup> “You shall have no other gods before me. <sup>4</sup> “You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup> You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup> but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. <sup>7</sup> “You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. <sup>8</sup> “Remember the

Sabbath day, to keep it holy.<sup>9</sup> Six days you shall labor, and do all your work,<sup>10</sup> but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates.<sup>11</sup> For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.<sup>12</sup> "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you."<sup>13</sup> "You shall not murder."<sup>14</sup> "You shall not commit adultery."<sup>15</sup> "You shall not steal."<sup>16</sup> "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor."<sup>17</sup> "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Reading

John 2:13-22

<sup>13</sup> The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. <sup>15</sup> And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup> And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." <sup>17</sup> His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."<sup>18</sup> So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?" <sup>19</sup> Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." <sup>20</sup> The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" <sup>21</sup> But he was speaking about the temple of his body. <sup>22</sup> When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

## Children's Message

## Message Song

## "Gratitude"

All my words fall short I got nothing new  
How could I express All my gratitude

I could sing these songs As I often do  
But every song must end And You never do

So I throw up my hands And praise You again and again  
'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah hallelujah  
And I know it's not much But I've nothing else fit for a king  
Except for a heart singing Hallelujah hallelujah

I've got one response I've got just one move  
With my arms stretched wide I will worship You

So I throw up my hands And praise You again and again  
'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah hallelujah  
And I know it's not much But I've nothing else fit for a king  
Except for a heart singing Hallelujah hallelujah

Come on my soul oh don't you get shy on me  
Lift up your song 'Cause you've got a lion inside of those lungs  
Get up and praise the Lord

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## Message

## “Props”

## Offering

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## Prayer of the Church

### Lord's Prayer

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom 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

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C Amen.**

### Sending Song

### “We Praise You”

Let praise be a weapon that silences the enemy  
Let praise be a weapon that conquers all anxiety  
Let it rise let praise arise

We sing Your name in the dark And it changes ev'rything  
We sing with all we are and we claim Your victory  
Let it rise let praise arise

We'll see you break down ev'ry wall We'll watch the giants fall  
For fear cannot survive when we praise You  
The God of breakthrough's on our side Forever lift Him high  
With all creation cry God we praise You Oh we praise You oh  
Let faith be the song That overcomes the raging sea

Let faith be the song That calms the storm inside of me  
Let it rise let faith arise

We'll see you break down ev'ry wall We'll watch the giants fall  
For fear cannot survive when we praise You  
The God of breakthrough's on our side Forever lift Him high  
With all creation cry God we praise You

Oh we praise You oh we praise You Oh we praise You oh we praise You

This is what living looks like This is what freedom feels like  
This is what Heaven sounds like We praise You We praise You

This is what living looks like This is what freedom feels like  
This is what Heaven sounds like We praise You We praise You

We'll see you break down ev'ry wall We'll watch the giants fall  
For fear cannot survive when we praise You The God of breakthrough's on our  
side Forever lift You high  
With all creation cry God we praise You

Oh we praise You oh we praise You Oh we praise You oh give Him all your praise