



# honest repentance

## *Peace Lutheran Church*

### **"Peace Through Christ"**

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### **EVENING PRAYER**

March 6, 2024

*Leader:*

Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world;

*All:*

the light no darkness can o - ver - come;

*Leader:*

Stay with us now, for it is evening,

*All:*

and the day is al - most over.

*Leader:*

Let your light scat - ter the darkness,

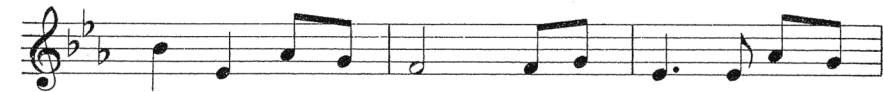
*All:*

and shine within your peo-ple here. —

**SERVICE OF LIGHT “Joyous Light”**



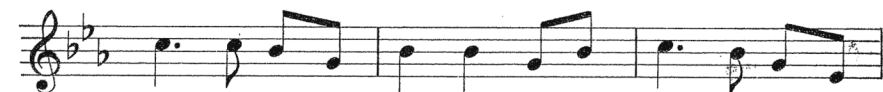
1. Joy-ous light of heav-'nly glo - ry, lov - ing  
 2. In the stars that grace the dark - ness, in the  
 3. You who made the heav-en's splen - dor, ev -'ry



glow of God's own face, you who sing cre - a - tion's  
 blaz - ing sun of dawn, in the light of peace and  
 danc - ing star of night, make us shine with gen - tle



sto - ry, shine on ev 'ry land and race. Now as  
 wis - dom, we can hear your qui - et song. Love that  
 jus - tice, let us each re - flect your light. Might - y



eve - ning falls a - round us, we shall raise our songs to  
 fills the night with won - der, love that warms the wea - ry  
 God of all cre - a - tion, gen - tle Christ who lights our



you, God of day - break, God of shad - ows, come and  
 soul, Love that bursts all chains a - sun - der, set us  
 way, Lov - ing Spir - it of sal - va - tion, lead us



light our hearts a - new. \_\_\_\_\_  
 free and make us whole. \_\_\_\_\_  
 on to end - less day. \_\_\_\_\_

**COLLECT**

Pastor: 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.

**People: Amen**

*(Please be seated)*

**PSALM.** ..... *Psalm 106:1-13, 44-48*

Pastor: Praise the LORD!  
 Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
 for his steadfast love endures forever!

**People: Who can utter the mighty deeds of the LORD,  
 or declare all his praise?**

Pastor: Blessed are they who observe justice,  
 who do righteousness at all times!

**People: Remember me, O LORD, when you show favor to  
 your people;  
 help me when you save them,**

Pastor: that I may look upon the prosperity of your chosen ones,  
 that I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation,  
 that I may glory with your inheritance.

**People: Both we and our fathers have sinned;  
 we have committed iniquity; we have done  
 wickedness.**

Pastor: Our fathers, when they were in Egypt,  
 did not consider your wondrous works;  
 they did not remember the abundance of your steadfast  
 love, but rebelled by the sea, at the Red Sea.

**People: Yet he saved them for his name's sake,  
 that he might make known his mighty power.**

Pastor: He rebuked the Red Sea, and it became dry,  
and he led them through the deep as through a desert.

**People: So he saved them from the hand of the foe  
and redeemed them from the power of the enemy.**

Pastor: And the waters covered their adversaries;  
not one of them was left.

**People: Then they believed his words;  
they sang his praise.**

Pastor: But they soon forgot his works;  
they did not wait for his counsel.

**People: Nevertheless, he looked upon their distress,  
when he heard their cry.**

Pastor: For their sake he remembered his covenant,  
and relented according to the abundance of his steadfast  
love.

**People: He caused them to be pitied  
by all those who held them captive.**

Pastor: Save us, O LORD our God,  
and gather us from among the nations,  
that we may give thanks to your holy name  
and glory in your praise.

**People: Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel,  
from everlasting to everlasting!  
And let all the people say, "Amen!"  
Praise the LORD!**

### PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray.  
Lord Jesus Christ, we implore You to hear our  
prayers and to lighten the darkness of our hearts by  
Your gracious visitation: for You live and reign with  
the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and  
forever.

**People: Amen**

### HYMN

### "Beautiful Savior"



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion, Son of  
2 Fair are the mead - ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in  
3 Fair is the sun - shine, Fair is the moon - light, Bright the  
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions, Son of



God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd  
flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is  
spar - kling stars on high; Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines  
God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o -



serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
pur - er, He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.  
pur - er Than all the an - gels in the sky.  
ra - tion Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine!

Text: Münsterisch Gesangbuch, 1677, Münster; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823-1904  
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### OLD TESTAMENT READING . . . . . Daniel 3

**3** King Nebuchadnezzar made an image of gold, whose height was sixty cubits and its breadth six cubits. He set it up on the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon. **2** Then King Nebuchadnezzar sent to gather the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the justices, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces to come to the dedication of the image that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. **3** Then the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the justices, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces gathered for the dedication of the image that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. And they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up. **4** And the herald proclaimed aloud, "You are commanded, O peoples, nations, and languages, **5** that when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, bagpipe, and every kind of music, you are to fall down and worship the golden image that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up. **6** And whoever does not fall down and worship shall immediately be cast into a burning fiery furnace." **7** Therefore, as soon as all the peoples heard the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, bagpipe, and every kind of music,

all the peoples, nations, and languages fell down and worshiped the golden image that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. <sup>8</sup> Therefore at that time certain Chaldeans came forward and maliciously accused the Jews. <sup>9</sup> They declared to King Nebuchadnezzar, "O king, live forever! <sup>10</sup> You, O king, have made a decree, that every man who hears the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, bagpipe, and every kind of music, shall fall down and worship the golden image. <sup>11</sup> And whoever does not fall down and worship shall be cast into a burning fiery furnace. <sup>12</sup> There are certain Jews whom you have appointed over the affairs of the province of Babylon: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. These men, O king, pay no attention to you; they do not serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up." <sup>13</sup> Then Nebuchadnezzar in furious rage commanded that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego be brought. So they brought these men before the king. <sup>14</sup> Nebuchadnezzar answered and said to them, "Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the golden image that I have set up? <sup>15</sup> Now if you are ready when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, bagpipe, and every kind of music, to fall down and worship the image that I have made, well and good. But if you do not worship, you shall immediately be cast into a burning fiery furnace. And who is the god who will deliver you out of my hands?" <sup>16</sup> Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego answered and said to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. <sup>17</sup> If this be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of your hand, O king. <sup>18</sup> But if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up." <sup>19</sup> Then Nebuchadnezzar was filled with fury, and the expression of his face was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. He ordered the furnace heated seven times more than it was usually heated. <sup>20</sup> And he ordered some of the mighty men of his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, and to cast them into the burning fiery furnace. <sup>21</sup> Then these men were bound in their cloaks, their tunics, their hats, and their other garments, and they were thrown into the burning fiery furnace. <sup>22</sup> Because the king's order was urgent and the furnace overheated, the flame of the fire killed those men who took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. <sup>23</sup> And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell bound into the burning fiery furnace. <sup>24</sup> Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished and rose up in haste. He declared to his counselors, "Did we not cast three men bound into the fire?" They answered and said to the king, "True, O king." <sup>25</sup> He answered and said, "But I see four men unbound, walking in the midst of the fire, and they are not hurt; and the appearance of the fourth is like a son of the gods." <sup>26</sup> Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the door of the burning fiery furnace; he declared, "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, servants of the Most High God,

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come out, and come here!" Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego came out from the fire. <sup>27</sup> And the satraps, the prefects, the governors, and the king's counselors gathered together and saw that the fire had not had any power over the bodies of those men. The hair of their heads was not singed, their cloaks were not harmed, and no smell of fire had come upon them. <sup>28</sup> Nebuchadnezzar answered and said, "Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who has sent his angel and delivered his servants, who trusted in him, and set aside <sup>29</sup> the king's command, and yielded up their bodies rather than serve and worship any god except their own God. <sup>29</sup> Therefore I make a decree: Any people, nation, or language that speaks anything against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego shall be torn limb from limb, and their houses laid in ruins, for there is no other god who is able to rescue in this way." <sup>30</sup> Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the province of Babylon.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## CHOIR

**" Our Father God, Who Is In Heaven"**

**+WORD+**

**PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST**

Drawn from the Four Gospels

Part 3: The Palace of the High Priest

*(After the Reading)*

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**HYMN**

**“O Blessed Spring”**



1 O bless-ed spring, where Word and sign Em - brace us  
 2 Through sum-mer heat of youth-ful years, Un - cer - tain  
 3 When au-tumn cools and youth is cold, When limbs their  
 4 As win - ter comes, as win - ters must, We breathe our  
 5 Christ, ho - ly Vine, Christ, liv - ing Tree, Be praised for



in - to Christ the Vine: Here Christ en - joins each one to  
 faith, re - bel - lious tears, Sus - tained by Christ's in - fus - ing  
 heav - y har - vest hold, Then through us, warm, the Christ will  
 last, re - turn to dust; Still held in Christ, our souls take  
 this blest mys - ter - y: That Word and wa - ter thus re -



be A branch of this life - giv - ing Tree.  
 rain, The boughs will shout for joy a - gain.  
 move With gifts of beau - ty, wis - dom, love.  
 wing And trust the prom - ise of the spring.  
 vive And join us to Your Tree of Life.

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**MESSAGE**

**Honest Repentance:  
Purification (Fiery Furnace)**

*Daniel 3*

*Pastor Ernie Jeong*

*(Moorpark)*

**OFFERING**

(Please sign and fill out the fellowship book and pass it down your pew. When finished, pass it back down your pew to the center aisle seat and the ushers will pick it up after the service.)

*(Please Stand)*

**LITANY**

**Pastor:** The Lord has not dealt with us according to our sins:

**People:** **The Lord has not punished us according to our iniquities.**

**Pastor:** Lord God Almighty, You do not fail to hear the sighs of the contrite nor disregard the longing of troubled hearts; Behold our prayer which we bring before You in our need and graciously hear us, so that all that strives against us of both the devil and men may come to nought and be scattered by Your good counsel, to the end, that, unharmed by all temptation, we may thank You with Your Church and praise You at all times; through Jesus Christ Your Son, our Lord.

**People:** **Amen**

**Pastor:** We have sinned with our fathers:

**People:** **We have committed iniquity, we have done wickedly.**

**Pastor:** Lord God, You take no pleasure in the death of poor sinners and would not willingly let them perish, but desire that they should turn from their ways and live: We heartily pray that You would avert the punishment that we have deserved by our sins, and tenderly grant us Your boundless mercy that we may walk in newness of life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord.

**People:** **Amen**

**Pastor:** Yet the Lord's anger is but for a moment:

**People:** **His pleasure endures for life.**

Pastor: O God, whose nature is always to have mercy and to forgive: Receive our humble petition; and, although we are tied and bound by the heavy chain of our sins, let the mighty pity of Your great mercy free us, to the honor of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate.

**People: Amen**

### COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray together.

**People: I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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.**

### THE BENEDICAMUS

Pastor: Bless we the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### BENEDICTION

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**People: Amen**



## CLOSING HYMN

### “God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven”



1 God, who made the earth and heav - en, Dark - ness and light:  
2 And when morn a - gain shall call us To run life's way,  
3 Guard us wak - ing, guard us sleep - ing, And when we die,  
△ 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, throned in heav - en, All - ho - ly Son,



You the day for work have giv - en, For rest the night. May Your  
May we still, what - e'er be - fall us, Your will o - bey. From the  
May we in Your might - y keep - ing All peace - ful lie. When the  
Ho - ly Spir - it, free - ly giv - en, Blest Three in One: Grant us



an - gel guards de - fend us, Slum - ber sweet Your mer - cy send us,  
pow'r of e - vil hide us, In the nar - row path - way guide us,  
last dread call shall wake us, Then, O Lord, do not for - sake us,  
grace, we now im - plore You, Till we lay our crowns be - fore You



Ho - ly dreams and hopes at - tend us All through the night.  
Nev - er be Your smile de - nied us All through the day.  
But to reign in glo - ry take us With You on high.  
And in wor - thier strains a - dore You While a - ges run.

Text (st. 1): Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt.; (sts. 2, 4): William Mercer, 1811–73, alt.; (st. 3): Richard Whately, 1787–1863, alt.  
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## *Lent & Easter Schedule*

### Soup Suppers (6:00 pm) ~ Lenten Services (7:00 pm)

- Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2024 - Guest Preacher,  
Pastor Ben Mai
- Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2024 - Guest Preacher,  
Pastor Paul Koch
- Wednesday, March 6, 2024 - Guest Preacher,  
Pastor Ernie Jeong
- Wednesday, March 13, 2024 - Guest Preacher,  
Pastor Matt Nolte
- Wednesday, March 20, 2024 - Guest Preacher,  
Pastor Eric Mettala

### **Palm Sunday, March 24**

- 9:00am Traditional Worship  
11:00am Traditional Worship

### **Maundy Thursday, March 28**

7:00 pm

Worship Service with Holy Communion

### **Good Friday, March 29**

- 12:00 noon Service of Reflection and Remembrance  
7:00 pm Tenebrae Service of Darkness

