

Created for Community: Lent Mid-Week Series

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Virtual Bulletin

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Theme of the Week – Community with Creation

Each week we will be using the Holden Evening Prayer during our mid-week Lent services. Also included is the Reading of the Day along with a hymn we will be using.

READING: Genesis 1:26-31

²⁶Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

²⁷So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

²⁸God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." ²⁹God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

SERMON HYMN

This Is My Father's World

ELW 824

1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears all
 2 This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car-ols raise; the
 3 This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for-get that,

na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
 morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their mak - er's praise.
 though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet.

This is my Fa - ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
 This is my Fa - ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
 This is my Fa - ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The

rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won - ders wrought.
 rus - tling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev-'ry-where.
 Lord is king, let heav - en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858–1901
 Music: TERRA PATRIS, Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852–1930, adapt.

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Join us this Wednesday at 7 pm for our Virtual Worship via Zoom!
You may also join us on Facebook Live. We look forward to seeing your faces and worshipping together!

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/95007590439?pwd=M2NmMUZCZzhMOUY0SG8xeHpzcU5RUT09>
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Mark Your 2022 Calendar	
Wednesdays in March & April 6	Mid-Week Lent Service Virtual & In-Person
April 10th	Palm Sunday
April 14th	Maundy Thursday
April 15th	Good Friday
April 17th	Easter Sunday

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This year we are challenging the congregation and friends to participate in our **Chapter a Day Bible Challenge**. We are reading the New Testament 6 days a week for a few months, then will transition to 5 days a week, in order to be done this year. The gospel will be spread throughout the year. We encourage you to get together with a small group to talk about what you’ve read for the week. Share your progress and get others involved! Check out the separate links for an Introduction page and informational pages about the books of Hebrews and James. Share the link with family and friends!! Also be sure to watch Pastor Zach’s videos on Facebook each week with details about the reading for the week. This week we are continuing the book of Hebrews and starting the book of James on Saturday the 19th.

Join us on Wednesdays during Lent for a new **spiritual practice**! At 5 PM in the Chapel we will be exploring 2 different spiritual practices, Lectio Davina and Centering Prayer. Come and find out about either or both by joining us in the Chapel!

Our Community Ministries team is asking for **oranges** to be donated for the Food Shelf for this month’s service project. The oranges can be from your own tree or purchased. We’d love everyone to donate at least 1 bag of oranges this month so everyone can enjoy some fresh oranges! Contact the office to drop them off during the week or bring them on Saturday morning directly to the Food Shelf between 9:30 & 11:30 AM.

If you are looking to help the folks in **Ukraine**, **Lutheran World Relief** (lwr.org) and **Lutheran Disaster Response** (through elca.org) are collecting donations for relief efforts. You can donate directly to them on their websites or put a check in the offering plate or send to the church office and put ‘Lutheran World Relief’ on the memo line, and we’ll make sure the monies get sent along.



As we have resumed services in the sanctuary, we ask that you follow these guidelines to ensure safety for everyone.

1. We ask that everyone wear a mask while in the sanctuary, including during worshipping and singing.
2. We will enter the church through the glass doors on Hill Avenue.
3. There will be a 1-way flow in the church: we enter through the center doors of the narthex and exit the church down the side aisles. If you need to leave during the service, exit down the side aisles and return down the center aisle.
4. Upon entering the narthex, you will receive hand sanitizer and a smile from the volunteer at the door.
5. You may leave your offering in the plate inside the narthex.

If you have any questions, please see one of our happy volunteers on the front patio, in the narthex, or in the sanctuary. As we transition from virtual to in person worship, we appreciate your help in continuing to wear masks for the time being, with the health and safety of all in mind. As Pastor Zach said, this isn't forever!

The service will still be available on Zoom and Facebook Live for those who prefer to remain at home. If you have questions, please let our church office know. We look forward to actually seeing you at church!