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what i need

**THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2026

# Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

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## Exactly What I Need . . . Water

*Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.”* We know that keeping little children occupied for an entire church service can be a challenge. Don’t worry; most of those worshipping around you have been in your shoes at one time. If you feel that you need to take your child out of church at any time, we have a Children’s Room to the right as you exit the worship area. The first parking space in front of church is designated for **expectant mothers and families with small children**.

**Restrooms** are located to your left as you exit the worship area. There are **changing tables in both restrooms**.

**LARGE PRINT** copies of worship materials are available from the ushers. If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to ask an usher.

## SERVING IN WORSHIP

**Presiding Minister**

Pastor Aaron Winkelman

**Preacher**

Pastor Collin Vanderhoof

**Organist**

David Porth

**Instrumentalists**

Anthony Faust, Dominic Faust, Lilah Gunderson,  
Noel Iles, Madelynn Justman, Elliana Lyon,  
Nathan Schwartz, Elise Weber, JJ Weber

# Service of the Word

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## Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain

CW 394



1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, sin - ners, ru - ined  
2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean - ness, come de - filed, with -  
3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, wound - ed, par - a -  
4 They that drink shall live for - ev - er; 'tis a soul - re -



by the fall; here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain  
out, with - in; from in - fec - tion and un - clean - ness,  
lyzed, and blind; here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,  
new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er



flows to you, to me, to all, in a full, per -  
from the lep - ro - sy of sin, wash your robes and  
here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain  
break his cov - e - nant of blood, signed when our Re -



pet - ual tide, o - pened when our Sav - ior died.  
make them white; you shall walk with God in light.  
will re - store; they that drink shall thirst no more.  
deem - er died, sealed when he was glo - ri - fied.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854, alt. Tune: Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887 Text and tune: Public domain

Stand

## Invocation

The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**And also with you.**

## Confession of Sins

We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

**Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

Amen.

## Prayer and Praise

In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are  
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -  
ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -  
ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -  
ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.  
Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Be seated*

## First Reading

*Exodus 17:1–7*

<sup>1</sup>The whole Israelite community set out from the Desert of Sin, traveling from place to place as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. <sup>2</sup>So they quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.”

Moses replied, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you put the LORD to the test?”

<sup>3</sup>But the people were thirsty for water there, and they grumbled against Moses. They said, “Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to make us and our children and livestock die of thirst?”

<sup>4</sup>Then Moses cried out to the LORD, “What am I to do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me.”

<sup>5</sup>The LORD answered Moses, “Go out in front of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. <sup>6</sup>I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink.” So Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel. <sup>7</sup>And he called the place Massah and Meribah because the Israelites quarreled and because they tested the LORD saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Choir Anthem

*Come Find His Rest*

## Second Reading

Romans 5:1-8

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; <sup>4</sup>perseverance, character; and character, hope. <sup>5</sup>And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. <sup>8</sup>But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Stand

### For All the Faithful Women

CW 893 sts. 1, 10



1 For all the faith - ful wom - en who served in days of old,  
2 Re - call the out - cast wom - an with whom the Lord con - versed;



to you shall thanks be giv - en; to all, their sto - ry told.  
Christ gave her liv - ing wa - ter to quench her deep - est thirst.



They served with strength and glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave;  
Like hers, our hearts are yearn - ing; Christ of - fers us his Word.



to you their lives bore wit - ness, pro - claimed your pow'r to save.  
Then may our lips be burn - ing to wit - ness to our Lord.

## Gospel Reading

John 4:5–26

<sup>5</sup>So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup>Jacob’s well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.

<sup>7</sup>When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, “Will you give me a drink?” <sup>8</sup>(His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)

<sup>9</sup>The Samaritan woman said to him, “You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?” (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.)

<sup>10</sup>Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.”

<sup>11</sup>“Sir,” the woman said, “you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? <sup>12</sup>Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his livestock?”

<sup>13</sup>Jesus answered, “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup>but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”

<sup>15</sup>The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water so that I won’t get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water.”

<sup>16</sup>He told her, “Go, call your husband and come back.” <sup>17</sup>“I have no husband,” she replied. Jesus said to her, “You are right when you say you have no husband. <sup>18</sup>The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true.” <sup>19</sup>“Sir,” the woman said, “I can see that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup>Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem.” <sup>21</sup>“Woman,” Jesus replied, “believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. <sup>22</sup>You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup>Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. <sup>24</sup>God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.” <sup>25</sup>The woman said, “I know that Messiah” (called Christ) “is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us.” <sup>26</sup>Then Jesus declared, “I, the one speaking to you—I am he.”

The Gospel of the Lord.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

*Be seated*

# I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

CW 703



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;  
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give  
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light.



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."  
the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."  
Look un - to me; your morn shall rise and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;  
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;  
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.  
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.  
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav - ling days are done.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808–1889, alt. Tune: English; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958, alt. Text and tune: Public domain

## Sermon

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## **The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Be seated*

## Offering

Offering boxes are available in the back of church. If you wish to give an electronic offering, you may use the QR code located at the end of the bulletin or you may go to [pilgrimcares.org/giving](http://pilgrimcares.org/giving). We present the offerings before the altar as a reminder that our giving overflows out of the Gospel and is itself an act of worship.

## Offering Hymn

CW 748 st. 1



1 Broth - ers, sis - ters, let us glad - ly give to God our all, our  
best: ser - vice heart - y, thor - ough, hon - est, with a  
liv - ing love im - pressed. All our du - ty, all our  
striv - ing, all our time to him be - long; praise him,  
then, with true de - vo - tion, come be - fore him with a song.

Text: Henry Bateman, 1802–1872 Tune: Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, Harrisburg, 1813, ed. John Wyeth Text and tune: Public domain

## Prayer of the Church

Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to free us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.

**We confess that without your love we are lost.**

Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

**Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.**

Guard and guide those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and values as Christians.

**By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.**

Keep in your care those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, and those victimized by war and injustice. Comfort all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.

**Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.**

Watch over those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.

**Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.**

Hear us as we pray in silence.

Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

## Preserve Your Word, O Savior

CW 874



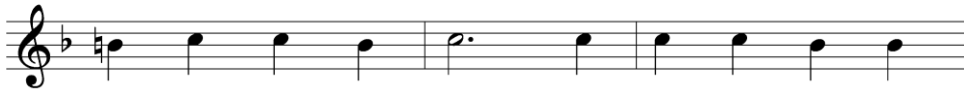
1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, to us this lat - ter  
2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, the truth that makes us  
3 Pre - serve in wave and tem - pest your storm-tossed lit - tle



day, and let your king - dom flour - ish; en - large your  
whole, the mir - ror of your glo - ry, the pow'r that  
flock; as - sailed by wind and weath - er, may it en -



Church, we pray. O keep our faith from fail - ing, keep  
saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, this  
dure each shock. Come take the helm, our pi - lot, and



hope's bright star a - glow; let noth - ing turn us  
spring of heav'n - ly grace, sus - tain us while here  
set the course a - right; then we will reach the



from you while wan-d'ring here be - low.  
liv - ing un - til we see your face.  
har - bor in your e - ter - nal light.

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## Closing Prayer

O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## The Benediction

Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.



Be seated

# Glorious Things of You Are Spoken

CW 857



1 Glo - rious things of you are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y  
 2 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e -  
 3 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - ring, see the cloud and  
 4 Sav - ior, since of Zi - on's cit - y I thro' grace a



of our God; he whose word can - not be bro - ken formed you  
 ter - nal love, well sup - ply your sons and daugh - ters and all  
 fire ap - pear for a glo - ry and a cov - ring, show - ing  
 mem - ber am, let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will



for his own a - bode. On the Rock of A - ges found - ed,  
 fear of want re - move. Who can faint while such a riv - er  
 that the Lord is near. Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner  
 glo - ry in your name. Fad - ing are the world's vain plea - sures,



what can shake your sure re - pose? With sal - va - tion's  
 ev - er will their thirst as - suage? Grace which, like the  
 light by night and shade by day, safe they feed up -  
 all their boast - ed pomp and show; sol - id joys and



walls sur - round - ed, you may smile at all your foes.  
 Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.  
 on the man - na which God gives them on their way.  
 last - ing trea - sures none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt. Tune: Franz Joseph Haydn, 1732–1809 Text and tune: Public domain

## News & Notes

**Flower are given to the glory of God** by Nancy Abel in celebration of the birthdays of her Mother, Caroline and her Mother in law, Dorothy.

**Building Project Update** The Building Steering Committee will host an informational meeting to provide an update on the church building project on Sunday, March 15. The meetings will take place in the Gathering Space, with two session times available: 9:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Please plan to attend one of these sessions to hear the latest developments and next steps.

**Easter flowers are available to purchase!** The order form is included and also available on the shelf in the back of church.

**All women of Pilgrim are invited to attend the LWMS Rally on Saturday, April 25**, at Garden Homes Lutheran Church (2450 W. Roosevelt Drive, Milwaukee) from 8 A.M. until noon. Pilgrim belongs to the Milwaukee Metro-North Circuit of LWMS. So, if you are a member of Pilgrim Lutheran Church, you are a member of LWMS (Lutheran Women's Missionary Society). The morning begins with a delicious breakfast, followed by an opening devotion and a short business meeting. The guest speaker is Pastor Philip Hunter from Citrus Grove Lutheran Church, a mission congregation in Wesley Chapel, Florida. There is no cost to attend, but a freewill offering will be collected. We will plan to carpool from church. If you'd like more information or encouragement, talk to Joan Meier or Irene Lape.

**Youth Night at KML on Friday, March 13, from 7:00–9:00 PM**, students from our area will gather for an evening centered on the theme **“The Fear of Failure”** The night will include music, worship, games, food, encouragement from God’s Word, and time to connect with other young people who share their faith. The event is free and designed to be welcoming, uplifting, and Christ-centered. Register with the QR Code.



**The WELS Bargain Center** at 8401 W. Lisbon Ave. in Milwaukee continues to benefit the Point of Grace, Lighthouse Youth Centers and Wisconsin Lutheran institutional ministries. This month each recipient will receive \$2400. Our sales continued to be blessed . However, road construction for a roundabout has started on our corner. Our donations and inventory are low. We need your help of gently used clothing, household items, yard equipment and all holiday decor. You will be able to get to our site just be patient. This will last throughout the construction season. Thank you. Please follow us on Facebook. Bargain Center, WELS thrift store on Lisbon.

**WELS YOUTH NIGHT Talking with God** A Night of Prayer for Teens at Victory Church, in Franklin, April 19. 6-7:30. Food. Worship. Teaching. Friendship. Register at [victoryofthelamb.com/victory-teens/](http://victoryofthelamb.com/victory-teens/). All middle and high school students are welcome to attend. Please reach out to Pastor Ben Sadler with any questions [bsadler@victoryofthelamb.com](mailto:bsadler@victoryofthelamb.com)

8:00am

10:30am

**Ushers**

3-8

Glen Kuphall  
Scott Tyriver

Jim Prekop  
Mark Murphy

3-15

Phill Lepple  
Jason Wetzel

Bryan Giesenschlag  
Paul Arnhold

Wednesday evening ushers are Patrick Renner and Jason Marten.

**Worship Hosts**

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Joe & Marlene Bedalov

Joe & Marlene Bedalov

3-15

Pete & Amy Kuske

Peggy Haas & Carol Bradtke



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Service of the Word

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# My Worship Notes

Name \_\_\_\_\_

What is the name of the church season or special day today?

What is the color of the church today? Circle one: Blue White Purple Red Green

The sermon text was:

This is in the:  Old Testament  New Testament



What is the sermon about?

Did we have a Sacrament today?



Baptism?

- Yes  
 No



Communion?

- Yes  
 No

My favorite song today was:

What did you learn about God today?

Draw a picture of something you heard or saw today:

What are you thankful for today?

## Worship Schedule for the Lenten Season

Ash Wednesday – (2/18)	3:30pm & 6:30pm
Midweek Lenten Services – (2/25 – 3/25)	3:30pm & 6:30pm
Palm Sunday (3/29) –	9:30am in the Gym (One Service)
Holy Thursday (4/2) –	6:30pm with Communion
Good Friday (4/3) –	1:00pm (Seven Words from the Cross) 6:30pm (Tenebrae)
Easter Sunday (4/5) –	7:00am Dawn Service 8:30 & 10:00am Festival Service
No Worship Services on Wednesday 4/1	



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