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WELCOME

With God's grace, the faith community of All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church in Guelph Ontario welcomes you. Our doors are open to people of any age, gender identity, race, colour and sexual orientation. We welcome people facing physical or mental challenges, those suffering under addictions, single people and those in any loving partnered relationship. Our doors are open to people of uncertain faith or deep faith, from any or no religious tradition. All are truly welcome.

Acknowledgement of Territory

We are on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron / Neutral People. We honour the original ancestors of this land and also offer respect to our Haudenosaunee, Anishinabe, Mississauga and Metis neighbours. We give thanks for the First Peoples and all who have cared for the land and made it possible for us to be here today.

We welcome all children to our worship. We also have a child friendly space in the fellowship area at the back of the church. Drink boxes, activity bags and youth bulletins are in a basket near the entrance to the church. Please help yourself.

Communion: All are welcome.

We make available grape juice and gluten free bread. Please inform one of the Communion Servers that you wish to have one or both of these elements during the distribution of Communion.

Hymnbooks: Our community uses two hymnbooks. The (ELW) Evangelical Lutheran Worship has a cranberry cover and (CP) Common Praise has a blue cover. You will find either (ELW) or (CP) beside each hymn number to indicate which book we are singing from.

No Scents Makes Good Sense.

Members have indicated that they suffer discomfort from perfumes, hair spray, colognes and after-shave lotion. Please help us provide a scent-free environment

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Sunday, March 1, 2020.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude - Giver of the Perfect Gift (arr. Sherri Hansen)

Two minutes of silence will be observed after the Prelude

Confession and Forgiveness

We live as we were baptized in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit

In response to John the Baptist's call to repent and welcome the kingdom of heaven, we take this time to enter into the presence of God to reflect on our sin, personal and collective and to again welcome the forgiveness we have been given. (time for silence)

Gracious God:

We confess that we have turned away from you in thought, word and deed We confess that we have neglected to give thanks for and celebrate the gifts you have given to us We confess that we too often focus only on ourselves and our needs We confess that we have failed to be a church of welcome, hospitality, grace, love and forgiveness We confess that we have neglected to share with others the gifts you have given us We confess that as members of this community and country we have failed to advocate for the needs of the most vulnerable of our society and our world We confess that we have not spoken up in the face of racism, discrimination, hatred and violence of any kind We confess that we are sometimes afraid to trust your call to become new each day and to follow you into an unknown future

Help us to turn back to you, O God and welcome the gifts you offer. As we journey through this Lenten season, restore our hearts and minds so that we will love ourselves and each other as you love us, be a light to all those that we meet and be open to your call to be disciples of Christ in this place and time. Amen

Gathering Song – Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery # 179 (CP)

Greeting

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

And also with you.

Kyrie Hymn - Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved # 602 (ELW) (Leader - Choir, All - Congregation)

Prayer of the Day

Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading - Genesis 2 : 15 - 17, 3: 1 - 7

A reading from Genesis.

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 32



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¹Happy are they whose transgressions | are forgiven, and whose sin is | put away!

²Happy are they to whom the LORD im- | putes no guilt,

and in whose spirit there | **is no guile!** ³While I held my tongue, my bones with- | ered away.

because of my groaning | all day long.

⁴For your hand was heavy upon me | day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the | heat of summer. R

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not con- | ceal my guilt.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt | of my sin.
⁶Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in | time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they | shall not reach them.
⁷You are my hiding-place; you preserve | me from

vou are my hiding-place; you preserve | me from trouble; you surround me with shouts | of deliverance.

8"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that | you should go; I will guide you | with my eye. R

⁹Do not be like horse or mule, which have no | understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will | not stay near you."

¹⁰Great are the tribulations | of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust | in the LORD.

¹¹Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice | in the LORD; shout for joy, all who are | true of heart. **R**

Psalm Prayer

Merciful God, day and night our sins are before us, and we can find no relief. We confess to you, O Lord, that we have strayed far from you and turned our backs on your love. Turn us again to you and lead us in the way of repentance, that, held in your mercy, we may always stay near you; through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

Amen.

Second Reading Romans 5: 12 - 19

A reading from Romans.

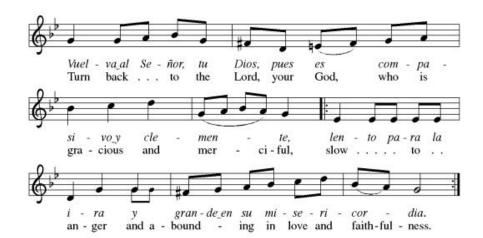
Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Reading – Matthew 4: 1 - 11

The holy gospel according to Matthew. Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,'

and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,

and serve only him.'"

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** Sermon

Hymn of the Day - O Lord, throughout These Forty Days # 319 (ELW)

Prayers of Intercession

Turning our hearts to God, who is gracious and merciful, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

God of new life, we pray for the church, especially in the Lutheran Church in Canada, The Anglican Church of Canada and other faith communities around the world. Make your church holy ground where all people can be seen and loved for who you have created them to be...(silence is kept)

Life Giving Spirit of God Let us be love in the world

God of creation. Help us to see your glory in deserts and on mountaintops. May we learn to nourish gardens and orchards and bless those who tend them. Forgive us for our desire to dominate creation instead of serving as faithful stewards and caretakers.. (silence is kept)

Life Giving Spirit of God Let us be love in the world

God of the nations. May all leaders and governments be liberated from the temptation to act unjustly and to work to care for all those whom they are called to lead and serve...(silence is kept)

Life Giving Spirit of God Let us be love in the world O God of health and wholeness teach us to care for those who are hungry, those who are isolated and alone, those who are anxious, those facing the difficulties of life, and those facing illness or grief. We pray especially for those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts.....

Life Giving Spirit of God Let us be love in the world

God of forgiveness and new beginnings, guide us through our Lenten journey and help us to welcome the disciplines of lent-self examination and repentance, prayer and fasting, sacrificial giving and works of love, so that our faith may continue to grow and our life be a visible witness to your love and grace......(silence is kept)

Life Giving Spirit of God Let us be love in the world

God of strength and wisdom, grant to all those who provide leadership in our congregation and to all members of this congregation the Spirit of openness and hope as we begin this period of transition and self reflection.....(silence is kept)

Life Giving Spirit of God Let us be love in the world

God of wonder, you continue to put new songs in our hearts and on our lips. We give thanks for those who lead us and bless us with music and those who lead us in worship. May our time of worship inspire us, strengthen us and teach us what it means to be your disciples..... (silence is kept)

Life Giving Spirit of God Let us be love in the world

According to your steadfast love, O God, hear these and all our prayers as we commend them to you, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering / Choir Anthem - The Whisper (Craig Courtney)

Offering Hymn – Giver of the Perfect Gift # 180 (CP)

Offering Prayer

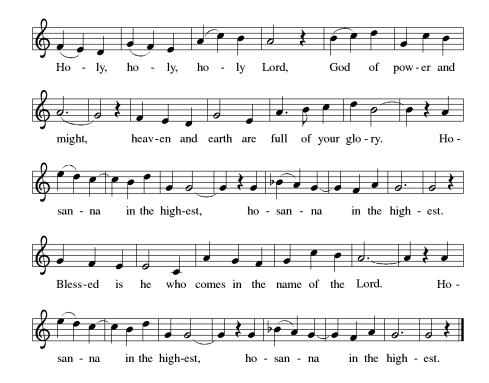
God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

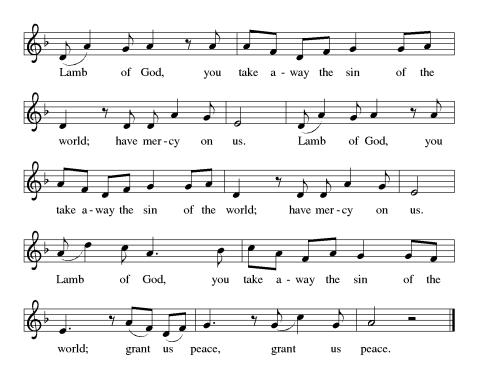
Holy, Holy, Holy



Thanksgiving at the Table ...proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again. ...hope for this coming. Come, Lord Jesus. ...peace on earth. Come, Holy Spirit. 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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Lamb of God



Communion Hymns For the troubles and the sufferings



Silence for reflection

Bread of the World, in Mercy Broken # 54 (CP)

Prayer after Communion

Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

Amen

SENDING God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

The blessing of the God of life be ours. The blessing of the loving Christ be ours. The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours, to cherish us, to help us, to make us holy.

Announcements

Sending Song - Lord Dismiss Us with Your Blessing # 545 (ELW)

Benediction

Dismissal

Go in peace. Let your light shine. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude - Fugue (Max Reger)

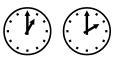
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It's time to "spring forward". Move your clocks forward an hour so you don't miss the Service next week!

Announcements and Information

We pray for ACC Bishop John Organ, the clergy and people of the Diocese of Western Newfoundland **ELCIC** The dean, council, and congregations of the Georgian, Huronia and Bay Areas of the Eastern Synod.

Greeters: The Sunday School Children and their Teachers

Baking for Rosa - The Sunday School children will be baking muffins today. Your donations to the Rosa Fund are greatly appreciated.

Coffee hour - is provided today by the Sunday School children. Thank you.

Lenten Self-Denial envelopes are available in the Narthex. Your donations can be placed in the offering, and will be shared between the *Primate's World Relief and Development Fund* and *Canadian Lutheran World Relief*. This is a time to thoughtfully share our blessings with others around the world.

Altar Guild March: Thanks to Cathy Soehner, Elsie Persaud and Ena Sookraj.

St. Patrick's Card Party and dessert will be held on Saturday, March 14 starting at 6 pm. Contact Pearl Robinson for more details.

Contacting the Pastor - Please be aware that the phone numbers for Pastor Stephen are to be used for pastoral emergencies only. Pastor Stephen is here part time, and requests to meet with him should be scheduled through the Church Office. Thank you.

LOOKING AHEAD: March 2 – March 8

Monday 2	7:00 pm	Outreach Team The Parlour
Wednesday 3	9:00 am	Announcements Due to Office
Thursday 5	9:00 am	Scrapbooking Choir Room
	2:00 pm	Silvercreek Community Market Fellowship Hall
	7:00 pm	Church Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary
Sunday 8	8:30 am	Lent 2 Holy Communion - Sanctuary
	10:00 am	Lent 2 Holy Communion - Sanctuary Sunday School

Staff

Peter West, Organist Michele Altermann, Administrative Assistant

Church Office Hours

Tuesday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.