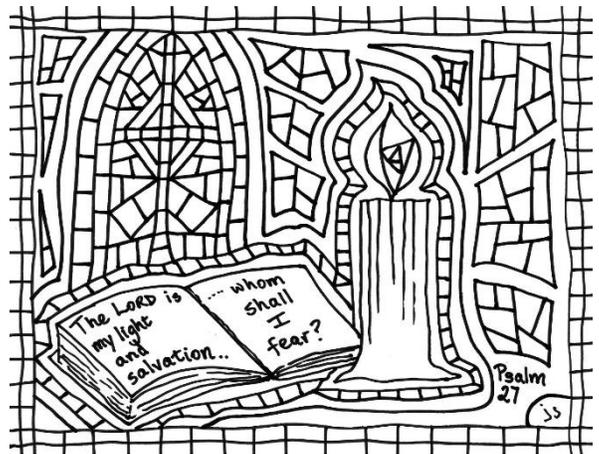


**March 16, 2025**

*Lent 2*

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**



### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY**

All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church exists on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron / Neutral People. We honour the original ancestors of this land and also offer respect and friendship to our Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, Mississauga and Métis neighbours.

**We give thanks for the First Peoples and all who have cared for the land and made it possible for us to dwell and do ministry on this land, and we commit ourselves to walk in right relations with one another.**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*The assembly kneels or stands.*

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

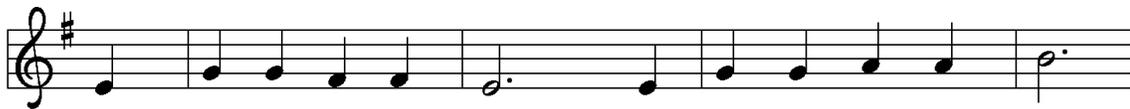
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep you in eternal life.  
**Amen**

**GATHERING SONG      Eternal Lord of Love...    RED 321**

**GREETING**

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

**KYRIE**



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.  
 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.  
 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
 Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
 Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

Loving God, you save all who seek refuge in you. Grant that we who know your salvation may walk always in your light, take courage in your faithfulness, and rejoice in your astounding goodness to us, for we pray through Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## **CHOIR ANTHEM**

### **FIRST READING: Genesis 15:1-6**

*God promises a childless and doubting Abram that he will have a child, that his descendants will be as numerous as the stars, and that the land of Canaan will be their inheritance.*

<sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup>

But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." <sup>4</sup>

But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup>

He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Word of God. Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God!**



- <sup>9</sup> Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your ser- | vant in anger.  
Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of | my salvation.
- <sup>10</sup> **Though my father and my moth- | er forsake me, the LORD will | take me in.**
- <sup>11</sup> Teach me your | way, O LORD;  
lead me on a level path, because of | my oppressors.
- <sup>12</sup> **Subject me not to the will | of my foes, for they rise up against me, false witnesses | breathing violence.**
- <sup>13</sup> This I believe—that I will see the goodness | of the LORD in the land | of the living!
- <sup>14</sup> **Wait for the LORD | and be strong. Take heart and wait | for the LORD! R**



In the day of trou - ble, God will give me shel - ter.

## **SECOND READING: Philippians 3:17—4:1**

*Although Paul's devotion to Christ has caused him to be persecuted, he does not regret the course he has taken. Writing from prison, he expresses confidence in a glorious future and encourages other Christians to follow in his footsteps.*

<sup>17</sup> Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup> For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. <sup>19</sup> Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things.

<sup>20</sup> But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>21</sup> He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself.

4:1 Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Word of God. Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God!**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind -



slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.

## GOSPEL: Luke 13:31-35

The holy gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>31</sup> At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus,] "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." <sup>32</sup> He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. <sup>33</sup> Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.'

<sup>34</sup> Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers

her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! <sup>35</sup> See, your house is left to you.

And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

The gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **HOMILY**

**HYMN OF THE DAY      Thy Holy Wings      RED 613**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Led by the Spirit, we turn to God in prayer.

Holy God, you long to gather your church under your wings. Bless the churches of Jerusalem – and the all the churches of the Holy Land, including Gaza, and the West Bank, especially Archbishop Hosam Naoum serving the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem, and Bishop Sani Ibrahim Azar serving the Evangelical Lutheran Church In Jordan and the Holy Land – that your people may take heart and stand firm as they witness and minister in horrific circumstance in your name. God, in your mercy,  
**receive our prayer.**

You give shelter to living things as numerous as the stars. Strengthen the voice of prophets who call us to faithful care for the planet, that they would not be silenced but heeded as your messengers. God, in your mercy,  
**receive our prayer.**

Jesus called Herod a fox because Herod ruled through fear, violence, and intimidation. Such leaders are still with us today. Give us the courage to oppose all who would use violence and intimidation for their own ends, that peace and the common good would thrive throughout the world – especially in Russia and Ukraine, Syria and the Middle East, Sudan and the Sahel region of Africa. God, in your mercy,  
**receive our prayer.**

We pray for Mark Carney, newly chosen to serve as Prime Minister of Canada, that he would find fulfillment in his new role, and that he would serve faithfully to promote our common life. God, in your mercy,  
**receive our prayer.**

You are the stronghold of our life. Care tenderly for those who are ill in body or mind, and for people living in fear or need. May all know they are not alone. We pray especially for: Anna-Liisa, Bud, Ruth, Susan, Chris, Werner and Debbie, John and Julianna, Ross and Karen, Gwen and Nolan, Orland, Gail, Ken and Matzi, Irene, Connie, Earlby, Jack and Sharon, Karen, Bill, Irene, Kelly, John and Laura, Juan and Anita, Guillermo, Joanne, Micah, and those we name before you in our hearts. (*silence...*)  
God, in your mercy,  
**receive our prayer.**

You offer us citizenship in heaven. Unite communities of faith who are divided over earthly things, that following the way of Jesus, we may set aside grudges and serve our neighbours with generosity and love. God, in your mercy,  
**receive our prayer.**

Holy God, you are our light and our salvation. We give thanks for the saints who have gone before us. Help us to trust in you as they did, and to live according to their example. God, in your mercy,  
**receive our prayer.**

Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life. **Amen.**

## **PEACE**

May the peace of Christ be with you all!  
**And also with you.**

## **OFFERTORY**

## **UBI CARITAS ET AMOR**

1. Ubi caritas et amor,  
Ubi caritas, Deus ibi est.
2. Live in charity and steadfast love,  
Live in charity; God will dwell with you.
3. Where true charity and love abide  
God is dwelling there. God is dwelling there.
4. Ubi caritas et amor,  
Ubi caritas, Deus ibi est.

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray:

Gracious Provider,  
you set your immense treasures among us,  
opening your heart to the world.  
As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love,  
deepen our commitment to sharing those  
treasures with others,  
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.  
**Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major, 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

## PREFACE

... and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

...For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we await the day when Jesus shall return to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death. Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

**Amen.**

Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate, to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world.

Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

**Amen.**

Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age, that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection, we might live in the freedom and hope of Christ; through, with, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

**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.  
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.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

We break this bread,  
**Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Bread for the journey.  
A feast for hungry hearts. Come!  
**Thanks be to God!**

## **DISTRIBUTION**

## Lamb of God



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## Communion Hymns:

**Nada te turbe**

**BLUE 568**

**By the Holy Spirit Sent**

**BLUE 176**

**God Loved the World**

**RED 323**

## TABLE BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
strengthen, keep, and unite us now and forever. **Amen**

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Generous God,  
you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send  
us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities,  
that your liberating love might nourish the world into  
freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our  
Lord. **Amen.**

## POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

**For The Bread Which You Have Broken BLUE 74**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BENEDICTION**

May God bless you and keep you.  
May God's face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
May God look upon you with favour and give you peace.  
**Amen.**

**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.**

**SENDING HYMN                      Immortal, Invisible ... BLUE 393**

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.  
**Thanks be to God!**

### **POSTLUDE**

## Announcements and Information

	<b>Today</b>	<b>Next Sunday</b>
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Anne Stuart	Christine Morrison
<b>Servers</b>	Penny Richards Marisela McDougall	Laura B Mann Laura F Mann
<b>Reader</b>	Siegfried Schranz	Judy Rogers
<b>Greeters</b>	Bill & Jette Thomas	
<b>Ushers</b>	Mark & Janet Weigel	Mark & Janet Weigel
<b>AV booth</b>	Jeff Smith Brian Janzen	Judy Rogers Brian Janzen
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Ena Sookraj Elsie Persaud	Ena Sookraj Elsie Persaud
<b>Counters</b>	Richard/Linda Zytner Ann Sanders	Mark Weigel Ann Sanders
<b>Flowers</b>		
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Lenten Lunch	Lenten Lunch

***We pray for:***

**ACC** The Rt. Rev. Bruce Myers, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Quebec

**ELCIC** Bishop Jason Zinko, the people and rostered ministers of the Manitoba-North-western Ontario Synod

**MOR** The people and ministries of Good Shepherd Moravian Church in Calgary.

***Greeters:*** If you can help with this important hospitality ministry please contact Elaine Maguire at (519) 658-0509 or let the office know. Thank you.

***Connections:*** The deadline for the next issue of *Connections* is **Sunday March 23, 2025**. Please submit items to Christine Morrison at [cjmorrison263@gmail.com](mailto:cjmorrison263@gmail.com)

***Lenten Lunches are back!*** Join us for soup, bread and conversations after worship on five Sundays in Lent .

*March 16—Cultivate Nourishing Relationships.*

*March 23—Lavishly Care for Yourself.*

There is a sign up sheet in the narthex for soup heroes! We are hoping for a variety including some vegan options each week. We are also looking for a family or a couple of friends to select one Sunday to organize the set up and clean up. *Thank you!*

***Parish Care Workshop:*** Join us on **Tuesday March 18 at 1:00 pm** in the Parlour. Topic is Concussion: what happens when you bang your head. Everyone is welcome, there will be refreshments!

***The Knitting Pilgrim:*** On **Friday March 21st at 7:30 pm** at Harcourt United Church (87 Dean Ave) Kirk Dunn will perform his remarkable one-man show on the commonalities and conflicts between Judaism, Christianity and Islam. To illustrate these great faiths Dunn has knitted three massive, beautiful, colourful panels that will be on display. Tickets are \$20 and are available online at:

[www.eventbrite.com/e/the-guelph-seminar-presents-the-knitting-pilgrim-kirk-dunn-tickets-1200252249789?aff=oddtcreator](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-guelph-seminar-presents-the-knitting-pilgrim-kirk-dunn-tickets-1200252249789?aff=oddtcreator).

Bring your own knitting!

***ECM Dinner:*** Attention All Saints little cooking elves! Next dinner for those starving University students is **Wednesday, March 26**. Lasagna this time? Please contact Marilyn Bleach Schranz if you can help. *Please note, we are not collecting any more plastic containers, we have enough now. Thank you.*

***Jack and Sharon McGirr would like to hear from you!***

Jack suffered a mild stroke last week. Sharon called to let us know he is doing okay and they would love to hear from their friends at All Saints. They join us every Sunday on line!

They can be reached at: 1-705-352-2633

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**Lenten Self Denial:** Women of Faith have selected Canadian Lutheran World Relief and Alongside Hope (formerly PWRDF) to receive this year's Lenten self denial donations. Pamphlets and envelopes are available on the table in the narthex. Etransfers can also be made—include Lenten Self Denial in the message line.

**Free to Read:** This year we are again supporting the Guelph Tool Library Book Sale that supports literacy programs in prisons. We will be collecting books between March 1 and April 19. The Book Sale will be held at the Old Quebec St Mall on **Saturday April 26 between 1:00 am and 3:00 pm.** These proceeds are used to buy books to use for education and training programs. This is a great opportunity to consider what books in your home are ready to find their next 'forever home'! (Please – no encyclopedias!)  
*Thank you.*

**Silvercreek Community Market:** We regularly need rice and red lentils! We currently have 270 families registered so please consider buying the specific items listed below in advance of each month — **for March we need pasta sauce, cereal, legumes and cooking oil.**  
*We do not need any more reuseable grocery bags or plastic bread tabs at this time. Thank you.*



*The Circle of Reconciliation and Justice of the Eastern Synod needs your help to get the word out to young adults between 18 and 30 who would be willing to take part in a canoe adventure on the Grand River this summer to learn and embody reconciliation in action. Brochures are available in the narthex and on the Synod website.*

Just a reminder that the downstairs washrooms will be not be available from Saturday March 22 to Thursday March 27 as painting and new flooring is installed. Thank you

## LOOKING AHEAD: March 17–23

Tuesday 18	1:00 p.m.	Parish Care Parlour
	5:00 p.m.	Men's Fellowship Rose Head Hall
Wednesday 19	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to Office
	12:00 p.m.	Women of Faith Parlour
		Executive Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Faith Forum via Zoom
Thursday 20	9:00 a.m. -3:30 p.m.	Silvercreek Community Market, Rose Head Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice Nave
Saturday 22	All day	Washroom dismantling and painting
Sunday 23	8:30 a.m.	Lent 3 Holy Communion—Nave
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	11:30 a.m.	Lenten Lunch Rose Head Hall