

STOCKHOLM LUTHERAN CHURCH

First Sunday in Lent

March 10, 2019

GATHERING

* Page and hymn numbers refer to the red hymnal ("Worship") *

GATHERING MUSIC Barb Froemming

WELCOME

CONFESSION

P: God at the margins of life,

C: We have wandered far from your home; again, and again, we lose our way. We turn inward, afraid of the world around us. We forget that you have saved your people before and you promise to do so again.

Do not remember the sins of our past, but turn our faces to the future, where your forgiveness is sure, your welcome is clear, and your love overflows. Amen.

FORGIVENESS

SONG "*Bless Now... the Journey*" (tune: # 654) # 326

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

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

PRAYER

WORD OF GOD

FIRST BIBLE READING (pew Bible page 174)

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

PSALM

Psalms 91:1-2, 9-16

SECOND BIBLE READING (pew Bible page 985)

Romans 10:8b-13

GOSPEL SONG "*Jesus Loves Me*" (v. 1) # 595

GOSPEL BIBLE READING (stand) (pew Bible page 892)

Luke 4:1-13

Before the reading: **C: Glory to you, O Lord!**

After the reading: **C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON

Rev. Mark Little

WE RESPOND WITH LOVE FOR GOD

SONG "*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*" # 325

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OFFERING OUR WHOLE LIVES TO GOD

(We are grateful for every financial gift which helps our church be faithful and do what God desires.)

OFFERING SONG "*Restore in Us*" (v. 1-2) # 328

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray:

C: Generous God, you feed us with the harvest of the land, and you provide for our every need. Receive our gifts of money, imagination, and labor, and transform them into a feast that welcomes all, in Jesus Christ, our host and our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER SONG "*Standing in the Need of Prayer*" Insert

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

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SENDING TO SERVE GOD'S PEOPLE

BENEDICTION

"THREE-FOLD" AMEN

SONG "*Abide with Me*" (v. 1-3) # 629

DISMISSAL

P: Go in Peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God!

SENDING MUSIC Barb Froemming

Welcome to all who gather here for Worship this morning! We give a special welcome to you if you are a guest with us today—Please worship with us again soon! If you are in search of a new church home, please contact Pastor Mark.

PRAYER CONCERNS – Karen Anderson, Tina Geistfeld, Nora Klima, Barb Lee, Stephanie Mattila, Kermit Moen, Annie Reinbold, Jonathon Ryan, Kerry Schmiesing, and those serving in the armed forces as we pray for peace.

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GOD'S WORD FOR YOUR LIFE – "The Word is near you, on your lips and in your heart...if you confess that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Romans 10: verse 8-9.

LENT RESOURCES Two Lenten resources are available for your devotions. One devotional is titled "Lasting Hope" and each day includes a few lines from a Psalm, a quotation, a brief commentary and a simple prayer. We are asking \$2.50 for each booklet. The other resource will be used by the Adult Discussion and is a 40-day journey by highly acclaimed author Kathleen Norris.

LENT HAS BEGUN! Carve out time in your schedule for this faith-nurturing time of the year, where we have the blessing of extra time every Wednesday to soak in God's Word, and to be with one another as the Body of Christ! Lent meals begin at 5:30 pm, and worship at 7:00 pm. We still need hosts for April 3, 10.