

**Order of Worship Service – March 8, 2026**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in LENT**

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**PRELUDES** Two Settings of “Jesus, Priceless Treasure” – Johann Walther/Paul Manz

**WELCOME**

**LENTEN RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

**OUR RESPONSE HYMN #816** Christ We Do All Adore Thee (ADORE THEE)

**OPENING PRAYER**

**CHOIR** Come, Lord Jesus, Be Among Us – Lloyd Larson

**HYMN #694** Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken (AUSTRIAN HYMN)

**SCRIPTURE READING** Psalm 95 (NRSV)  
**Reader: *The Word of the Lord.***  
**Congregation response: *Thanks be to God.***

**CHOIR** He’s the Lord of Glory – Phyllis C. Spiers

**PRAYER OF BLESSING**

**HYMN #506** I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say (VOX DILECTI)

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** Wilma Wiens  
**Leader: *Lord, in your mercy.***  
**Congregational Response: *Hear our prayer.***

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**SCRIPTURE READING** John 4:15-19, 21-24, 39-42 (NRSV)  
**Reader: *The Word of the Lord.***  
**Congregation response: *Thanks be to God.***

**SOLO** Ho! Everyone Who is Thirsty – Lucy Rider

**MESSAGE** A Far-Reaching Transformative Conversation – Hermann Dueck

**HYMN** Living Water (BEECHER)

**BENEDICTION**

***As we end our time of worship, we extinguish a candle symbolizing our ongoing journey into the darkness of Good Friday.***

**POSTLUDE** O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing – Craig Phillips

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Worship Leader	Wilma Wiens
Minister of Pastoral & Spiritual Care	Wilma Wiens
Minister of Music	Margot Sim
Soloist	Greg Klassen

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**NEXT SUNDAY – MARCH 15 (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in LENT):** Hermann Dueck will be speaking on “From Blindness to Sight” with scriptures Ephesians 5:8-14 and John 9:24-25, 35-41

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**LENTEN RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP – LENT III**

**LEADER:** Come, all who are thirsty  
Come, all who are weak and taste the living water of Christ.

**ALL:** **Jesus says the water he gives will become a living stream within us.**

**LEADER:** Come, dip your hands in the stream of life,  
Refresh body and soul, drink deeply, depend on it.

**ALL:** **Jesus says this water will never run dry.**

**LEADER:** Come, and be blessed by God.

**ALL:** **We come to worship in spirit and in truth.**

**CHRIST, WE DO ALL ADORE THEE** (Théodore Dubois)

Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever.  
Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever.  
For on the holy cross hast thou the world from sin redeemed.  
Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever.  
Christ, we do all adore thee.

**COME, LORD JESUS, BE AMONG US** (James Edwards)

Come, Lord Jesus, be among us, fill our lives with hope and power,  
Now receive our loving service, make us one with Thee this hour.

Turn us from the things that bind us, and the troubles that we face,  
To a moment filled with wonder, in the splendor, of Thy grace.

Come, Lord Jesus, be among us, fill our lives with hope and power,  
Now receive our loving service, make us one with thee this hour. Amen

**GLORIOUS THINGS OF THEE ARE SPOKEN** (John Newton)

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion city of our God.  
He, whose word cannot be broken, formed thee for His own abode.  
On the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love.  
Well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove.  
Who can faint while such a river ever flows their thirst to assuage?  
Grace which like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear,  
For a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near!  
Thus they march, the pillar leading, light by night and shade by day,  
Daily on the manna feeding which he gives them when they pray.

Savior, since of Zion's city I through grace a member am,  
Let the world deride or pity, I will glory in thy name.  
Fading is the world's best pleasure, all its boasted pomp and show,  
Solid joys and lasting treasure none but Zion's children know.

**PSALM 95** (NRSV)

<sup>1</sup>O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! <sup>2</sup>Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! <sup>3</sup>For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. <sup>4</sup>In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. <sup>5</sup>The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

<sup>6</sup>O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!  
<sup>7</sup>For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. O that today you would listen to his voice! <sup>8</sup>Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness, <sup>9</sup>when your ancestors tested me, and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work. <sup>10</sup>For forty years I loathed that generation and said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they do not regard my ways."  
<sup>11</sup>Therefore in my anger I swore, "They shall not enter my rest."

**HE'S THE LORD OF GLORY** (Phyllis C. Spiers)

CHORUS: He's the Lord of Glory, He is the Great I Am;  
He's the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end.  
His name is Wonderful, the Prince of Peace is He;  
The Everlasting Father throughout eternity.

Behold, what manner of man is this who stands between God and man?  
His eyes are as a flame of fire, His fan is in His hand.  
John saw Him in the seven churches as the sun in brilliancy.  
Behold, what manner of man is this? What manner of man is He?  
CHORUS

Behold, what manner of man is this who spoke to the woman at the well:  
"Everlasting life I'll give to thee, far richer than man can tell.  
And whosoever shall drink of this well shall live eternally."  
Behold, what manner of man is this? What manner of man is He?  
CHORUS

**I HEARD THE VOICE OF JESUS SAY** (Horatius Bonar)

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me and rest,  
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down Thy head upon My breast."  
I came to Jesus as I was, weary, and worn and sad,  
I found in Him a resting-place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give  
The living water, thirsty one, stoop down and drink, and live."  
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream,  
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's Light,  
Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise and all the day be bright."  
I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my Star, my Sun,  
And in that Light of life I'll walk till travelling days are done.

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive those who trespass against us.  
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,  
Forever and ever. AMEN

## **JOHN 4:15-19, 21-24, 39-42** (NRSV)

<sup>15</sup>The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.' <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.'

<sup>17</sup>The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; <sup>18</sup>for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' <sup>19</sup>The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet.'

<sup>21</sup>Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. <sup>22</sup>You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup>But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. <sup>24</sup>God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.'

<sup>39</sup>Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' <sup>40</sup>So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. <sup>41</sup>And many more believed because of his word. <sup>42</sup>They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

## **HO! EVERYONE WHO IS THIRSTY** (Lucy Rider)

Ho! Everyone who is thirsty in spirit. Ho! Everyone who is weary and sad.  
Come to the fountain, there's fulness in Jesus; all that you're longing for, come and be glad.  
**Chorus** "I will pour water on you who are thirsty, I will pour floods upon the dry ground.  
Open your heart for the gift I am bringing; while you are seeking me, I will be found."

Child of the world, are you tired of your bondage? Weary of earth-joys so false, so untrue?  
Thirsting for God and His fulness of blessing? Hear of His promise – a message for you. **Chorus**

Child of the kingdom be filled with the Spirit. Nothing but fulness your longing can meet.  
It's the enduement for life and for service; yours is the promise so certain, so sweet. **Chorus**

**LIVING WATER** (adapted from Beth Stilborn)

By the well, a thirsty woman found the life that you could give,  
We, too, thirst like empty vessels. Fill us full that we may live.  
Jesus, source of living water, wellspring bubbling deep within,  
By the waters of baptism, cleanse and free us from our sin.

Plant us firm, like trees by water, send our roots down deep in you,  
Quench our parched and thirsty spirits with your water, pure and true.  
Jesus, source of living water, nourisher of all on earth,  
By the waters of baptism, quicken growth and give new birth.

May we be your streams of justice, as the water, may we move  
Through your people, o'er the nations, showing mercy, sharing love.  
Jesus, source of living water, groundswell forcing truth to view,  
Flood us with your Holy Spirit, set us free to live for you.