Welcome to Edison Lutheran Church

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Fifth Sunday in Lent April 6, 2025 10:30 am

Welcome to worship!

Masks are welcome. If you are joining us from your car, **please tune your radio to 98.7 FM** or join us for the livestream via Facebook or our website, elcbow.org.

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Holy Communion

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If you are a visitor with us, thank you for being here. We invite you to sign our attendance book and the guest book in the Narthex. **Children are welcome** in worship. *Children's bulletins* are available from the ushers. Also, <u>Children's Activity Bags</u>, located in the back of the sanctuary on the right side to use during the service. **We celebrate Holy Communion every Sunday and extend the invitation to all who are baptized to receive Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sin.**

♦ indicates the congregation stands as able

Prayer cards are available in the pews. If you have a prayer concern or a thanks that you would like included in the Prayers of the People, fill out the card and ushers will collect them from end of pews after Prayer of the Day.

Gathering

10:15 am Sunday Hymn Sing

BELL TOLL

WELCOME AND GREETING

PRELUDE "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

(tune: Melita) - John B. Dykes/setting, Mark Sedio

◆ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- AM In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C** Amen.
- AM Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.
- AM Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
- AM Gracious God,
- have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

 Amen.
- In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare unto you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.



♦ GATHERING HYMN "As We Gather at Your Table" **ELW 522 All Verses**



- As gath - er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten word, we your to
- Turn our wor-ship in - to wit-ness in the of life; sac - ra ment
- 3 Gra-cious Spir-it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred. send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there strife. where tri - um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last least.



with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own; Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for - give as you for - gave; There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,



teach us through this ho - ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known. still died to be - hold your im - age in the world you may we save. as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound-ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: IN BABILONE, Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenlities en Contradansen, 1710

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♦ 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.

♦ KYRIE

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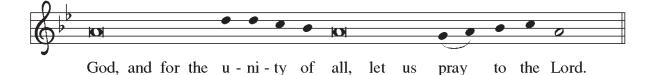


For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.

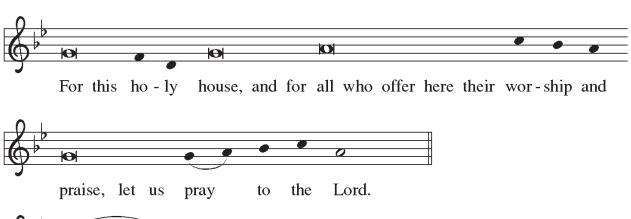




For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of













◆ PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Please pass prayer cards to the aisle.)

Word

FIRST READING

Isaiah 43:16-21

The prophet declares that long ago God performed mighty deeds and delivered Israel from Egyptian bondage through the waters of the sea. Now, God is about to do a new thing, bringing the exiles out of Babylon and through the wilderness in a new Exodus.

¹⁶ Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, ¹⁷ who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸ Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. ¹⁹I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰ The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹ the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

L Word of God. Word of Life. C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 126

Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy. (Ps. 126:5)



- ¹ When the LORD restored the for- [|] tunes of Zion, then were we like [|] those who dream.
- ² Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with ¹ shouts of joy. Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great ¹ things for them."
- ³ The LORD has done great [|] things for us, and we are [|] glad indeed.
- ⁴ Restore our for- | tunes, O LORD, like the watercourses | of the Negeb.
- ⁵ Those who [|] sowed with tears will reap with [|] songs of joy.
- ⁶ Those who go out weeping, carry- | ing the seed, will come again with joy, shoulder- | ing their sheaves.

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:4b-14

Writing to Christians in Philippi, Paul admits that his heritage and reputation could give him more reason than most people to place confidence in his spiritual pedigree. But the overwhelming grace of God in Jesus calls Paul to a new set of values.

[Paul writes:] ^{4b} If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸ More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³ Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

L Word of God. Word of Life. C Thanks be to God.

◆ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION **ELW Setting 9** Let your stead - fast love O Lord. come us, prom - ised; Save us we will word. you trust your

♦ HOLY GOSPEL

John 12:1-8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the twelfth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Judas willfully misinterprets as waste Mary's extravagant act of anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume. Jesus recognizes that her lavish gift is both an expression of love and an anticipation of his burial.

¹ Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ² There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³ Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴ But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵ "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶ (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷ Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸ You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

P The Gospel of the Lord. C Praise to you, O Christ.



CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor John Guthridge

SERMON

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◆ HYMN OF THE DAY "Take My Life, That I May Be" **ELW 583**All Verses



◆ APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven. he is seated at the right hand of the Father. and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen. *Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

◆ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

AM God in your mercy, **C** receive our prayer.

Meal

♦ THE PEACE IS SHARED

AM The peace of the Lord be with you all. **C And also with you.**

The peace is shared with one another with the words, "The peace of the Lord," or similar words.

OFFERTORY: Choral Anthem "Holy Woman, Graceful Giver" - Susan Palo Cherwien/Anne Krentz Organ

TEXT:

- Holy woman, graceful giver, prophet, servant, and believer, Mary with the ointment jar, sought the Christ, by scorn undaunted, knelt in love, his feet anointed for his coming burial hour, for his coming burial hour.
- 2 How the fragrance filled the dwelling! How the act of beauty welling blest all those within the place! How the act of pure devotion, whisp'ring of his coming passion, blest the heart of Christ with grace, blest the heart of Christ with grace!
- 3 Lovingly Christ stilled the scoffer who would grasping guard the coffer, pointing to a hidden trove:
 Not all treasures gain and profit; feed the poor, and feed the spirit acts of beauty, acts of love; acts of beauty, acts of love.
- 4 Though disdained or though contested, acts of love are never wasted:
 Beauty is a face of God.
 Graceful Mary, by your giving, you have shown a way of living: acts of beauty, love, and good; acts of beauty, love, and good.

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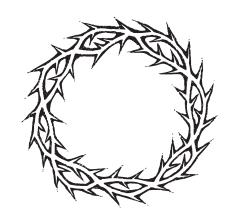
◆ THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

- P Let us pray.
- Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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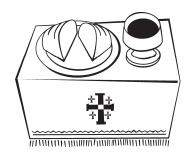




COMMUNION All who are baptized in the common faith of Jesus Christ crucified are welcome to receive communion. We believe that the body and blood of our Lord is truly present in the sharing of bread and wine. Children are welcome to commune at the discretion of their parents. Those who do not receive the bread and wine are welcome to receive a blessing. White grape juice is also available.

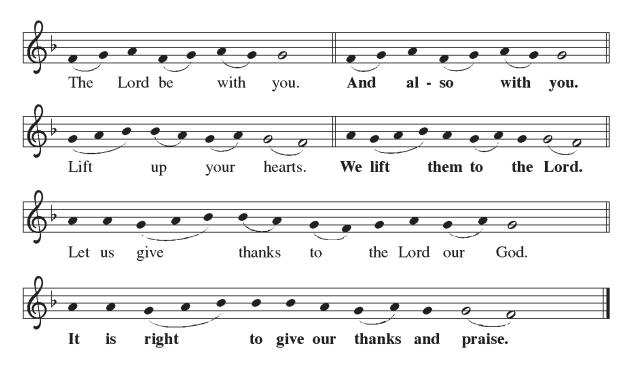
If you desire to commune at the altar rail: Holy Communion at the altar is served in groups. To prevent crowding, please wait in your place until directed by the Ushers. Be sure to bring your cup with you. At the altar rail, you'll be served a small piece of bread and have wine or grape juice poured into your cup. After you have communed, wait for the pastor to dismiss you back to your place.

If coming forward is difficult: Please let an usher know that you would like to receive communion at your seat. After those coming to the altar have been served, Pastor will bring communion to you at your seat.



♦ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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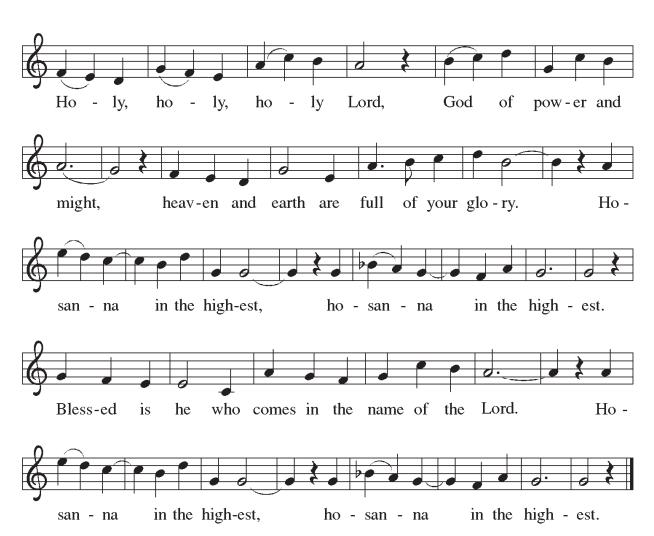


P "It is indeed right, our duty and our joy

.... We praise your name and join their unending hymn:...."

Holy, Holy, Holy

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P In the night in which he was betrayed

Do this for the remembrance of me.

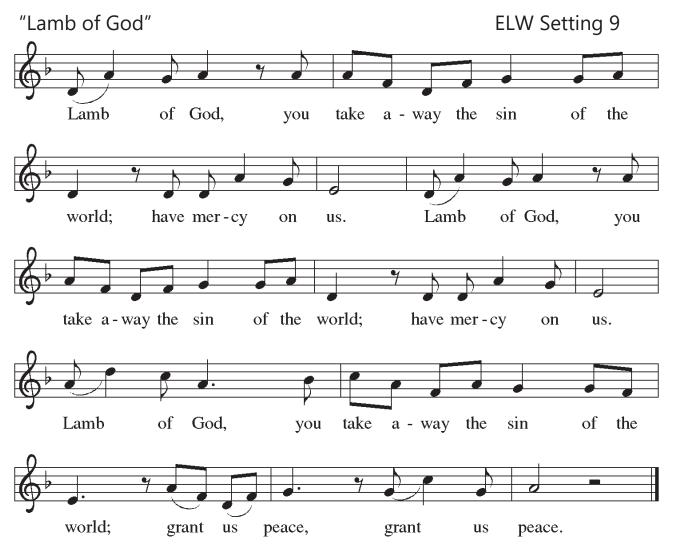
♦ LORD'S PRAYER

- 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;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

~ For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION



"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"
"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"
"Jesus, the Very Thought of You"
"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"
"In the Singing"
"Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal"
ELW 597
ELW 802
ELW 754
ELW 338
ELW 466

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace now and forever.

C Amen.



Sending

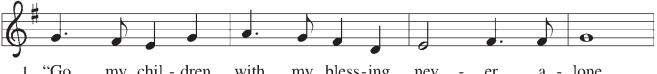
ANNOUNCEMENTS

♦ BENEDICTION

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- C Amen.

◆ SENDING HYMN "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" **ELW543**

All Verses



- 1 "Go, my chil dren, with my bless-ing, nev er a lone. 2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
- 3 "Go, my chil dren, fed and nour-ished, clos er to me.



you are own. my you learned how I love you, Here much what Ι can cure. Grow love and by serv-ing, in love joy ful and free.



In my love's bap-tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er. Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry. Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com-fort stilled you.



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♦ SENDING

AM Go in peace. Christ is with you!

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

"God's Work, Our Hands"

- David N. Johnson

(tune: Earth and All Stars)



Thank you to all who serve in worship!

	Serving Sunday April 6	Serving Next Sunday April 13
Presiding Minister	Pastor John Guthridge	Pastor John Guthridge
Music Ministers	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby
Assisting Minister	Darla Jensen	TBD
Acolyte	Davis Fenimore	Eva Kllogjeri
Lector	Mandy Englund	Mark Johnson
Greeters	Shirley Brick Darla Jensen	Judy Sheahan Inger Conner
Ushers	Keith & Christie Peterson	Gordy Dahl
Altar Guild	Nancy Nygren Debbie Conijn	Judy Sheahan Julie Rousseau
Fellowship Hosts	Larry & Susie Forsythe Rondi Peth	Laurel Black Keith & Christie Peterson
Council Member of the Day	Jean Miller	John Johnson

Scripture Readings for next Sunday, April 13, are:

Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 22:14 - 23:56

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