St. Timothy Lutheran Church

Lent A – Contemporary Communion

**March 15, 2020** **– 9:30 a.m.**

 Prelude/Announcements

 Welcome/Prayer Requests

**\***Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who is present, who gives life, who calls into existence the things that do not exist.

**C: Amen.**

P: If you were to keep watch over sins, O Lord, who could stand? Yet with you is forgiveness, and so we confess.

*(Silence is kept for reflection.)*

P: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned away from you, knowingly and unknowingly. We have wandered from your resurrection life. We have strayed from your love for all people. Turn us back to you, O God. Give us new hearts and right spirits, that we may find what is pleasing to you and dwell in your house forever. Amen.**

P: Receive good news: God turns to you in love. “I will put my spirit in you, and you shall live,” says our God. All your sin is forgiven in the name of Jesus Christ, who is the free and abounding gift of God’s grace for you.

**C: Amen.**

**\*** Praise Song Set

 I Could Sing of Your Love Forever

**\*** P: 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: Prayer of the Day

 AL: First Reading Exodus 17:1-7

 AL: Here ends the reading.

 **CHOIR**

AL: Psalm 95

 AL: Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

 **C:** **Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.**

AL: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

  **C:** **In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.**

AL: The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

 **C:** **O Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our maker.**

AL: 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.

 **C:** **Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness.**

 AL: When your ancestors tested me, and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work

  **C:** **Therefore in my anger I swore, "They shall not enter my rest."**

 P: The Holy Gospel according to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

 P: Gospel Reading John 4:5-26

 P: The gospel of the Lord

 **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

 P: Sermon: Pastor Ivy Gauvin

**\*** Sermon Song: I Surrender All **STAND**

\*Declaration of Faith

 **C: We believe and trust in God the Father Almighty. We believe and trust in Jesus Christ, his Son. We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit. We believe and trust in the Three in One.**

P: May our minds be like that of Christ Jesus. Who, though he was in the form of God,

 **C: did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited.**

P: But he emptied himself

 **C: taking the form of a slave, being born in human like ness and being found in human form.**

P: He humbled himself

 **C: and became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.**

P: Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee would bend, in heaven and on earth and under earth.

 **C: and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen**

**\***P/AL: Prayers of the Church

**\*** P: Sharing God’s Peace

 P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

 **C: And also with you.**

P: Let’s share God’s peace with one another.

 Offering: **AL** Give plates to Ushers/collect when done

 Joyful Spirit:

**\*** Offertory Prayer

AL: Holy and generous host, you set a table where we feast as friends. Prepare us to witness to your goodness with every gift you have given us to share, that all people may know your peace through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

**\*** P: Dialog

 P: The Lord be with you.

 **C: And also with you.**

 P: Lift up your hearts.

 **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

 P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

 **C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: Lord God, we praise you and we thank you. We are the product of your creativity, made to be like you. When we rebelled against you, and denied our true selves, you stepped into our flesh and our reality, and submitted to the cross so that we could find our way home. And now, in gratitude, we join in the song of creation for all eternity **Holy, holy , holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

**\***P: Words of Institution

**\***P: 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**

“Eat this bread…”

 Distribution of Communion – Intinction

**AL – RETURN TO LECTERN IMMEDIATELY**

 **FOLLOWING COMMUNION**

**\***Post Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ

 strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

 **C: Amen**

**\***Post Communion Prayer

 AL: Choose a prayer from those taped to lectern

**\*** P: Benediction

**\*** Sending Song: “As the Deer”

**\*** Dismissal

 AL: Go in peace. Share the good news

  **C: Thanks be to God.**

Asst. Liturgist:

Ushers: