

THE GOOD NEWS

*A God
Who Sustains
On Our
Journey*

*Sixth Lenten Midweek Service
March 25, 2026*

AS WE GATHER

As Israel journeys through the wilderness, they grumble over their lack of food, forgetting the God who had already delivered them from Egypt. In response, God provides manna from heaven—just enough for each day. This is a lesson for the Christian life: faith is not only trusting God for the big miracle someday, but trusting him with everything today.

WELCOME

WE SING

"Thy Strong Word"

LSB 578: 1-4,6

MEETING TOGETHER WITH GOD

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

C: Amen.

P: Humble yourselves under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.

C: Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you.

P: So do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

C: And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus.

WE CONFESS OUR SINS

P: Let us confess our sins to God, trusting in his mercy for the sake of Jesus our Lord.

C: Almighty God, you have called us to a living hope in Jesus. Yet so often we do not reflect that hope in our lives. We turn away from the promises of your Word. We walk in our own selfish ways instead of following in Jesus' footsteps. We do not love others as we should, and we are not always willing to share our hope with the people around us. Have mercy on us and forgive us.

Silent time for personal reflection on God's Word

THROUGH JESUS CHRIST WE ARE FORGIVEN!

MEMORIAL CHOIR

"Purchased By Love"

WE PRAY

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 16:1-18

¹The whole Israelite community set out from Elim and came to the Desert of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had come out of Egypt. ²In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the Lord's hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death." ⁴Then the Lord said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions."

⁵On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days.” ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, In the evening you will know that it was the Lord who brought you out of Egypt, ⁷and in the morning you will see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?” ⁸Moses also said, You will know that it was the Lord when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the Lord.” ⁹Then Moses told Aaron, Say to the entire Israelite community, Come before the Lord, for he has heard your grumbling.” ¹⁰While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the Lord appearing in the cloud. ¹¹The Lord said to Moses, ¹² I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God.” ¹³That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, It is the bread the Lord has given you to eat. ¹⁶This is what the Lord has commanded: Everyone is to gather as much as they need. Take an omer for each person you have in your tent.” ¹⁷The Israelites did as they were told; some gathered much, some little. ¹⁸And when they measured it by the omer, the one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little. Everyone had gathered just as much as they needed.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 6:25-35

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, Rabbi, when did you get here?” ²⁶Jesus answered, “Very truly I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. ²⁷Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval.” ²⁸Then they asked him, What must we do to do the works God requires?” ²⁹Jesus answered, “The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent.” ³⁰So they asked him, What sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do? ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.” ³²Jesus said to them, “Very truly I tell you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴ Sir,” they said, always give us this bread.” ³⁵Then Jesus declared, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

KIDS' TIME

DCE Liz Peters

MESSAGE

“God's Provision”

Pastor Doug Slavens

WE SING

“Behold Our God”

WE PRAY (Luther's Evening Prayer)

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with His favor, and give you His peace. (Numbers 6:24-26)

C: Amen.

WE SING

“Christ Be My Leader”

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Note – Our offerings are received in the offering boxes located near our entrances

God is with us! We live our whole life as an offering of thanks to Him.

Please note our Holy Week & Easter Schedule

Palm Sunday: March 29th - 8AM, 9:30AM, & 11 AM

Maundy Thursday: April 2nd – 6:30 PM

Good Friday: April 3rd – 6:30 PM

Easter Sunday: April 5th – 6:30AM, 8AM, 9:30AM, & 11 AM
Breakfast from 7:30-10am