

**Fifth Sunday in Lent**  
**March 17, 2024—10am**



**Grace Lutheran Church**

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Pastor—The Rev. Leslie D. Weber (she/her/hers)  
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**Our Mission Statement:**

We are a community of believers in Christ called to be servants to all people.

Page numbers (p.) are in front half of the hymnal.  
Hymn numbers (#) are in back half of the hymnal.  
Everyone is invited to join in **bolded responses**.  
+ Please stand as you are able.

**+ Gathering +**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

**Prelude**

"Create in Me a Clean Heart" arr. Phillip Keveren

**+ Confession and Forgiveness**

ACS p.29 (see insert)

**+ Gathering Song**

ACS #1043 "Spirit, Open My Heart"

**Refrain**

Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.  
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving.  
Spirit, open my heart.

God, replace my stony heart with a heart that's kind and tender.  
All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender. **Refrain**

Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story.  
In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you glory. **Refrain**

May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of friend and neighbor. As  
I live from day to day, love will be my finest labor. **Refrain**

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**+ Greeting**

ACS p.30/ELW p.165

**+ Kyrie**

ACS p.31 (see insert)

**+ Prayer of the Day**

ELW p.29

**+Word+**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

**First Reading**

Jeremiah 31:31-34

**Psalm 51:1-12**

ELW #51

**Second Reading**

Hebrews 5:5-10

- + Gospel Acclamation** ACS p.34 (*see insert*)
- + Gospel Reading** John 12:20-33
- Young at Heart Message & Sermon** The Rev. Jim Cobb
- + Song of the Day** ELW #379
- + Nicene Creed** ACS p.16/ELW p.104
- + Prayers of Intercession** sung refrain ELW #616
- + Peace**

**+Meal+**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

**Offering**

*Thank you for supporting the mission of the church as you are able!*

*Electronic donations can be made at*

<https://give.tithe.ly/?formId=622d08be-6865-11ee-90fc-1260ab546d11>.



- + Offering Prayer**
- + Great Thanksgiving** ACS p.36/ELW p.172
- + Proper Preface**
- + Sanctus** ACS p.36 (*see insert*)
- + Thanksgiving at the Table (IV)** ELW p.111
- + Lord's Prayer** ACS p.39/ELW p.112
- + Invitation to Communion**
- Agnus Dei** ACS p.40 (*see insert*)

### **Notes about Communion Distribution at Grace**

*When we're gathered around the table, there is enough food, drink, blessing, space and time for all to share in Holy Communion! GLC practices Eucharistic hospitality since we trust that God welcomes all who come to the table where Christ is both host and meal.*

*Wine (red) and grape juice (white) are distributed in individual cups.*

*Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

*If you prefer to stay in the pew, there are prepackaged kits (wine, juice, and gluten free options) available at the sanctuary doors.*

*If you prefer not to receive the wafer and wine/grape juice, you may kneel or stand at the rail with arms folded across your chest to receive a blessing.*

### **Distribution Song**

"Bread for the Journey"

Give us bread for the journey, give us bread. Give us bread for the journey, give us bread. When our legs are getting heavy, and we're hanging down our heads, give us bread for the journey, give us bread.

Guide our way as we travel, guide our way. Guide our way as we travel, guide our way. With so many roads before us, where to go is hard to say. Guide our way as we travel, guide our way.

Make us one with each other, make us one. Make us one with each other, make us one. All the walls we've built around us: may we learn to tear them down. Make us one with each other, make us one.

Lead us home to the garden, lead us home. Lead us home to the garden, lead us home; where we'll live with all creation, find our place and never roam. Lead us home to the garden, lead us home.

Give us bread for the journey, give us bread. Give us bread for the journey, give us bread. When our legs are getting heavy, and we're hanging down our heads, give us bread for the journey, give us bread.

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### **+ Table Blessing**

### **+ Prayer after Communion**

**+ Sending +**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

**+ Blessing**

**Announcements**

**+ Sending Song**

ELW #506

**+ Dismissal**

Go in peace. Share your bread. **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

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