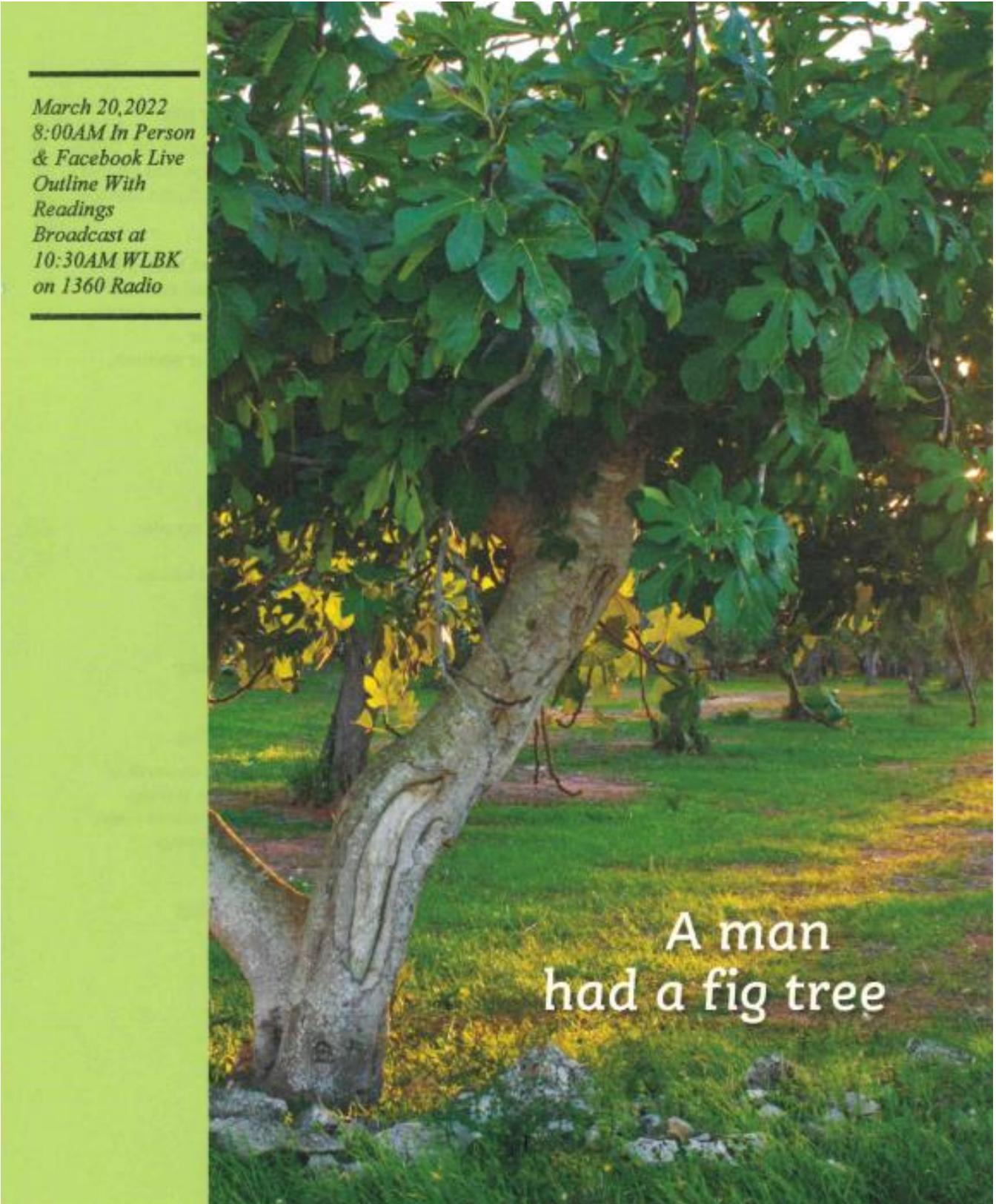


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*March 20, 2022  
8:00AM In Person  
& Facebook Live  
Outline With  
Readings  
Broadcast at  
10:30AM WLBK  
on 1360 Radio*

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A large, mature fig tree with a thick, gnarled trunk and dense green foliage stands in a grassy field. The tree is the central focus of the image. In the background, other trees and a path are visible under a bright sky. The ground is covered in green grass and some yellow wildflowers.

**A man  
had a fig tree**

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND STUDENT CENTER

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March 20, 2022  
8 a.m. in person and FB live  
10:30 a.m. Radio Service

## THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Theme for Worship: In our Gospel lesson, Jesus speaks about two tragedies that took place in Jerusalem. In both cases, He uses the incident to point out that God does not cause a tragedy to happen in response to specific sins or a sinful condition. His intent and purpose is for all people to reflect on their own sinfulness and not to use the fortunes or misfortunes of others or ourselves to gauge God's love or approval for us. In our sermon, we'll get back the basics that we are "justified by grace through faith."

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Pre-Service Music ♪: "Beautiful Savior"

*C-J Motisi*

The Ringing Of The Bells

Welcome

♪ Opening Hymn: "The Will Of God Is Always Best"

*---LSB #758*

1 The will of God is always best  
And shall be done forever;  
And they who trust in Him are blest;  
He will forsake them never.  
He helps indeed  
In time of need;  
He chastens with forbearing.  
They who depend  
On God, their friend,  
Shall not be left despairing.

3 Lord, this I ask, O hear my plea,  
Deny me not this favor:  
When Satan sorely troubles me,  
Then do not let me waver.  
O guard me well,  
My fear dispel,  
Fulfill Your faithful saying:  
All who believe  
By grace receive  
An answer to their praying.

2 God is my comfort and my trust,  
My hope and life abiding;  
And to His counsel, wise and just,  
I yield, in Him confiding.  
The very hairs,  
His Word declares,  
Upon my head He numbers.  
By night and day  
God is my stay;  
He never sleeps nor slumbers.

4 When life's brief course on earth is  
run And I this world am leaving,  
Grant me to say, "Your will be done,"  
Your faithful Word believing.  
My dearest Friend,  
I now commend  
My soul into Your keeping;  
From sin and hell,  
And death as well,

By You the vict'ry reaping. Text: Public domain

## The Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## Confession and Absolution

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## Kyrie

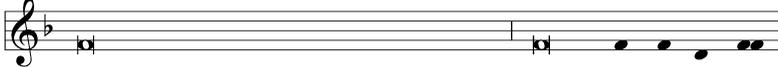
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**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



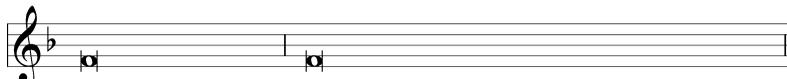
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



<sup>19</sup>And when the wicked turns from his wickedness and does what is just and right, he shall live by them. <sup>20</sup>Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ O house of Israel, I will judge each of you according to his ways.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*1 Corinthians 10:1–13*

<sup>1</sup>I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, <sup>2</sup>and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, <sup>3</sup>and all ate the same spiritual food, <sup>4</sup>and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. <sup>5</sup>Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness. <sup>6</sup>Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. <sup>7</sup>Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.” <sup>8</sup>We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. <sup>9</sup>We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, <sup>10</sup>nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. <sup>11</sup>Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. <sup>12</sup>Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. <sup>13</sup>No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Lenten Verse



**C** Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and  
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in  
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 13:1–9*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>There were some present at that very time who told [Jesus] about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. <sup>2</sup>And he answered them, “Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? <sup>3</sup>No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. <sup>4</sup>Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? <sup>5</sup>No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.” <sup>6</sup>And he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. <sup>7</sup>And he said to the vinedresser, ‘Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?’ <sup>8</sup>And he answered him, ‘Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. <sup>9</sup>Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”



**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

**♪ Hymn of the Day: “By Grace I’m Saved”**

---LSB #566

- 1** By grace I’m saved, grace free and boundless;  
My soul, believe and doubt it not.  
Why stagger at this word of promise?  
Has Scripture ever falsehood taught?  
No! Then this word must true remain:  
By grace you too will life obtain.
- 2** By grace! None dare lay claim to merit;  
Our works and conduct have no worth.  
God in His love sent our Redeemer,  
Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth;  
His death did for our sins atone,  
And we are saved by grace alone.
- 3** By grace God’s Son, our only Savior,  
Came down to earth to bear our sin.  
Was it because of your own merit  
That Jesus died your soul to win?  
No, it was grace, and grace alone,  
That brought Him from His heav’nly throne.
- 4** By grace! This ground of faith is certain;  
As long as God is true, it stands.  
What saints have penned by inspiration,  
What in His Word our God commands,  
Our faith in what our God has done  
Depends on grace—grace through His Son.

5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,  
In tribulation's furnace tried,  
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,  
The Father's heart is open wide.  
Where could I help and strength secure  
If grace were not my anchor sure?

6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;  
In Jesus' promise I rejoice;  
For though I know my heart's condition,  
I also know my Savior's voice.  
My heart is glad, all grief has flown  
Since I am saved by grace alone.

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## Sermon: "Justification By Grace For Dummies"

--Rev. Marty Marks

### Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### The Offering

*(An offering plate is available in the narthex; plates will not be passed during the worship service. Immanuel has the ability to accept offerings through online giving. Families can easily give one-time or set up as recurring gifts. Simply make a secure donation via electronic check by visiting [www.ImmanuelDeKalb.com](http://www.ImmanuelDeKalb.com). If you choose to set up a recurring gift, you will be prompted by email to create your own online donor account to manage your gifts.)*

### Prayers Of The Church

*The Leader says prayers for specific and general concerns of God's people, following each petition with "Lord in your mercy" to which the congregation responds with "**Hear our prayer.**"*

### Service Of The Sacrament

*(The Lord's Supper is celebrated in this service in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. If you share this confession, we invite you to commune with us. If you have doubts or questions concerning this confession of our faith community, we ask that you withhold participation until receiving clarification or instruction from our*

*pastor. The pastor will also offer a blessing to any unconfirmed children who desire it. Special instruction about how to partake in the supper will be explained during the service in response to Covid-19 precautions.)*

## Preface

**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 Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

## Sanctus

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## Prayer Of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Lord's Prayer

**C** 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.

## The Words Of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

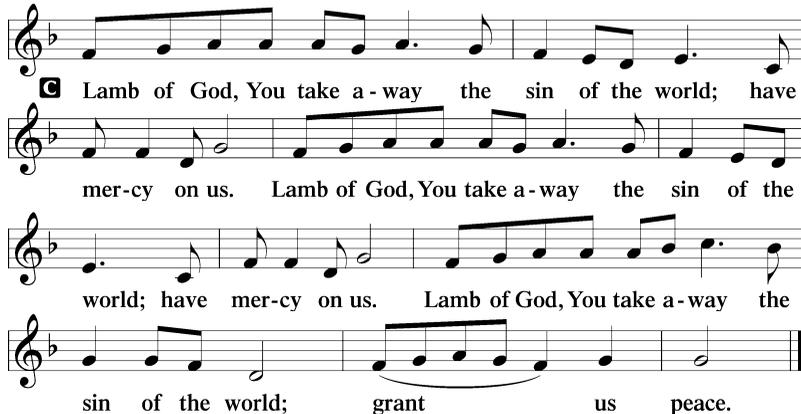
**P** In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

## Pax Domini

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

**C** Amen

## Agnus Dei



**C** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## ♪ Distribution Hymns:

### ♪ “Renew Me, O Eternal Light”

- 1 Renew me, O eternal Light,  
And let my heart and soul be bright,  
Illumined with the light of grace  
That issues from Your holy face.
- 2 Remove the pow’r of sin from me  
And cleanse all my impurity  
That I may have the strength and will  
Temptations of the flesh to still.

---LSB #704

- 3 Create in me a new heart, Lord,  
That gladly I obey Your Word.  
Let what You will be my desire,  
And with new life my soul inspire.
- 4 Grant that I only You may love  
And seek those things which are above  
Till I behold You face to face,  
O Light eternal, through Your grace.

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♪ “Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing”

---LSB #421

1 Jesus, grant that balm and healing

In Your holy wounds I find,  
Ev’ry hour that I am feeling  
Pains of body and of mind.  
Should some evil thought within  
Tempt my treach’rous heart to sin,  
Show the peril, and from sinning  
Keep me from its first beginning.

2 Should some lust or sharp temptation

Fascinate my sinful mind,  
Draw me to Your cross and passion,  
And new courage I shall find.  
Or should Satan press me hard,  
Let me then be on my guard,  
Saying, “Christ for me was wounded,”  
That the tempter flee confounded.

3 If the world my heart entices

With the broad and easy road,  
With seductive, sinful vices,  
Let me weigh the awful load  
You were willing to endure.  
Help me flee all thoughts impure  
And to master each temptation,  
Calm in prayer and meditation.

4 Ev’ry wound that pains or grieves me

By Your wounds, Lord, is made whole;  
When I’m faint, Your cross revives me,  
Granting new life to my soul.  
Yes, Your comfort renders sweet  
Ev’ry bitter cup I meet;  
For Your all-atoning passion  
Has procured my soul’s salvation.

5 O my God, my rock and tower,

Grant that in Your death I trust,  
Knowing death has lost its power  
Since You crushed it in the dust.  
Savior, let Your agony  
Ever help and comfort me;  
When I die be my protection,  
Light and life and resurrection.

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♪ **“Sent Forth By God’s Blessing”**

---LSB #643

**1 Sent forth by God’s blessing,  
Our true faith confessing,  
The people of God from His dwelling  
take leave. The Supper is ended.  
O now be extended  
The fruits of this service in all who  
believe. The seed of His teaching,  
Receptive souls reaching,  
Shall blossom in action for God and  
for all. His grace did invite us,  
His love shall unite us  
To work for God’s kingdom and  
answer His call.**

**2 With praise and thanksgiving  
To God ever-living,  
The tasks of our ev’ryday life we will  
face. Our faith ever sharing,  
In love ever caring,  
Embracing His children of each tribe  
and race. With Your feast You feed  
us, With Your light now lead us;  
Unite us as one in this life that we  
share. Then may all the living  
With praise and thanksgiving  
Give honor to Christ and His name  
that we bear.**

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**Benediction  
Silent Prayers  
Announcements  
Postlude**

<b>PARTICIPANTS – March 20, 2022</b>		
<b>Altar Guild: Carolyn McQuillan &amp; Jackie Hanson</b>		
	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30a.m</b>
<b>Musicians</b>	Linda Conrad; <i>Organist</i> C-J Motisi; <i>soloist, vocalist</i>	Angela Pringnitz; <i>Spiritwind coordinator</i>
<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. Marty Marks	Rev. Marty Marks
<b>Acolyte</b>	Alexis Cruz	Braydon Goff
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Sandy Lancaster	Darlene Hillman
<b>Radio Narrator</b>	Julie Ann Fuchs	---
<b>Videographer/Sound</b>	Doug Nelson	Nathan Allen
<b>Slides</b>	Mark Mistic	Doug Nelson
<b>Usher</b>	Russ Peterson; Rob Tiggelaar	Cody Allen; Dan Lohmeier;
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Tom Sawyer	Dan Lohmeier

**THE WORSHIP SERVICE IS BROADCAST EACH SUNDAY AT 10:30 A.M. ON WLBK 1360.**

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by Deloris Baumann and family.

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