

AGNUS DEI

Cantor: *All:*

A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec cá - ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re no - bis.

A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di:

mi - se - ré - re no - bis. A - gnus De - i, qui

tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

COMMUNION HYMN My Shepherd will supply my need

RESIGNATION

1. My Shep - herd will sup - ply my need; The
2. When I walk through the shades of death, Your
3. The sure pro - vi - sions of my God At -

1. Lord God is his name. In pas - tures
2. pres - ence is my stay; One word of
3. tend me all my days; O may your

1. green he makes me feed, Be - side the liv - ing
2. your sup - port - ing breath Drives all my fears a -
3. house be my a - bode, And all my work be

1. stream. He brings my wan - d'ring
2. way. Your hand, in sight of
3. praise! There would I find a

1. spir - it back, When I for - sake his ways;
2. all my foes, Does still my ta - ble spread;
3. set - tled rest, While oth - ers go and come,

1. And leads me for his mer - cy's
2. My cup with bless - ings o - ver -
3. No more a stran - ger nor a

1. sake, In paths of truth and grace.
2. flows, Your oil a - noints my head.
3. guest; But like a child at home.

Text: 86 86 D; based on Psalm 23; Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.
Music: William Walker's The Southern Harmony, 1835.

11:00 AM — AT THE COMMUNION, ANTHEM

The Lord is my Shepherd, from *Requiem* John Rutter (b. 1945)

The Lord is my shepherd : therefore can I lack nothing.
He shall feed me in a green pasture : and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
He shall convert my soul : and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil : for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me : thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life : and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

— The Book of Common Prayer, 1662

RECESSIONAL HYMN Awake, O sleeper, rise from death

1. A - wake, O sleep - er, rise from death, And
2. To us on earth Christ came to bring From
3. There is one bod - y and one hope, One
4. Then walk in love as Christ has loved, Who
5. For us Christ lived, for us he died And

Christ shall give you light. So learn his love, its
sin and fear re - lease, To give the Spir - it's
Spir - it and one call, One Lord, one faith, and
died that he might save; With kind and gen - tle
con - quered in the strife. A - wake, a - rise, go

length and breadth, Its full - ness, depth, and height.
u - ni - ty, The ver - y bond of peace.
one bap - tism, One Fa - ther of us all.
hearts for - give As God in Christ for - gave.
forth in faith, And Christ shall give you life.

Text: Ephesians 3-5; F. Bland Tucker, 1895-1984, © 1980, Augsburg Fortress
Tune: AZMON, CM; Carl G. Gläser, 1784-1829; harm. by Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

POSTLUDE Jesus is taken down from the Cross, Dupré
from The Stations of the Cross, Op. 29/13

Upcoming This Week!

Saturday, March 21, 10:30 am — 11:30 am: **Before Bach's Birthday Bash**, an annual "progressive concert" that moves around several area churches, in celebration of J.S. Bach's birthday. The **Nativity segment** will feature The Elm Ensemble singing the motet, "Jesu, meine Freude"; the Fantasia and Fugue in C Minor; a flute sonata, and various short works arranged for soprano saxophone and piano!

[Plus, this coming **Monday, March 16, 7:00 pm**: **Brian Carson, Director of Music at Nativity**, will join Dr. Catherine Rodland in a performance of Marcel Dupré's masterpiece, **The Stations of the Cross**, at **Boe Chapel, Saint Olaf College**, in Northfield. Inspired by poems of Paul Claudel, which will be read by **Mahalia Marcelin**, there will also be a simultaneous **visual presentation** of 200 works of art from antiquity through the present day, an astounding collection assembled by Lucy Durkin, retired adjunct faculty in Art History at the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, NY.]

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (A)
LÆTARE

March 14, 2026, 5:00 pm.
March 15, 7:30 am, 11:00 am.

PRELUDE Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem who follow him, Marcel Dupré
from The Stations of the Cross, Op. 29/8 (1886-1971)

ENTRANCE HYMN Amazing grace

NEW BRITAIN

1. A - maz - ing grace! How sweet the sound That saved *a
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my
3. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His word my
4. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al -
5. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright shin - ing

1. wretch like me! I once was lost, but
2. fears re - lieved; How pre - cious did that
3. hope se - cures; He will my shield and
4. read - y come; 'Tis grace has brought me
5. as the sun, We've no less days to

1. now am found, Was blind but now I see.
2. grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!
3. por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
4. safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
5. sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: CM; verses 1-4, John Newton, 1725-1807; verse 5, anon., fr. *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790.
Music: *Columbian Harmony*, 1829.

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KYRIE ELEISON

Cantor: Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. *Assembly:* Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Cantor: Chris - te e - le - i - son. *Assembly:* Chris - te e - le - i - son.

Cantor: Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. *Assembly:* Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Music: Vatican Edition XVI; acc. by Richard Proulx

FIRST READING 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

The LORD said to Samuel: “Fill your horn with oil, and be on your way. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen my king from among his sons.”

As Jesse and his sons came to the sacrifice, Samuel looked at Eliab and thought, “Surely the LORD’s anointed is here before him.” But the LORD said to Samuel: “Do not judge from his appearance or from his lofty stature, because I have rejected him. Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the LORD looks into the heart.” In the same way Jesse presented seven sons before Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen any one of these.” Then Samuel asked Jesse, “Are these all the sons you have?” Jesse replied, “There is still the youngest, who is tending the sheep.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Send for him; we will not begin the sacrificial banquet until he arrives here.” Jesse sent and had the young man brought to them. He was ruddy, a youth handsome to behold and making a splendid appearance. The LORD said, “There—anoint him, for this is the one!” Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

The Lord is my shep-herd; there is noth - ing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. **R.**

He guides me in right paths for his name’s sake.
Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side
With your rod and your staff that give me courage. **R.**

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. **R.**

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come. **R.**

SECOND READING Ephesians 5:8-14

Brothers and sisters: You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth. Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the fruitless works of darkness; rather expose them, for it is shameful even to mention the things done by them in secret; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it says: “Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light.”

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION John 8:12

Praise and hon - or to ___ you, O Lord Je - sus Christ.

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of life.

GOSPEL John 9:1-41

As Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him. We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, “Go wash in the Pool of Siloam” — which means Sent — . So he went and washed, and came back able to see.

His neighbors and those who had seen him earlier as a beggar said, “Isn’t this the one who used to sit and beg?” Some said, “It is,” but others said, “No, he just looks like him.” He said, “I am.” So they said to him, “How were your eyes opened?” He replied, “The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and told me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went there and washed and was able to see.” And they said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I don’t know.”

They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath. So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, “He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see.” So some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, because he does not keep the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a sinful man do such signs?” And there was a division among them. So they said to the blind man again, “What do you have to say about him, since he opened your eyes?” He said, “He is a prophet.”

Now the Jews did not believe that he had been blind and gained his sight until they summoned the parents of the one who had gained his sight. They asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How does he now see?” His parents answered and said, “We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. We do not know how he sees now, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him, he is of age; he can speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone acknowledged him as the Christ, he would be expelled from the synagogue. For this reason his parents said, “He is of age; question him.”

So a second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, “Give God the praise! We know that this man is a sinner.” He replied, “If he is a sinner, I do not know. One thing I do know is that I was blind and now I see.” So they said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” He answered them, “I told you already and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples, too?” They ridiculed him and said, “You are that man’s disciple; we are disciples of Moses! We know that God spoke to Moses, but we do not know where this one is from.” The man answered and said to them, “This is what is so amazing, that you do not know where he is from, yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if one is devout and does his will, he listens to him. It is unheard of that anyone ever opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he would not be able to do anything.” They answered and said to him, “You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?” Then they threw him out.

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered and said, “Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “I do believe, Lord,” and he worshiped him. Then Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind.”

Some of the Pharisees who were with him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not also blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now you are saying, ‘We see,’ so your sin remains.

AT THE PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND OF THE GIFTS, ANTIPHON

Laudate Dominum

Gregorian, Mode II

L Audá - te * Dómi - num, qui - a be - ní - gnus est : psál - li - te nó - mi - ni e - ius, quó - ni - am su - á - vis est : ómni - a quaecúmque vó - lu - it, fe - cit in cae - lo et in ter - ra.

Praise the Lord, for he is loving; sing in honor of his name, for he is gracious. He has accomplished whatever he resolved to do in heaven and on earth. — Psalm 90:4,5

SANCTUS

San - ctus, San - ctus, San - ctus Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá - ba - oth.

Ple - ni sunt cae - li et ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a. Ho - sán - na

in ex - cél - sis. Be - ne - dí - ctus qui ve - nit in nó - mi - ne

Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán - na in ex - cél - sis.

MYSTERIUM FIDEI

We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your Res - ur - rec - tion

un - til you come ___ a - gain.

AMEN

A - men. ___