

Second Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 16, 2025

9:00 AM

I AM...



...the Light of the World

Resurrection Church at Saddle Brooke

Please silence your electronic devices during service.

GATHERING MUSIC

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE (a time for quiet reflection to center ourselves for worship)

*OPENING HYMN

Christ, Be Our Light



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
 2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the
 truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants
 your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.
Refrain
 Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the
 dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your
 church gath - ered to - day.

*GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Radiant God,

you created light that we might live, and you illumine our world with your beloved Son. By your Spirit comfort us in all darkness, and turn us toward the light of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WELCOME HOME

THE FIRST READING: Psalm 27:1-2, 7-14

NRSVue

¹ The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

² **When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh— my adversaries and foes— they shall stumble and fall.**

⁷ Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me!

⁸ **"Come," my heart says, "seek his face!" Your face, Lord, do I seek.**

⁹ Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!

¹⁰ **If my father and mother forsake me, the Lord will take me up.**

¹¹ Teach me your way, O Lord, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.

¹² **Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen against me, and they are breathing out violence.**

¹³ I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

¹⁴ **Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!**

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: 1 John 1:5-10

NRSVue

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say that we have no

sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Acclamation*



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.



***THE HOLY GOSPEL:** John 8:12-20

NRSVue

¹²Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." ¹³Then the Pharisees said to him, "You are testifying on your own behalf; your testimony is not valid." ¹⁴Jesus answered, "Even if I testify on my own behalf, my testimony is valid because I know where I have come from and where I am going, but you do not know where I come from or where I am going. ¹⁵You judge by human standards; I judge no one. ¹⁶Yet even if I do judge, my judgment is valid, for it is not I alone who judge but I and the Father who sent me. ¹⁷In your law

it is written that the testimony of two witnesses is valid. ¹⁸I testify on my own behalf, and the Father who sent me testifies on my behalf." ¹⁹Then they said to him, "Where is your Father?" Jesus answered, "You know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also." ²⁰He spoke these words while he was teaching in the treasury of the temple, but no one arrested him, because his hour had not yet come.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to Christ.

SERMON: "I AM... the Light of the World"

Pastor Tim Nybroten



*HYMN OF THE DAY

Be Thou My Vision



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,
Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,
thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931
Music: SLANE, Irish traditional



*APOSTLES' CREED

People of God, what is it we profess to be true?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**O Lord, Hear My Prayer*



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, an - swer me.



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and lis - ten to me.

Text: Psalm 102:1–2; Taizé Community, adapt.
Music: HEAR MY PRAYER, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Concluding each portion of the prayers the leader says: "Loving Lord..." and the **congregation responds: "This is our prayer."**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS BACK TO GOD

Many services and missions of the church are benefited by your generous offerings.

- Canyon del Oro Assembly of God Food Pantry
- Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona • ELCA Grand Canyon Synod
- Interfaith Community Services (ICS) • Marana Food Bank
- Youth on Their Own (YOTO) • Primavera Men's Shelter • Impact
- Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest
- Sister Jose Women's Center • Wycliffe Bible Missionaries
- Lutheran Campus Ministry of U of A. Thank you!

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Gospel Light

by Mary McDonald

Guest Conductor Susan Tjossem, Resurrection Singers

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(based on Psalm 51)*

Almighty God,

Have mercy on me, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

When we pray, words do not come easily but God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In ✠ Christ, you are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

JESUS' PROMISE AND COMMAND

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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.

HOLY COMMUNION IS CELEBRATED

All are invited to the Lord's table.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Amen.

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION MINUTE: IMPACT FOOD BANK

*BENEDICTION

May God, the giver of love, ✠ Christ, the resurrection and the life, and the Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you on this Lenten journey.

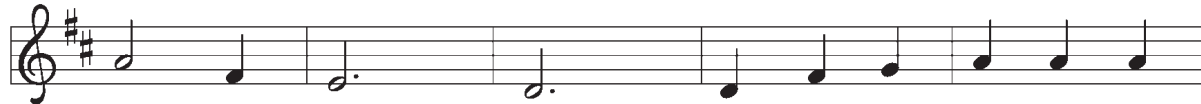
Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to
3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to



fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous-ness,
be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with



light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain



In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the



day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the



cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

*SENT FORTH

Called by God's Spirit, we are to be the presence of Christ in our daily lives so that others will follow him.

Go in peace. Be light for the world.

Thanks be to God.

*SENDING MUSIC

Financial Information Update:

Financial updates will be published in April, July and October.
Thank you.

Attendance for last week:

Oro Valley: 607
SaddleBrooke: 132
Online: 318

*God's grace and your faithful financial partnership have enabled us
to continue the mission to which God has called us!*

*Please use these QR Codes to easily access our
website and giving page.*



Resurrection
Website Homepage



myvanco.com for
Stewardship and Giving

ASSISTANTS

Pastors:

Pastor Carol George
Pastor Tim Nybroten
Pastor Erin Morris
Pastor Wyatt Linde
Pastor Sharon Ragland

Worship Accompanist/

Choir Director:

Peter Yanez

Choir Accompanist:

Joan Chasanov

Audio/Visual:

Denis Greenland

Council Representative:

Mimi Heywood

Ushers:

Alan Stemme, Clayton Thomas,
Gary Zellinger, Jack Schweitzer

Greeters:

Sue and Paul Wilson

Bible Reader: Leslie Merker

Prayer Leader: Susan Tjossem

Communion Servers:

Terry and Sharon Marchione

Altar Care & Communion:

Opal Larkin

UPCOMING SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR RESURRECTION AT SADDLEBROOKE

Sunday, March 23	Pastor Sharon Ragland
Sunday, March 30	Pastor Wyatt Linde
Sunday, April 6	Pastor Sharon Ragland

For any pastoral concerns, please contact Pastor Carol George
(520) 575-9901, or cgeorge@orovalley.org

EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

An emergency evacuation and medical response plan is in place.
Please follow instructions in the event of an emergency.

From Sundays and Seasons.com. Copyright 2022 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #20827. Scripture quotations are from the New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright ©1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved. From Now the Feast and Celebration, Liturgy Text and Music by Marty Haugen © 1990 GIA Publications, Inc., 7404 S. Mason Ave., Chicago, IL 60638. www.giamusic.com. 800.442.3358. All rights reserved. Used by permission. OneLicense.net A-706021. Scanned music used by permission; CCLI Lic. #783058.