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Wednesday 12 Noon & Evening Service (In-Person & Zoom)

March 8, 2023 – 6:30pm

* Call to Worship

P: There is something more,
C: Or something missing,
P: That sends us searching in the dark,
C: Looking for answers,
P: Risking a question.
C: We are drawn here
P: Because God touched us,
C: Gave us hope,
P: Whispered our name.
C: Here in this place,
P: We journey toward grace
C: And know the "something more"
P: Is revealed in the love of Jesus' face.

* Gathering Hymn 326 **"Bless Now, O God, the Journey"**

* 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.**

* The Prayer of the Day

Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Reading: *Psalm 95*

[1]Come, let us sing | to the LORD;
let us shout for joy to the rock of | our salvation.
[2]**Let us come before God's presence | with thanksgiving**
and raise a loud shout to the | LORD with psalms.

[3]For you, LORD, | are a great God,
and a great ruler a- | bove all gods.
[4]**In your hand are the caverns | of the earth;**
the heights of the hills are | also yours.

[5]The sea is yours, | for you made it,
and your hands have molded | the dry land.
[6]**Come, let us worship | and bow down,**
let us kneel before the | LORD our maker.

[7]For the LORD is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep | of God's hand. Oh, that today you would | hear God's voice!
[8]**"Harden | not your hearts,**
as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah | in the desert.

[9]There your ancestors | tested me,
they put me to the test, though they had | seen my works.
[10]**Forty years I loathed that gener- | ation, saying,**
'The heart of this people goes astray; they do not | know my ways.'

[11]Indeed I swore | in my anger,
'They shall never come | to my rest.' "

Homily Pastor Daniel Swanson

* Prayers of the People

* Words of Institution

* The Lord's Prayer

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

Please follow Pastor Daniel's directions.

*** POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C: Amen.

* Blessing

P: God, the giver of love, ☩ Christ, the resurrection and the life, and the Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you in this Lenten journey.

C: Amen.

* Hymn 838 **"Beautiful Savior"**

* Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve in love.

C: Thanks be to God.

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YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR LENT SERVICES: We will have a 12:00 noon service and an evening service at (TIME CHANGE) 6:30 pm every Wednesday in Lent. Holy Communion will be served during each service. NO Curb-Side Communion during Lent.

The Mission and Generosity Committee Listening Circles
Topic: Welcoming All Persons - Zoom Session on **Thursday, March 9, 2023 – 6:30-8:00 pm**
OR In-Person Session on **Sunday, March 12, 2023 – 11:30 am – 1:00 pm**

CLC EASTER BASKETS FOR OUR COMMUNTY - A signup chart is IN THE NARTHEX. P lease donate to this cause **either by signing up for and contributing the suggested items, or by making a financial contribution (designating your gift as "Easter Baskets").** If you purchase food items, please see table in the narthex by the office window at the ramp.