



TRUCKEE LUTHERAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Fifth Sunday of Lent – March 21, 2021

WELCOME

Pastor Jeanie Shaw

This is the day that the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jonas Ellison

*** ♪ KYRIE ELEISON**

Lorelle Banzett, Miriam Hoffmann, Kathy Manifold

The "Kyrie" is a responsive prayer from the earliest centuries of Christianity that is still often used at the beginning of worship. In the original Greek, "Kyrie elision" (pronounced KEE-ree-eh ay-LAY-ee-sohn) means "Lord, have mercy." In this prayer, we ask for God's compassion as we pray in peace for peace.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Heidi Reynaud

Gracious God may your messages and preaching come to us through your Holy Spirit's power and fill us with all joy and peace as we trust in you and in your Holy Son.
Amen.

FIRST READING Jeremiah 31:31-34

The Judeans in Babylon blamed their exile on their ancestors who had broken the covenant established at Sinai. Here the prophet looks to a day when God will make a new covenant with the people. There will be no need to teach the law because God will write it on their hearts.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Hebrews 5:5-10

Mark Reynaud

Using priestly imagery and references to the Old Testament, the author explains how Christ lived in trusting obedience to God, and so God has made Christ the source of our eternal salvation.

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.” In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*** GOSPEL READING John 12:20-33**

Denny Lott

Jesus entered Jerusalem for the last time to celebrate the Passover festival. Here Jesus' words about seeds planted in the ground turn the disaster of his death into the promise of a harvest in which everyone will be gathered.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The Gospel, the Good News of God.

Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION – “The Power of a Promise”

Jonas Ellison

♪ SONG IN RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD – “How High and How Wide Is Your Love”

OFFERING AND PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

***THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

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 our thanks and praise.

The pastor continues with the Words of Institution and sharing of the meal.

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP OF LIFE

♪ “Eat This Bread”

***LORD’S PRAYER**

Pastor will lead the Lord’s Prayer in the ecumenical version. You are welcome to pray however you choose.

Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come, your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
 and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING**

Go in peace. Trust in the promises of God!
Thanks be to God!

*We invite you to participate from home on sections typed in bold. And, if you would like, we invite you to stand, as you are able, for sections marked with an asterisk **

Thank you for joining us online this morning as we worship from our homes. We have chosen to worship online so that when we are able to come back together and worship in person, no one will be missing. Although the building has been closed, our church and worship have always been open! God's grace and peace to you and your family.

We thank everyone who generously supports this ministry and enables us to continue to be an online worship presence. Gifts may be made online through our website at TLPC.org or mailed to: **Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian Church PO Box 10620 Truckee, CA 96162**

Our Congregation has a heart for missions: locally, nationally, and in God's world. With your support we give to Sierra Community House (Hunger Relief, Crisis Intervention & Prevention, Family Support & Community Engagement, Mediation & Legal Assistance); North Tahoe-Truckee Homeless Services; Healthy Babies; International Health Partners Tanzania; Hands of Hope Zimbabwe; youth service trips to Nicaragua and Alaska; adult disaster trips locally and around the world; and the responsible, vigorous mission work of the Presbyterian Church USA and Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) in our nation and world. Additionally, in this year of pandemic, our congregation has supported local essential workers for the last twelve months.

As we walk through the season of Lent, we invite you to join us by reading daily devotions written by members of our congregation. Please also join us for our 7:00 pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study or our Women's Bible Study at 10:00 am on Wednesdays. Please check the TLPC NEWS, emailed every Saturday, or email office@tlpc.org for more information on how to participate.

Holy Week begins March 28th with Passion Sunday. April 1 is Maundy Thursday, the night we remember the last supper that Jesus had with his disciples. And Good Friday, the day we remember Jesus' death on the cross, is Friday, April 2. Easter Day is celebrated on Sunday, April 4th. Please join us online for all these services.

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