



†The Fourth Sunday of Lent

14 March 2010

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

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Fasting and Feasting in Lent

Lent is a time for personal and spiritual reflection and renewal. It is often a time of fasting as a form of personal sacrifice. Here is another idea: a FAST from an attitude or attribute that draws us away from God, accompanied by a FEAST of an opposing attitude or attribute that supports and nurtures our baptismal calling as children of God. Here are some ideas for your consideration.

Fast from judgment

Feast on compassion

Fast from greed

Feast on sharing

Fast from scarcity

Feast on abundance

Fast from fear

Feast on peace

Fast from lies

Feast on truth

Fast from gossip

Feast on praise

Fast from anxiety

Feast on patience

Fast from evil

Feast on kindness

Fast from apathy

Feast on engagement

Fast from discontent

Feast on gratitude

Fast from noise

Feast on silence

Fast from discouragement

Feast on hope

Fast from hatred

Feast on love

Order of Worship

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

8:30 Gospel Choir

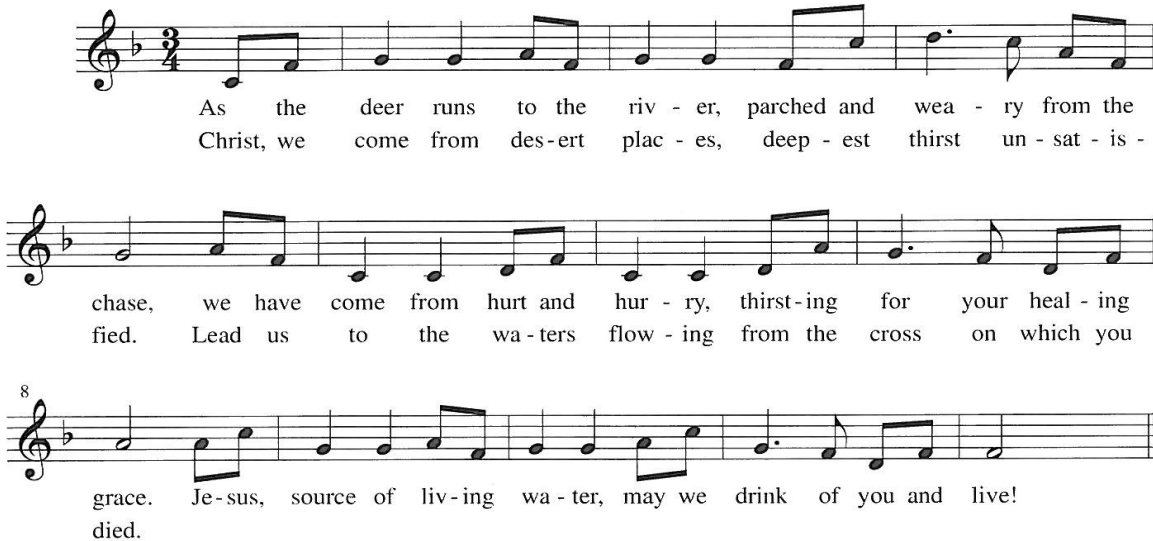
Order My Steps

Glenn Burleigh

11:00 Organ

WELCOME

CALL TO CONFESSION



As the deer runs to the riv - er, parched and wea - ry from the
Christ, we come from des-ert plac - es, deep - est thirst un - sat - is -
chase, we have come from hurt and hur - ry, thirst-ing for your heal - ing
fied. Lead us to the wa - ters flow - ing from the cross on which you
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grace. Je - sus, source of liv - ing wa - ter, may we drink of you and live!
died.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN, #461

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

APOSTOLIC 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... God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Joshua 5:9–12

⁹The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

¹⁰While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. ¹¹On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. ¹²The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Holy wisdom, holy word.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S WORD

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 5:16–21

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. ²⁰So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Holy wisdom, holy word.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL VERSE

Let All Who Thirst Come Unto Me

André Gouzes, OP

“Let all who thirst come un - to
me!” O Christ, foun - tain of
life, pour out your Spir - it up - on us!

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GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-3,11b-32

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

³So he told them this parable: ^{11b}"There was a man who had two sons. ¹²The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. ¹³A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living.

¹⁴When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. ¹⁶He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. ¹⁷But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger!

¹⁸I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; ¹⁹I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'" ²⁰So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. ²¹Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'

²²But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe — the best one — and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; ²⁴for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

²⁵Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. ²⁷He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.'

²⁸Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. ²⁹But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!

³¹Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³²But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

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The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN of the DAY, #606

Our Father, We Have Wandered

During the final verse of the Hymn of the Day, the candidates and their sponsors gather around the font.

RENUNCIATION OF EVIL

As the prodigal son abandoned his life of sin and returned to the joy of the father, so the church empowered by the Spirit, renounces the power of evil in the world. Let us join with saints and angels to pray that God will expose the devil's empty promises and flood the world with light.

Let us pray....Lord God, you promised that the ancient evil of the serpent would be vanquished on the cross of your Son. We ask you: Crush the power of the devil. Protect your people from the evils of the world. Preserve us from sin and error, that with saints and angels we may live in the joy of your goodness and truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...Merciful and most high God, creator and life-giver of all that is, you have called all people from darkness into light, from error into truth, from death into life. We ask you: grant grace to [names] and bless them. Raise them by your Spirit. Revive them by your word. Form them by your hand. Bring them to the water of life and to the bread and cup of blessing, that with all your people they may bear witness to your grace and praise you forever through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

God bring you in peace and joy to the day of your affirmation of baptism and to fullness of life in Christ.

Amen.

PRAYERS and PEACE

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs...

...Gracious God

Hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

PARISH CONCERNS

OFFERING and OFFERTORY MUSIC

8:30 Gospel Choir *Soon Ah Will Be Done* William Dawson

11:00 Chancel Choir *There is Nothing Left to Fear* Valerie Shields

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray...God our provider,

you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OPENING DIALOG

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

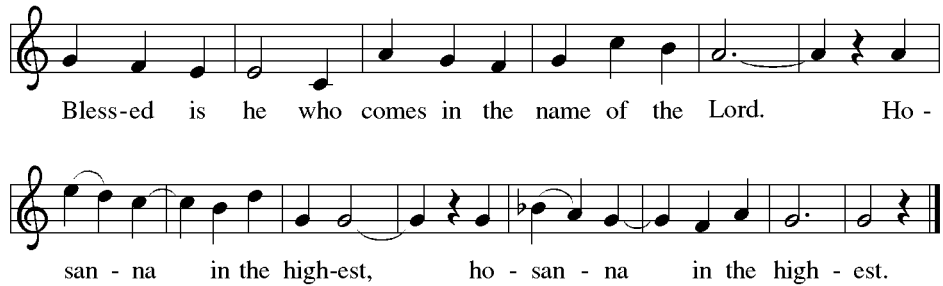
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high - est.



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.

FRACTION and INVITATION

DISTRIBUTION to the FAITHFUL

We welcome all who desire to receive the Lord's body and blood for the forgiveness of sin and renewal of life to join us for Holy Communion. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. Red wine or white grape juice is available as each communicant chooses. Gluten-free wafers are available. Young children and others who do not commune are invited and welcome to come forward for a blessing.

MUSIC DURING THE DISTRIBUTION

LAMB OF GOD

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, grant us peace.

Hymn #779, *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*

Organ, *O Sacred Head*, setting by J. Brahms

Hymn #666, *What Wondrous Love Is This*

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace, now and unto eternal life.

Amen.

Let us pray.... Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

BENEDICTION AND DISMISSAL

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Participants in Today's Liturgy

PRESIDER

Pastor Beverly R. Piro

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CHILDREN'S WORD

Vicar Abigail Perez Jimenez

ASSISTING MINISTERS

Steven Pfaff (8:30)

Patrick Meagher (11)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Caroline Brakken and Arlene Rowe (8:30)

Ben & Shirley Shaw, Kirstin Shaw, and Janet Deters (11)

LECTORS

Ellen Goforth and David Gehman (8:30)

John and Rosalyn Breen (11)

ACOLYTES

Kai Vickers and Johanna Greif (8:30)

Jamie Beers and Kirsten Thorson Dodroe (11)

CHOIRS

Gospel Choir (8:30)

Directed by Darren Hochstedler

Chancel Choir (11)

Directed by Beth Ann Bonnecroy

ORGANIST

Valerie Shields

This Week at PRLC

Sunday, 14 March		+Lent IV
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Adult Forum: Thrivent	Tree of Life
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School	
10:00 a.m.	Young Adults Sunday School	Tower Room
5:00 p.m.	The WAY	Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m.	Spoken Evening Prayer	Chapel
Monday, 15 March		
9:30 a.m.	Bethany Circle	
Tuesday, 16 March		
6:15 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	Library
8:30 a.m.	Quilters	Quilting Room
10:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Tree of Life
2:00 p.m.	Food Bank	Food Bank
7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	301/302
Wednesday, 17 March		
9:30 a.m.	Salem Circle	Library
9:30 a.m.	Spirited Women	Tree of Life
11:15 a.m.	Mid-week Lenten Service/Soup Lunch	Chapel/Library
5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
5:30 p.m.	Bread for the Journey	
6:20 p.m.	Gospel Choir Rehearsal	Tree of Life
7:00 p.m.	Food Bank	Food Bank
7:30 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Tree of Life
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
Thursday, 18 March		
12:00 p.m.	Networking Lunch for those seeking employment	Tree of Life
2:00 & 7:00 p.m.	Food Bank	Food Bank
Saturday, 20 March		
10:00 a.m.	Cello Society Bach Marathon	10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Sunday, 21 March		+Lent V
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Adult Forum: Coexist?!	Tree of Life
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School	
5:00 p.m.	The WAY	Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m.	Vesper Choir Evening Prayer	Chapel

Looking Ahead

(full parish calendar at www.prlc.org)

20 MARCH SAT	Compass Housing Alliance Auction 6:00 p.m., Seattle Marriott Waterfront Hotel
3 APRIL SAT	Easter Vigil 6:30 p.m., Sanctuary
16 APRIL FRI	LYONS Dinner Theater Opening Night Performances on April 16,17,18,23,24,25
18 APRIL SUN	Pheast of Phinney 5-7:00 p.m.
25 APRIL SUN	Congregational Annual Election Meeting Time and location TBD
2 MAY SUN	Mass of the Children 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary
14-15 MAY FRI-SAT	Annual Greenwood Phinney ArtWalk Friday 6-9:30 p.m., Saturday 12-5:00 p.m.
14-15 MAY FRI-SAT	NW WA Synod Assembly Everett Events Center
6/28-7/1 MON-THUR	Vacation Bible School 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Next Week's Lessons: Isaiah 43:16-21, Philippians 3:4b-14, John 12:1-8

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Our congregation participates in a youth ministry organization with 7 other Lutheran churches in Seattle, called LYONS (Lutheran Youth of North Seattle)
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Our congregation participates in a Lutheran counseling organization with congregations from across the Puget Sound area. Lutheran Counseling Network is a coalition of licensed pastoral counselors who provide therapy in a variety of settings for a variety of needs. One such office is located in our facility with Counselor Rosemary Raynaud providing therapy on an appointment basis. Learn more. Check out Lutheran Counseling Network at www.lutherancounseling.net. You can also reach Rosemary by phone at: 206.364.1046, ext. 3.

Church Office Hours
Monday through Thursday 8:30 to 4:30
Friday 8:30 to 12:30