

**Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
**Centered In Christ - Forward in Mission - Lovingly Lutheran**

**Welcome to Pilgrim!** We are glad that you are with us today. If you are seeking a church home or would like the pastor to call on you, please fill out one of the small white cards in the pew back in front of you and place it in the offering plate. We invite you to sign our guest book located in the Narthex near the elevator.

**Please Prepare your Hearts for Worship** after greeting your neighbor, then be in quiet prayer and meditation. Prayers are printed in the ELW on pages 64-87, and the Psalms begin on page 339.

**Communion Elements** will be distributed today by pouring chalice. As the ushers invite you, please walk down the center aisle, pick up a glass on your way to kneel at the Communion Rail. After you eat the wafer, wine will be poured into your glass. You may then return to your pew by the side aisle for further meditation and the singing of hymns.

**Holy Communion is offered** to all baptized Christians who believe in the presence of Jesus Christ in the bread and wine. If for personal or health reasons, you choose to partake of only the bread or only the wine, Lutherans believe that Jesus Christ is fully present in each element. Therefore, Holy Communion of "one kind" (bread or wine only) is entirely acceptable.

**Coffee, juice, and refreshments** are available after worship. As you come and go from worship make sure to greet others and introduce yourself. Please keep refreshments in the narthex area. Thank you.

**FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 3:12-14, 22**

A lesson from Jeremiah:

Return, faithless Israel, says the Lord. I will not look on you in anger, for I am merciful, says the Lord; I will not be angry for ever. Only acknowledge your guilt, that you rebelled against the Lord your God and scattered your favors among strangers under every green tree, and that you have not obeyed my voice, says the Lord.

Return, faithless children, says the Lord; for I am your master; I will take you and I will bring you to Zion.

Return, O faithless children, I will heal your faithlessness.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



Today we again remember and honor those who work on the Great Lakes, our Seafarers, at the 10:00 a.m. worship service. We welcome Rev. Thomas Anderson, Director of the Twin Ports Ministry to Seafarers, who will bring greetings. Following the service, an offering will be received and given to the Seafarers' Ministry. After worship, you are invited to a Mariners' brunch reception in the Fellowship Hall sponsored by Pilgrim Men in Mission. Please join us in support of this worthy ministry.

**PSALM 63:1-8**

*Antiphon: O God, eagerly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you.*

O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you;  
my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

**So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,  
beholding your power and glory.**

Because your steadfast love is better than life,  
my lips will praise you.

**So I will bless you as long as I live;**

**I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,  
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips

**when I think of you on my bed,  
and meditate on you in the watches of the night;**

for you have been my help,  
and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.

**My soul clings to you;  
your right hand upholds me.**

*Antiphon: O God, eagerly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you.*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit;

**as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be forever. Amen.**

*The offertory we are singing during Lent is "Create in Me a Clean Heart," # 188 in the Service Music section of the hymnal located between the Psalms and the hymns. Those of you who remember the old red hymnal (before the green hymnal used most recently) may recognize the melody.*

**OFFERTORY PRAYER:**

**Eternal Father, we watch and wait in hope for spring. By these offerings we confess our faith that you will surround us with new life. Revive us with the season that through us you may provide more daily bread for all. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Order of Worship**

*ELW Setting 1*

Prelude

\*Confession and Forgiveness p. 94

\***Hymn *Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty* # 777**  
(v. 1-4)

\*Greeting p. 98

\*First Prayer

*Greetings from Rev. Thomas Anderson*

*Twin Ports Ministry to Seafarers*

First Lesson Jeremiah 3:12-14, 22

Psalms 63:1-8 (*spoken*) Bulletin

Second Lesson Hebrews 3:7-14

\*Gospel Acclamation (*sung*) p. 103

\*Gospel Luke 13:1-9

Sermon Rev. Mark Hillmer

"Repent!"

\***Hymn *Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer* # 618**

\*Apostles Creed p. 105

\*Prayers & Sharing the Peace

Offering

Musical Offering Men's Chorus

\***Offertory # 188**

*Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.*

*Cast me not away from your presence,  
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.*

*Restore unto me the joy of your salvation,  
and uphold me with your free Spirit.*

\*Offertory Prayer Bulletin

\*Great Thanksgiving (*spoken*) p. 107-108, 111

\*Lord's Prayer p. 112

Lamb of God (*spoken*) p. 112

Holy Communion

**Distribution Hymns: # 328, 482, 755, 785**

\*Communion Blessing

\*Post-communion Prayer p. 114

Blessing

*Announcements*

\*Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

\***Hymn *Eternal Father, Strong to Save* # 756**

Postlude

*Pilgrim Men in Mission invite you to the Seafarers' Brunch Reception in the Fellowship Hall.*



**SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 3:7-14**

A lesson from Hebrews:

Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, as on the day of testing in the wilderness, where your ancestors put me to the test, though they had seen my works for forty years.

Therefore I was angry with that generation, and I said, 'They always go astray in their hearts, and they have not known my ways.' As in my anger I swore, 'They will not enter my rest.'"

Take care, brothers and sisters, that none of you may have an evil, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," so that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.

For we have become partners of Christ, if only we hold our first confidence firm to the end.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Prelude**

*Partita on 'Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer'*

Hopson



*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

Callahan, arr. Stearns

**Musical Offering**

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

Allen, arr. Hanson

*You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore*

Gabarain, arr. Hanson

**Postlude**

*Fanfare Recessional*

Wagner

**HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 13:1-9**

Glory to you, O Lord.

Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. Jesus answered, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them -- do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish."

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree, planted in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it, but did not find any. So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, 'For three years now I've been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?' "'Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.'"

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Wednesday Lenten Services through March 24**

**12:00 Noon Worship (bag lunch)**

**6:00 Soup Supper**

**6:45 Worship**



Sign up on the kiosk to bring crock pots of soup to share.

**Serving This Week At Pilgrim**

- Ushers:** Team 5: Dale Johnson, Capt.
- Asst. Minister:** Bill Ellison
- Lector:** Rhonda Sande
- Acolytes:** Chris Carey & Lindsay Maki
- Radio:** Sue Winner
- Driver:** Greg Elonen
- Altar Guild:** Diana & Nancy
- Greeter:** Lucy Johnson
- Coffee Server:** Don & Esther Anderson
- Nursery Attendant:** Robin Madsen

*The Third Sunday of Lent  
Mariners' Sunday*

*March 7, 2010  
10:00 a.m. Service*



*Curt Hanson, Choir Director  
Jean Sweeney, Bell Choir Director  
Cedric Johnson, Maintenance  
Curt Hanson, Office Manager  
Rev. William J. Wilson STS, Pastor*

*Todd Sletten, Organist  
Karen Lee, Custodian  
Esther Anderson, Lay Ministry Coordinator  
Rev. Donald Berg, Pastor Emeritus  
Rev. Brian Konkol, Missionary in So. Africa*

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