# ALL SAINTS Presbyterian Church Third Sunday of Lent March 23, 2025

# † CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God! We are gathered in the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Let us give thanks to the Lord.

#### We give thanks to the Lord.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord be with you.

#### And also with you.

Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; And he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

Let us seek the LORD while he may be found; and call upon him while he is near

Isaiah 55:1-2, 6

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

# † COLLECT & 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 debts, as we have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Crown Him With Many Crowns—293

## CORPORATE READING OF GOD'S WORD

LORD, do not rebuke me in your anger or discipline me in your wrath. Your arrows have pierced me, and your hand has come down on me.

Because of your wrath there is no health in my body; there is no soundness in my bones because of my sin.My guilt has overwhelmed me like a burden too heavy to bear.

LORD, I wait for you;you will answer, Lord my God.For I said, "Do not let them gloat or exalt themselves over me when my feet slip."

For I am about to fall, and my pain is ever with me.

I confess my iniquity; I am troubled by my sin.

Many have become my enemies without cause; those who hate me without reason are numerous.

Those who repay my good with evil lodge accusations against me, though I seek only to do what is good.

LORD, do not forsake me; do not be far from me, my God. Come quickly to help me, my Lord and my Savior.

Psalm 38:1-4, 15-22

## **‡** CONFESSION OF SIN

Most holy and merciful Father, we confess before you our sinful nature and our many offenses. We are prone to do evil and slow to do good. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your way, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Lord, we are ashamed and sorry for all the ways that we have displeased you. Father, teach us to hate our rebellious acts, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of your Son. Hear us now as we continue in silent prayer, confessing our sins to you.

[We pause in prayer, and then conclude together...]

Gracious Father, help us to love you with all our heart and mind and strength, and give us the power of your Holy Spirit so that we may walk in your ways and serve you all of our days. Amen.

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God-415

† ABSOLUTION: Our Assurance of Forgiveness is declared In the Name of God the Father, Son, & Holy Spirit Thanks be to God!

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Jesus, Lover of My Soul-358

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH We join together praying for the church, one another, and the world

Scripture Lesson from the Old Testament Genesis 41:1-16 Scripture Lesson from the Epistles Romans 5:12-21

This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God!

**† Gospel Lesson**—Mark 8:22-26

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ Praise be to Christ!

# † CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Gloria Patri-436

† Sermon Text Genesis 20

## Sermon

*Justifying Faithlessness* Pastor Geoff Shaw

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Come, Thou Fount-insert

<sup>+</sup> The congregation is invited to stand

#### In Grateful Response We Present the Lord's Tithes & Our Offerings

*†* CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *The Doxology* 

† Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication

#### + CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

Christians, in whom do you believe?

I believe in God the Father Almighty; Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hades. On the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come 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.

#### THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper should not be observed in individual homes.

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling-313

**†** BENEDICTION AND SINGING

Lead on, O King eternal: We follow not with fears, For gladness breaks like morning Where're Thy face appears: Thy cross is lifted o're us; We journey in its light; The crown awaits the conquest; Lead on, O God of might.

Lead On, O King Eternal [KINGS LYNN], verse 3

# TODAY

**Baptism and Reception**—Selah Tigist Turner will be baptized at the beginning of our service. Please join us for a reception in the Fellowship Hall after our service.

## THIS WEEK

**Wednesday**—**Midweek at All Saints**—Join us in the Fellowship Hall Wednesday evening for a meal, a time of Bible study, and singing. Please refer to the email sign-up that will be sent this evening to RSVP.

5:30 - 6:15 p.m.—Dinner provided by the church

6:15 - 7:00 p.m.—Bible Study

7:00 - 7:30 p.m.—Hymn Sing

**Thursday—Eschatology Debate**—Pastor Jeffery will participate in this debate hosted by the Oaks Tutorials here at ASPC. For further details and to sign up for the provided babysitting, please see the recent email or contact Mrs. Candis Brandt at canbclassical12@gmail.com.

5:30 p.m.—Potluck Dinner (speakers will be guests at dinner)

6:30 p.m.—Debate Begins

7:45 p.m.—Cookie Reception

Friday—Ladies Fellowship Event—Biblical Intimacy—7:00-8:00 pm in the Parlor. This event is for married ladies who are members or regular attenders of ASPC. For details email nicole.jeffery@gmail.com.

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March 31-June 2—Facing Death: A Pastoral Theology of Death and Dying. A 10-week course from the Reformed Evangelical Seminary, taught by Pastor Jeffery on Zoom, Monday evenings 7-8 p.m. Free to ASPC members. Contact Mrs. Lokey at kim@allsaintskirk.com for more information or to sign up.

April 17 & 18—Maundy Thursday and Good Friday Services

April 20-Easter Feaster (in lieu of our April Fellowship Meal)

June 7-Pentecost Celebration (more details to come)



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