

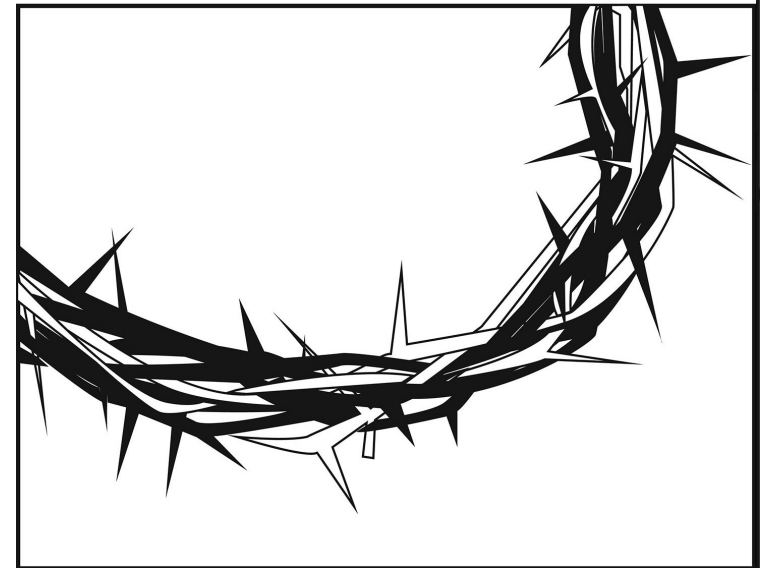
We are Sent with God's Blessing

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "What Wondrous Love"

LUYH 164:1

FIRST Sunday in Lent



March 5, 2017

Worship Participants

Pastor: Kory Plockmeyer ✦ Piano: Jill Friend, Ranita Badudu ✦ Guitar: Ben Lappenga
 Sound: Marv Wielard ✦ Projection: John Kok
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Psalm 32:5

Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity.
 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord."
 And you forgave the guilt of my sin.

God Gathers Us for Worship

Welcome

Lenten Prayer of Preparation

Lord God, in this season of Lent
we look forward to our remembrance of Jesus' death
and our celebration of this resurrection.
We pray that your Spirit will renew in us today
our anticipation for these events
and our awareness that Jesus' death and resurrection
are a sure source of hope and life.
In the power of Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

*Call to Worship: Psalm 32:11†

Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, you righteous;
Sing, all you who are upright in heart!

*Gathering Song: "I Rejoiced When I Heard Them Say" LUYH 508:1,2,4

*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

*Song of Praise: "You Are My Hiding Place" LUYH 412

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Call to Confession (based on Psalm 32:2-3.5-7)

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: "How Blest Are They Whose Trespass" LUYH 669:1,2,4

† During the season of Lent, we will be using the Lectionary Psalm each week to frame our worship. This week we focus on Psalm 32.

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Children's Blessing: "Ubi caritas et amor/Live in Charity" LUYH 154

Children ages 3 years old through Kindergarten are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary to receive a prayer of blessing before going downstairs to the Multi-Purpose Room for a time of worship designed especially for young children. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service.

Scripture: Psalm 32† p.869

Sermon: "The Hope of Forgiveness" Pastor Kory Plockmeyer

*Song of Response: "Jesus Loves Me" LUYH 709

We Offer our Gifts and Prayers

Offertory Prayer

We Offer our Gifts

Each week at Covenant we receive a monetary offering to support the mission and ministry of the church. This morning's offering will support the General/Building Fund. Offerings for the General Fund keep our church operating and pay for a wide range of denominational ministries while the Building Fund offerings are used to cover major project expenses for the church.

We Share Our Joys and Concerns and Pray for One Another

We Dedicate Ourselves to Holy Living

*Affirmation of Faith: "True Faith" LUYH 342

*Song: "My Song Is Love Unknown" LUYH 148:1,2,6

† Thank you to Ranita Badudu for composing the "soundtrack" to our Psalm reading today.