

## God Provides a Table in the Wilderness

The Institution: 1 Corinthians 11

Prayer of Consecration, concluding with the 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 forgive our debtors.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

The Invitation

*We invite you to come down the center aisle to the communion table at the front of the sanctuary. You may partake at the table or take it back to your seats to partake there.*

Communion Song: "Speak, O Lord" LUYH 755  
"Don't Be Afraid" LUYH 429

## We Are Sent as Disciples

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Sending

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song: "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" LUYH 590:1,2,8

### Worship Participants

Pastor: Dr. Joel Kok ♦ Piano: Mike Janssen ♦ Guitar: Laremy DeVries ♦ Worship Leader: Phil Postma  
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### Hearing Assistance

A telecoil hearing-loop system sends a signal into the sanctuary. If your hearing aid is t-coil equipped, try switching to the t-coil receiver. An FM hearing assistance system is also available for ears without hearing aids. Consult the sound operator for assistance.



# Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 19, 2023



## A Table in the Wilderness

### 1 Kings 19:5b-9a

Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. He ate and drank and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you." He got up and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there.

## God Gathers Us

Welcome

\*Call to Worship: Psalm 145:13-16 p.980

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,  
and your dominion endures through all generations.

**The Lord is trustworthy in all he promises  
and faithful in all he does.**

The Lord upholds all who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.

**The eyes of all look to you,  
and you give them their food at the proper time.**

You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing.

\*Song: "Blessed Be Your Name" LUYH 343

\*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

\*Song: "The Mighty God with Power Speaks" LUYH 9

## We Journey into the Wilderness

Prayer of Confession

**Almighty and most merciful Father,  
we have erred, and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.**

**We have followed too much  
the devices and desires of our own hearts.**

**We have offended against your holy laws.**

**We have left undone those things  
which we ought to have done;**

**and we have done those things  
which we ought not to have done;**

**and there is nothing good in us.**

**O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.**

**Spare those, O God, who confess their faults.**

**Restore those who are penitent;**

**according to your promises declared unto mankind  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Grant that we may live a godly, righteous, and sober life;  
to the glory of His name. Amen.**

Words of Assurance: Psalm 50:9-15

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I have no need of a bull from your stall  
or of goats from your pens,

for every animal of the forest is mine,  
and the cattle on a thousand hills.

I know every bird in the mountains,  
and the insects in the fields are mine.

If I were hungry, I would not tell you,  
for the world is mine, and all that is in it.

Do I eat the flesh of bulls  
or drink the blood of goats?

**Sacrifice thank offerings to God,  
fulfill your vows to the Most High,  
and call on me in the day of trouble;  
I will deliver you, and you will honor me.**

Offering Announcement

*Offering our gifts is an important part of our response to God—connecting our worship with a life of discipleship—and is a way to participate in the ministry of Covenant CRC here in this building and around the world. Offering boxes are located at the entrances to the sanctuary, or check your bulletin announcements for more ways to give.*

Prayers for the Church and World

## God Feeds Us with His Word

Children's Blessing: "Taste and See" LUYH 817 (chorus)

Leader & Congregation: **The Lord be with you.**

Kids & Helpers: And also with you.

Leader & Congregation: **God bless you as you worship.**

Kids & Helpers: God bless you as you worship.

*Children ages 3 years old through kindergarten are invited to go 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 Reading: I Kings 19:1-18

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Message: "God as Companion"

Pastor Joel Kok

\*Song of Response: "What Wondrous Love"

LUYH 164:1-3