



ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
LE SUEUR, MINNESOTA
THE REV. JANET CRISSINGER, PASTOR

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 10, 2024

9:00 A.M.

*The Church is the Church only when it exists for others...
not dominating, but helping and serving. It must tell men and women of every
calling what it means to live for Christ, to exist for others.*

The Rev. Dr. Dietrich Bonhoeffer,
Lutheran pastor martyred in a Nazi concentration camp on April 9, 1945

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING REFLECTION

Revive Us, O Lord

Shift Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP

The spirit of God calls us from many places;
Some of us come from busy homes with many people. Some of us live alone, yet...

We are all part of a family.

This week has been different for each of us;
Some of us have had happy news we want to celebrate; Some of us have faced grief and the
need to cry, yet...

We are all members of God's household.

We come to this holy house;
All of us seeking God's presence in our lives, Community and a deeper purpose, because...

Together we are a community of faith.

We gather to worship the Lord,
Who knows us better than we know ourselves,
loves us unconditionally,
teaches us through Word and Spirit, and comforts us in times of need.

Let us worship God.

*HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory

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CONFESSION

***Creator God, you made us to be neighbors, members of one family, blessed with
great diversity. You created us to be helpers and friends to one another, entrusting to us
your justice and power.***

**Yet justice is often denied to many in our world. There are worlds of poverty, pain,
lost opportunities, and the absence of hope. In so many ways, we break each other's
hearts. Still, you do not reject us. We ask your forgiveness and pray to be made new.**

**Through the power of your Spirit, shape us to be for others what Christ is for us:
pardon and peace, new life and blessing. We pray this in His name. Amen.**

*FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THREE-FOLD AMEN

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE

I Corinthians 12:12-31

May God add a blessing to the reading and hearing of the holy word.

Amen.

GOSPEL

John 3:14-21

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

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O Savior, Let Me Walk With You

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

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*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE



**You are invited to stand, as you are able.*