PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

March 30, 2025, 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Pastor Christian Magnell

WELCOME AND GREETING

HYMN "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Father, you are not only enthroned in Heaven,

but you are also present here by the moving of your Spirit.

Help us to pay attention to your presence in worship

and to seek to know and do your will in our lives.

Lord God, we pray "your will be done" but how often do we pursue the wrong things at the wrong time? Guide us to consider our lives. (time for reflection) Let's pray together:

Father God, we've failed to do your will. We've sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We haven't loved you with our whole heart and we haven't loved our neighbors as ourselves. We ask that you forgive us in the name, and for the sake, of Jesus. Renew us and lead us, that we can live out your will in our lives.

Friends, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. You are renewed daily and filled with the Spirit to live for God and the people around us.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S SERMON

"Making the Call"

"Build Your Kingdom Here"

BAPTISM (10:30) - Michael Gordon Shilts

READING: Psalm 23

HYMN

A classic prayer of the Old Testament, we see foreshadowing of the Lord's Prayer – for example: we shall not want and give us our daily bread. God provides. He protects us from evil and from temptation.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. ² He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. ³ He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. ⁴ Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I

will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

SECOND READING: James 5:13-18

Prayer is both simple and powerful. Here James reminds us of Elijah as he urges prayer.

¹³ Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. ¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore, confess your

sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. ¹⁷ Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸ Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

God is good.

All the time.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 6:5-15

Again – prayer is simple. We don't need to craft fancy words or endless repetition. Instead, we pray as Jesus taught us to pray.

⁵ "And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ⁶ But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. ⁷ "And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask

him. ⁹ Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. ¹⁰ Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread, ¹² and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³ And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. ¹⁴ For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, ¹⁵ but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION All the time.

God is good!

HYMN

"As It Is in Heaven"

SERMON – "Prayers of the Bible – The Lord's Prayer"

PRAYER AT RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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THE LORD'S PRAYER
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PRAYER AND BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

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And now may the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and b
gracious to you; the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace!

Amen!

CLOSING SONG "The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)"

DISMISSAL

Let's go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Sermon Notes - March 30th, 2025

"The Lord's Prayer"

Use the _____ – Psalm 23

Scripture is given by the Spirit.

We see the Lord's Prayer in Psalm 23.

Listen to _____ – Matthew 6:5-8

"5 And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites."

Christian prayer is a conversation not an incantation.

Pray then — Matthew 6:9-15

When Jesus says to do something it's probably a good idea to do it.

Try reading it from the Bible instead of memory