

Lord's Prayer (spoken)

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen

Blessing (sung)

The Lord bless you and keep you
Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you
The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace
Amen, amen, amen. Amen, amen, amen

Bell

Sending Hymn: Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

Guide me ever, great Redeemer. Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
Feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain where the healing waters flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
Shield me with your mighty arm, shield me with your mighty arm.

Dismissal: Go in peace. Serve in love. **Thanks be to God.**

Mark your calendars:

- Wednesday, March 1st - Lenten Dinner at 6/Service at 7PM -Nora
- Sunday, March 5th – 9am at Nora, 10am Sunday School and 11am Service at Kirkebo. Pastor Melissa Pickering presiding.
- Wednesday, March 8th -Lenten Dinner at 6/Service at 7PM -Kirkebo

March Nora Ushers: Eric & Rebecca Rensvold and Kim Haisley

Perley Parish
First Sunday in Lent
February 26, 2023



Prelude and Bell

Gathering Hymn: A Mighty Fortress is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe does seek to work us woe;
his craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

That Word above all earthly powers no thanks to them abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever!

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Holy God,
we confess to you our faults and failings. Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy words; we take for ourselves instead of giving to others; we spoil rather than steward your creation; we cause hurt though you call us to heal; we choose fear over compassion. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, as we seek to follow in your way of life. Amen

Prayer of the Day: Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord., who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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Psalm 32 (Read Responsively)

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven; whose sin is covered. **Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit, there is no deceit.** While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long. **For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.** Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the guilt of my sin. **Therefore, let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.** You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance. **I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.** Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you. **Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD.** Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

First Reading: Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19
Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel according to Matthew 4:1-11, **Glory to you O Lord**
The Gospel of our Lord, **Praise to you, O Christ**

Children's Message

Message

Hymn of the Day/Offering: When Peace Like A River
When peace like a river attendeth my way. When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say
It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend
Even so, it is well with my soul
It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul

Offering Response – *We give thee but thine own, whatever the gift may be. All that we have is thine alone a trust o, Lord in thee.*

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy catholic Church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the people: (Merciful God, receive our Prayer)

Meal

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

Words of Institution

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.
Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.