

Lent 2023

# Listening TO EACH OTHER

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT  
MARCH 12 / 9:30 AM WORSHIP



\* Congregational responses in **bold**

## Gathering Music

*Sarabande*  
*There is a Balm in Gilead*

Jason W. Krug  
arr. Michael Helman

## Words of Welcome

## Call to Worship

*God So Loved the World*

Sonia

## Processional Hymn

*Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty* (Stanzas 1, 3, 4 and 6)

ELW 777

## Greeting

The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## Kyrie

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## Promises of Baptism

**Eleanor Mari Bedel**  
Daughter of Bradley & Jessica Bedel

In mercy and love, God gives new birth to all into a living hope through the promises of baptism. Recognizing our human need, we celebrate God's dependable goodness, infinite new starts, and continued claim on our lives. Today, we especially celebrate that God claims Eleanor as God's own, takes delight in her, and surrounds her with love.

Bradley & Jessica called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ? Response: We do.

As you bring Eleanor, to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with her among God's faithful people, to bring her to Jesus' sacred meal, to place in her hands the Holy Scriptures, nurturing her in faith and grounding her in prayer, so that she will learn to trust God, proclaim Christ, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help her grow in her Christian faith and life? Response: We do.

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Eleanor, in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the promise of baptism and to live among God's faithful people. Response: We do.

Dear People of God, do you promise to surround Eleanor with love and grace, and pray for her in her life in Christ? **Response: We do.**

## Apostle's Creed

Do you believe in God the Father? **We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? **We 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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? **We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Baptism

### Prayer

**We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you claim your children as your own. Sustain Eleanor with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the awe of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. Amen.**

## Welcome

Together let us welcome our sibling in Christ. **We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share. Join us in giving thanks and praise to God, and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

## Anthem

*This Little Light of Mine*

Sunday School Grades 1 and 2

## First Reading

Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 95

Come, let us sing | to the Lord;

let us shout for joy to the rock of | our salvation.

**Let us come before God's presence | with thanksgiving  
and raise a loud shout to the | Lord with psalms.**

For you, Lord, | are a great God,

and a great ruler a- | bove all gods.

**In your hand are the caverns | of the earth;  
the heights of the hills are | also yours.**

The sea is yours, | for you made it,

and your hands have molded | the dry land.

**Come, let us worship | and bow down,  
let us kneel before the | Lord our maker.**

For the Lord is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep | of God's hand.

Oh, that today you would | hear God's voice!

**"Harden | not your hearts,  
as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah | in the desert.**

There your ancestors | tested me,

they put me to the test, though they had | seen my works.

**Forty years I loathed that gener- | ation, saying,  
'The heart of this people goes astray; they do not | know my ways.'**

Indeed I swore | in my anger,

'They shall never come | to my rest.'"

## Gospel Acclamation

*Glory and praise to you, O Lord Jesus Christ*

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## Gospel

John 4:5-42

The Holy Gospel reading in John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus] came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of

*(Gospel Continued on the next page)*

water gushing up to eternal life.” The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.” Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come back.” The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!” The woman said to him, “Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.” Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming” (who is called Christ). “When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.” Jesus said to her, “I am he, the one who is speaking to you.” Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you want?” or, “Why are you speaking with her?” Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, “Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?” They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, “Rabbi, eat something.” But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.” So the disciples said to one another, “Surely no one has brought him something to eat?” Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, ‘Four months more, then comes the harvest’? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor.” Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I have ever done.” So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world.”

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** “Gushing Up to Eternal Life: Listening to Other Voices” Pastor Paul Pettersen

**Hymn of the Day** *Gather Us In* (Stanzas 1, 2, and 4) ELW 532

**Thanks for Your Generosity and Sharing of the Peace**

**Music at the Offering** *Lord, for Thy Tender Mercy’s Sake* Richard Farrant

**Noisy Offering | Offertory Response**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heav’nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*(Children are invited to cheerfully bring their “Noisy Offering” to the front during the Doxology.)*

**Prayers of the People**

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

**Blessing**

**Sending Hymn** *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* ELW 543

**Sending**

Go in peace and serve the Lord! **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**Sending Music** *Prelude and Fugue in E Minor* J. S. Bach

## WELCOME TO NORMANDALE



### WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Normandale Lutheran Church is a community of believers who love, learn, worship, and serve as we walk in relationship with Jesus Christ and others. We hope you find in us a place of welcome, a place of worship, a place for you. Please sign the "Connect" pad in the pew so we can reach out to you!

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## SUNDAY AT NORMANDALE

Join us for Coffee, Donuts & Fellowship in the Fireside Room following worship.

**Livestream** of Sunday worship is available as a way to participate in the regular worship life of our congregation. Visit [normluth.org/livestream](http://normluth.org/livestream) to watch from wherever you are.

**Hymnals** are located in the pew backs. Both the ELW (red) and ACS (purple) hymnals are used in worship.

**Hearing Devices** are available to enhance your worship experience. Please ask an usher if you need assistance

### NLC Kids

**Nursery Care** is available every Sunday morning for children between the ages of 6 months and 4 years from 9:20 - 11:30am. The Nursery is located on the first floor and is staffed by licensed preschool teachers. Please use this opportunity for your children to meet some new friends at Normandale!

**PrayGround** is located at the front of the worship space and is filled with quiet toys and comfy seating for the littlest in our midst and their caregivers.

**Busy Bags** filled with quiet activities are hanging outside the main entrance of the sanctuary.

**Bulletins & Coloring Sheets** are located on a table outside of the main sanctuary doors.

### Noisy Offering

Children are invited to cheerfully bring their "Noisy Offering" to the front during the Offertory Response. This offering will help support the Children's Ministry and be collected every Sunday.

### Sunday School | 10:40-11:20am

Pre K & K - Room 110  
Grades 1 & 2 - Multi Purpose Room South  
Grades 3 & 4 - Rehearsal Room

### WAYS TO GIVE

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## WORSHIP LEADERS

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Liturgists:  
Organist/Choir Director:  
Cantor:  
Choirs:  
Cherub Choir Director:  
Cherub Choir Accompanist:  
Handbell Choir Director:  
Acolyte:  
Baptismal Deacon:  
Crucifer  
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Ushers:  
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### We Need You

Help make Sunday happen!  
Our volunteers make worship possible. Interested in learning more about the ways you can serve or want to sign up? Contact Kim Sannerud at [ksannerud@normluth.org](mailto:ksannerud@normluth.org) or 952.977.9380