

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD
Midweek Lent Worship
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Erin Heidelberger, Pastor
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PRELUDE *Hymns of the Cross* Janet Linker

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God,
who reconciled us to himself through Christ.

We are new creations;

the old has gone, the new has come!

Let us worship God as Christ's ambassadors.

**Through us and through our worship
may we announce the good news to all.**

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

Praise God! We are reconciled, redeemed, renewed!

HYMN

Restore in Us, O God

ELW #328



1 Re - store in us, O God, the splen - dor of your love; re -
2 O Spir - it, wake in us the won - der of your pow'r; from
3 Bring us, O Christ, to share the full - ness of your joy; bap -
4 Three-per - soned God, ful - fill the prom - ise of your grace, that



new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.
fruit-less fear un - furl our lives like spring-time bud and flow'r.
tize us in the ris - en life that death can - not de - stroy.
we, when all our search-ing ends, may see you face to face.

PRAYER

Gracious Creator, you formed us in your image in the midst of a world beyond our knowledge and understanding. Continue to weave us together in community with all created things and to deepen our awareness of the ways you connect us to the world. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE Genesis 1:26-31

²⁶Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

²⁷So God created humankind in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

²⁸God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." ²⁹God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

MESSAGE

Pastor Erin Heidelberger

HYMN

God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

ELW #771



1 God, who stretched the span - gled heav - ens in - fi - nite in time and place,
 2 We have ven - tured worlds un - dreamed of since the child-hood of our race;
 3 As each far ho - ri - zon beck - ons, may it chal-lenge us a - new:



flung the suns in burn-ing ra - diance through the si - lent fields of space:
 known the ec - sta - sy of wing-ing through un - trav-eled realms of space;
 chil - dren of cre - a - tive pur - pose, serv - ing oth - ers, hon - 'ring you.



we, your chil - dren in your like-ness, share in - ven - tive pow'rs with you;
 probed the se - crets of the at - om, yield-ing un - i - mag - ined pow'r,
 May our dreams prove rich with prom-ise; each en-deav-or well be - gun;



great Cre - a - tor, still cre - at - ing, show us what we yet may do.
 fac - ing us with life's de - struc - tion or our most tri - um-phant hour.
 great Cre - a - tor, give us guid - ance till our goals and yours are one.

PRAYERS

BENEDICTION

Almighty God bless you and direct your days and your deeds in peace. **Amen.**

HYMN

Christ, the Life of All the Living

ELW #339



1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of death, our foe,
 2 You have suf - fered great af - flic - tion and have borne it pa - tient - ly,
 3 Then, for all that bought my par - don, for the sor - rows deep and sore,



Christ, your - self for me once giv - ing to the dark - est depths of woe:
 e - ven death by cru - ci - fix - ion, ful - ly to a - tone for me;
 for the an - guish in the gar - den, I will thank you ev - er - more;



through your suf - f'ring, death, and mer - it life e - ter - nal I in - her - it.
 for you chose to be tor - ment - ed that my doom should be pre - vent - ed.
 thank you for the groan - ing, sigh - ing, for the bleed - ing and the dy - ing,



Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks are due, dear - est Je - sus, un - to you.
 Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks are due, dear - est Je - sus, un - to you.
 for that last tri - um - phant cry, praise you ev - er - more on high.

SENDING WORDS

**Let us go out with God's love to nurture us, with God's peace to comfort us,
 and with God's truth to guide us, remembering God promises to be with us
 always!**

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE*Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery***Marty Haugen**

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Today's Worship Team

Preaching/leading worship: Pastor Erin Heidelberger

Organist: Sonya Kempf

Song Leader: Zach Anderson

Usher: Norma Miller

Sound & Livestream: Saundra Anderson

Power Point: Monica Tietz

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✝ **Join us for Wednesdays in Lent:**

12:15-12:45 PM – Traditional midweek worship

6:00-6:30 PM – Praise Band-led midweek worship

February 24; March 7, 14 & 21

✝ **Holy Week:**

Palm Sunday, March 28 at 8:30 AM

**Maundy Thursday, April 1 at 6:00 PM (5th Grade
First Communion)**

Good Friday, April 2 at 6:00 PM

**Easter Sunday, April 4 at 7:15 AM, 8:30 AM &
9:45 AM**