

*Fourth Wednesday in Lent
March 25, 2020 6:30 p.m.*

St. John's Lutheran Church

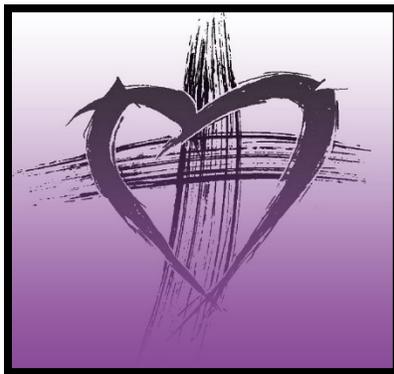
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Welcome . . .

Week of Lent 4: Change of Heart

Jesus' words to the Pharisees give us pause: "You honor me with your lips, but your hearts are far from me." Jesus invites us to experience a change of heart that will in fact change every part of our lives.



ELW Evening Prayer

DIALOGUE

(Song of Sol. 8:6, Ps. 139:23-24)

Beloved, set me as a seal upon your heart,
as a seal upon your arm.

For love is strong as death;
passion fierce as the grave.

**O God, search me and know my heart;
test me and know my thoughts.**

**See if there is any wicked way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.**

THANKSGIVING FOR LIGHT

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning you called light into being,
and you set light in the sky
to govern night and day.

In a pillar of cloud by day
and a pillar of fire by night
you led your people into freedom.

Enlighten our darkness by the light of your Christ:
may your Word be a lamp to our feet

and a light to our path;
for you are merciful,
and you love your whole creation,
and with all your creatures we give you glory,
through your Son Jesus Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
now and forever.

Amen.

PSALMODY

ELW Psalm 119:1-16

¹Happy are they whose | way is blameless,
who follow the teaching | of the LORD!

²**Happy are they who observe | your decrees
and seek you with | all their hearts,**

³who never do | any wrong,
but always walk | in your ways.

⁴**You laid down | your commandments,
that we should | fully keep them.**

⁵Oh, that my ways were made | so direct
that I might | keep your statutes!

⁶**Then I should not be | put to shame,
when I regard all | your commandments.**

⁷I will thank you with | a true heart,
when I have learned your | righteous judgments.

⁸**I will | keep your statutes;
do not utter- | ly forsake me.**

⁹How shall the young keep | their way clean?
By keeping | to your word.

¹⁰**With my whole | heart I seek you;
let me not stray from | your commandments.**

¹¹I treasure your promise | in my heart,
that I may not | sin against you.

¹²**Blessed are | you, O LORD;
instruct me | in your statutes.**

¹³With my lips | I recite
all the judgments | of your mouth.

¹⁴**I take greater delight in the way of | your decrees
than in all man- | ner of riches.**

¹⁵I will meditate on | your commandments
and give attention | to your ways.

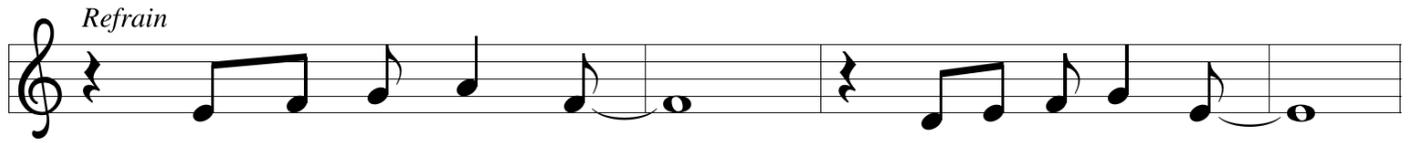
¹⁶**My delight is | in your statutes;
I will not for- | get your word.**

READING

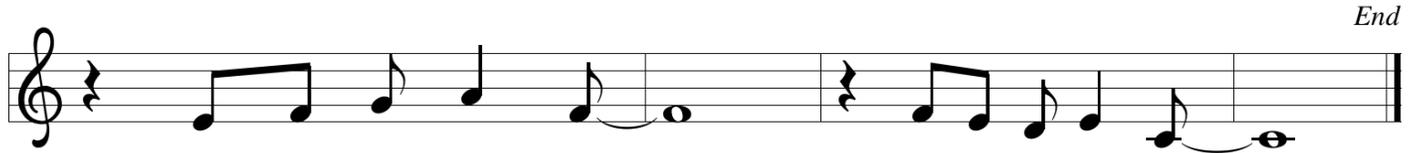
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

REFLECTIONS

Change My Heart, O God



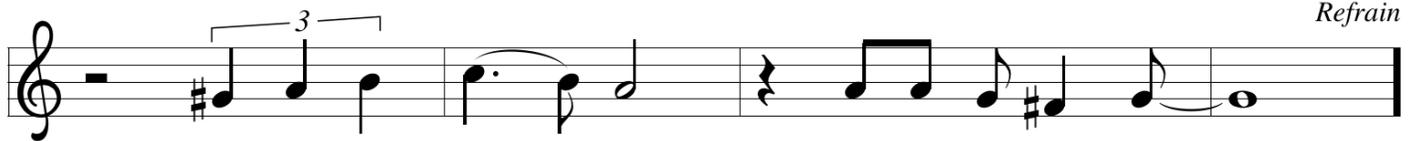
Change my heart, O God; make it ev - er true.



Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.



You are the pot - ter; I am the clay.



Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.

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PRAYERS

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the health of the creation, for abundant harvests that all may share, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For public servants, the government, and those who protect us; for those who work to bring peace, justice, healing, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel, for those who are sick and suffering, and for those who are in captivity, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance in the time of affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all servants of the church, for this assembly, and for all people who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

A time of silence follows.



Giving thanks for all who have gone before us and are at rest, rejoicing in the communion of all the saints, we commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to you, through Christ our Lord.

To you, O Lord.

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**O triune God in heaven above,
your blessed name we hallow.
Your kingdom come,
your will be done
in this world as in heaven;
give bread for each new day begun;
our sins be all forgiven,
as we forgive what others do;
in every trial see us through;**

from evil save us. Amen.

BLESSING

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus.

Amen.

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- **Mobile Phone:** Scan the QR code provided here to access our mobile giving site and follow the prompts.
- **Our Website** – on your computer, go to www.stjohnschehalis.net and click on the “donate” button
- **Online Banking** – Arrange to give through bill-pay at your own bank's website. You will be asked for the following information:

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Questions? Contact Pastor Matt



ONLINE WORSHIP SCHEDULE

March 29 9:30am

<https://zoom.us/j/736246137>

April 1 6:30pm

<https://zoom.us/j/456315522>

Order of Worship

<http://stjohnschehalis.net/about-st-johns/worship-bulletins/>

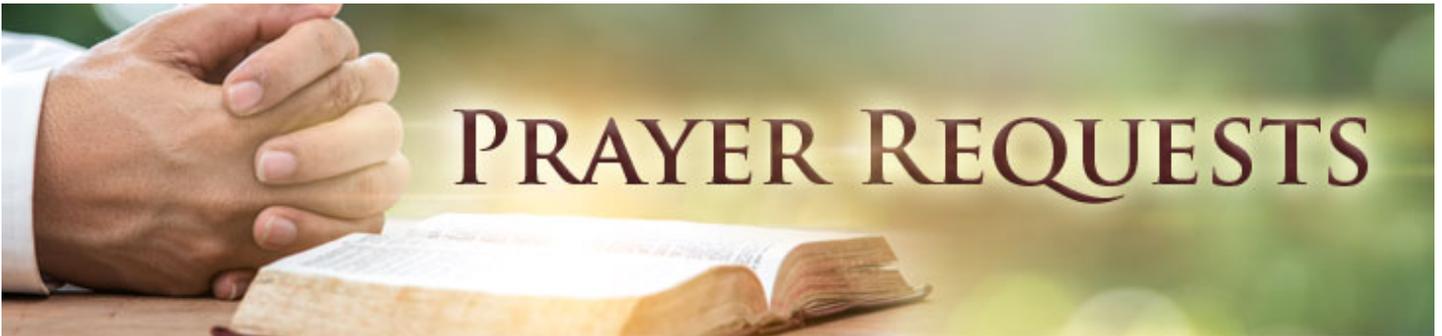
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Please continue to pray for: (Prayer shawls and lap robes are available in the library.)

- Jeff Lynch (3/31)
- Family of Merlin Young(3/31)
- Family of Robert Dolman (3/31)

***Date to Resubmit in parentheses**



Please fill out this page and turn in to Michelle in the office if you would like to add someone to the Prayer list.

(Information for internal use only)

Name and Contact information for Person needing Prayer:

(We will be sending a card of comfort)

Name:

Address:

Phone number:

Email:

Reason for Prayer:

Name of Requestor:

*Please note Names will remain on the list for 30 days. Please notify us if you would like the Prayer Request extended.

Care List

We are putting together a Care list for people who are unable or wish to stay home and not risk going in public during this time. We are getting great response from people willing to help. Please reach out to us if you are in need of anything.

How this will work, if you would like to be put on the list to help, please respond with your name and a good contact number. As we get requests I will assign a person from the list. You will be contacted with the request (example: Mary is out of Milk) Next request will be assigned to the next person and so on.

If you are in need of something also feel free to respond to this email. You can also call the office and we will get back to you.

We will get through this together! (well 6 feet apart anyway)

Please Email office@stjohnschehalis.net or Call 360-748-4741