



Hope Lutheran Church

Order of Worship

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 19, 2023

Pastor Beth Schultz Byrnes
Music provided by Pat Tatzel

Prelude

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Gathering Hymn *"All Are Welcome"*

Greeting

Kyrie

Prayer of the Day

Children's Time

Apostles' 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 saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

Sharing the Peace

The Great Thanksgiving

Words of Jesus

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

Communion Distribution

Post Communion Prayer

Sunday School Dismissal

Hymn of the Day *"The Table"*

Reading Psalm 45:6-7

Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever.

Your royal scepter is a scepter of equity;
you love righteousness and hate wickedness.

Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.

Gospel Reading Matthew 22:1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and

killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Sermon

Blessing

Announcements

Sending Hymn....."*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*" [red 742]

Dismissal

Postlude