

# Awakening Worship | 8:15 am | March 8, 2020

## Second Sunday of Lent

Pastor Steve Klemz || Presiding + Preaching



### Gather

Call to Worship (*Rachel Kibler, Cantor*)

*We walk in wilderness, darkness ahead,  
and temptations all around us, we hear the siren song.  
We know that the path is rocky and crooked,  
and we know that it may end before the morning comes.  
But Jesus walks with us and forgives us our sins.  
He holds his hand out to us and bears the cross for us.  
While we walk in wilderness, we will not fear,  
for we trust the resurrection, we trust the Son will rise.*

Greeting

Spiritual Stretch

Prayer of the Day

### Word

John 3:1-17 (*Page 863 in your pew Bible*)

Message with a question for the day; this is conversational (*Silence for meditation*)

"In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful" (*sung 4x*) - *Page 10 in the Awakening Song Book*

### 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.**

*\*universal*

### In honor of Nicodemus:

The Explanation of the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed from Martin Luther

The Third Article: *On Being Made Holy*

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.

What does this mean?

**I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him, but instead the Holy Spirit has called me through the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, made me holy and kept me in the true faith, just as he calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one common, true faith. Daily in this Christian church the Holy Spirit abundantly forgives all sins—mine and those of all believers. On the last day the Holy Spirit will raise me and all the dead and will give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.**

### Prayers

Begin with singing "In the Wilderness" (*Page 11 of the Awakening Song Book*)

Conclude with singing "In the Wilderness"

The Sharing of the Peace

## Meal

Offering Music | | Hymn No. 323 | | "God Loved the World" (vs. 1,4)

Holy Communion | | Gather around the altar

The Lord's Prayer (*Lord's Prayer is printed on the pew card. You are welcome to bring this forward.*)

## Sending

Benediction

Hymn No. 767 | | "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me" (vs. 1,3)

Dismissal: Go in peace. Let your light shine.

Thanks be to God.



## What's Happening at Zion

**Daylight Saving Time** – In case you were late today, Daylight Saving Time begins March 8, don't forget to "Spring Forward" and set your clocks one hour ahead.

**Girl Scout Cookies (today!)**– Our friends in Girl Scout Troop #630, who use Zion's Terrace Room for their weekly meetings, will be selling cookies during coffee hour (after 10:30 am service) in the Atrium on March 8<sup>th</sup>. Join in supporting the troop (and enjoy some classic cookies!).

**For Newcomers, the Curious and those interested in Membership** – All are welcome to join conversation with Pastor Steve about our life together in Zion on Sunday, March 22, 9:30-10:15 in the sitting area of the south entrance.

**Save the Date – Music Recital** – Our very own Rachel Kibler will give a recital about duty and rebellion on March 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at St. Paul's Episcopal (900 E and 300 S). She'll sing songs by Copland, Libby Larsen, Sondheim, and songs from movies. Join for a free, fun night of music and community.

**Looking Ahead** – Mark your calendars for future services. Please join us for Passion/Palm Sunday worship on April 5, led by the Zion children and youth and celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord on Easter Sunday on April 12. More details to follow...

**Crossroads Urban Center March Needs** – The Zion donation bin is conveniently located in the narthex just under the stairs to the loft.

- Food Pantry: Soup, cold cereal
- Thrift Store: Blankets, gloves, towels

**Attention Thrivent Members:** Don't forget to direct Choice Dollars® - Grant funding from Thrivent Financial through its Thrivent Choice® program can help support organizations you care about. Don't let Choice Dollars expire! Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have Choice Dollars available have until March 31 to direct any remaining 2019 Choice Dollars. These dollars can be directed to help support Zion and all the ministries of this great community. Go to [Thrivent.com/thriventchoice](https://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice) to learn more. Or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice".

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