



OSLC ONLINE WORSHIP
FOR LENT - 2020

WELCOME

CONFESSION

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of heaven and earth, you come in close and make us yours.
Equip us by your Spirit to confess our sin, embrace your forgiveness,
and seek the way you set before us in your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

As we approach the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection, let us come with honest hearts to confess our sin.

Silence.

Merciful God,
our will is handcuffed to sin, and we cannot break free.
We have spoken when we should have kept quiet; forgive us.

Silence.

Merciful God,
we were silent when we should have said something; forgive us.

Silence.

Merciful God,
we acted when we knew better; forgive us.

Silence.

Merciful God,
we were still when we should have moved; forgive us.

Silence.

Merciful God,
for the wrong we have done and for the good we have failed to do,
have mercy on us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

Beloved of God,
you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God,
poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ.
Receive the promise of baptism:
You are God's child; your sins are forgiven.
Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven. **Amen.**

GREETING

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray...

GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the _____ chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel of our Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

FAMILY MINISTRY MOMENT

Families are encouraged to have some paper and crayons, legos, playdough, etc. on hand to create something from the story, or as a response to the story. Creativity is the name of the game, so let your imaginations soar!

PROCLAMATION OF THE GOOD NEWS

APOSTLES' CREED

Let us join Christians around the world in professing our faith using the words of the 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.**

INTERCESSIONS

...Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING

We are grateful for the overflowing generosity of all those who participate in our congregation's ministry. Your continued financial support, prayers, and acts of service enable us to share Christ's love and form faith from birth to senior saints. Even though we are not presently gathering in person, we invite you to continue living into the faith-practice of giving to the ministry that God has called us to. You may give online by visiting our website (www.rochesterslc.org), by mailing your gift to the church office (2124 Viola Rd NE, Rochester, MN 55906), or by starting automated giving through the 'Simply Giving' program (please contact the church office by email or phone for more information on setting this up). Again, thank you for your continued generosity and for the love of Christ that you share with the world! We need that love now more than ever!

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Holy and generous host, you set a table where we feast as friends. Prepare us to witness to your goodness with every gift you have given us to share, that all people may know your peace through Jesus Christ, now and forever. **Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

God our Provider, you give us this meal to remind us that you are always with us.

Thank you, God.

Thank you, God.

God our Savior, you give us this meal to remind us that Jesus died for us.

Thank you, God.

Thank you, God.

God our Life, you give us this meal to remind us that Jesus' love lives in us, and in the people we meet.

Thank you, God.

Thank you, God.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread,
and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Before meals we pray, so let us pray the prayer that Jesus taught us:

**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.**

DISTRIBUTION

You are invited to share the bread and wine (or grape juice) with each other, using the words: "The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you."

If you are by yourself, you may eat and drink now.

COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ, keep us united with him and with each other. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

We thank you, living God, for the body and blood of your Son, which sustains us in the wilderness and the garden alike. As Christ has loved us in this feast, give us the courage to love Christ in our neighbors. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The God of all grace ✝ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**