**OFFERTORYELW #186**

***“Create in Me”***

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

 L: God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

 **All: Amen.**

**LORD’S PRAYER Pg. 154**

**BLESSING**

 L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. **All: Amen.**

**SENDING HYMNELW #779**

***“Amazing Grace”***

**DISMISSAL**

 L: Let us go in peace and serve the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

**VOTE ON CHURCH SERVICE TIMES!**

**Due to the close number of votes and conversations during our annual meetings, SJ and FLC have put together a voting ballot of options for church service times.  In the back of church, you will find a voting ballot with six different options.**

**Please vote for ONE option and put your paper in the box provided.**

**We will collect votes from both churches during the month of March.**

**We will then tally up the results and report back to the congregations.**

***Thank you for your input!***

**Colton Lutheran Parish**

March 30th, 2025

**St. Jacobs:** Worship Service 9:00 am

**First Lutheran:** Worship Service 10:30 am

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***4th Sunday in Lent***

**PRELUDE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THE BELLS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

L: In the name of the Father, ☩ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

L: Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God’s

 abiding love.

 *Silence is kept for reflection.*

 L: Compassionate God,

 **All: you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our lives do not always reflect you and our love for the world. We do not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free again and again. We squander the abundant gifts of the earth. Transform our lives and guide us again in the way of the cross. Christ’s ways. Amen.**

 L: Beloved in Christ, God’s arms are always stretched open wide to welcome the wandering ones home. In ☩ Christ your sins are forgiven. You have a place in God’s house forever.

 **All: Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMNELW #697**

***“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”***

**GREETING Pg. 203**

 L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the

 communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

 **All:** **And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L: Let us pray together,

 **All: God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**CHILDREN’S TIME**

**1st READING Joshua 5:9-12 Bible Pg. 171**

 L: The Word of the Lord.

 **All: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 32** *(read responsively)* **Bible Pg. 440**

 L: 1 Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is

 covered.

 **All: 2 Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity**

 **and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

 L: 3 While I kept silent, my body wasted away through my groaning

 all day long.

 **All: 4 For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my**

 **strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

 L: 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my

 iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,”

 and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

 **All: 6 Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a**

 **time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach**

 **them.**

 L: 7 You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from

 trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

 **All: 8 I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.**

 L: 9 Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding, whose

 temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay

 near you.

 **All: 10 Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.**

 L: 11 Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy,

 all you upright in heart.

**2nd READING. 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Bible Pg. 940**

 L: The Word of the Lord.

 **All:** **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *“Return to God” (2x)***

**Return to God with all your heart, the source of grace and mercy; Come, seek the tender faithfulness of God.**

**GOSPEL Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 Bible Pgs. 850-851**

 L: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 15th chapter.

 **All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

 *Reading of the Gospel lesson.*

 L: The Gospel of the Lord.**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON Pastor Herb Wounded Head III**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*(St. Jacobs)* ***“Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer”* ELW #618**

*(First)* ***“This Is Amazing Grace*” Screen**

**APOSTLE’S CREED Pg. 105**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

 L: Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the

 world, and all those in need.

 *Response after each petition:*

 *L: Lord, in your mercy.*

***All:******Hear our prayer.***

 L: Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.

 **All: Amen.**

**SHARING THE PEACE**

 L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

 **All:** **And also with you.**

**OFFERING:** *Children’s Noisy Offering for The Foster Network*