

GRACE

The Holy Communion The First Sunday of Lent February 26, 2023 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

We welcome you in the name of Jesus Christ as we gather to hear God's holy Word and celebrate the meal of Holy Communion. We are blessed by your presence, just as you are. As God welcomes all people through the saving grace of Jesus, so do we seek to welcome God's people of all races, social statuses, physical and mental abilities, sexual orientations, and gender identities to be together in Christ – to love, to grow, and to serve. Should you have no church home, you are invited to consider Grace. We encourage you to fill out the perforated page on the back of the bulletin and place it in the offering plate. Welcome!

Children's resources, including activity bags, worship bulletins and booster seats, are available in the narthex and from the ushers.

Nursery care is provided at most worship services for children ages 4 and under. The nursery is located across from Fellowship Hall. From the atrium, go through the Lamb Door by the elevator, up half a flight of stairs and turn right. From the sanctuary, go through the door by the stone baptismal font, up the stairs and turn left. A silent paging system allows the nursery staff to contact parents when needed.

Assistance in Worship: For those who find it difficult to stand during any part of the service, please remain seated and contact an usher if you would like Holy Communion to be brought to you. Sound enhancement units are available in the back of the church. Large print bulletins are available from the ushers in the back of the church and at the Division Street door.

Please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices. Thank you.

In Holy Communion the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. All baptized Christians are invited to the table where Christ himself is host. If you desire to be baptized, or to learn more about Holy Baptism, please speak to one of the pastors.

Grace Council Statement on Racism: Racism, manifested in individual acts and present throughout systems, continues to prevent us from being the beloved community that God intends. Our faith in the crucified and risen Christ compels us to speak. We speak against the sin of racism. We speak in solidarity with Black people and all people of color, each of whom is precious to God. We stand with and for Black people within our church and school and in the larger community.

We commit ourselves to following Jesus Christ into the world in the hope that, by the Spirit's power, God's Kingdom would come on earth as it is in heaven. We look with hope and anticipation to a season of growth and change as Grace becomes a more faithful witness to God's wide welcome in Christ. We see this as the beginning, not the end, of the conversation. We pray for the Holy Spirit to guide us, and for the courage to follow.

As We Gather

Jesus, fresh from the mountaintop experience of his baptism, is now led by the Spirit into the wilderness. After a famishing forty days, Satan comes to tempt him. He comes not with chocolates or a second glass of wine or any such temptations. Instead, he pushes into Jesus' identity. *If you are the Son of God*, Satan asks. The voice from heaven has recently proclaimed Jesus exactly that; will Jesus trust that word? Is an identity that flows from the Father enough, or will Jesus give in and strike out on his own? Adam and Eve failed a similar test, desiring to be gods instead of trusting God, with disastrous consequences. We, too, seek to be gods of our own realities. It works out no better for us than for those in the garden long ago. But Jesus trusts God. Jesus takes God at God's word. For Jesus, Sonship is more than enough. In his victory over evil, we become children of God, too. As we enter into Lent, let us set aside our need to be like god. We already have a God, one in whom we can place our trust.



+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE

(8:30) Kyrie! God, Father in Heaven Above, BWV 669 (11:00) Andante (from Divertimento, K. 138)

Johann Sebastian Bach Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

We stand to face the cross at the tolling of the bell. **PROCESSION**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen.

 God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

G Amen.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

- P Gracious God,
- **G** have mercy on us.

We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

- God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ.
 As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- G Amen.

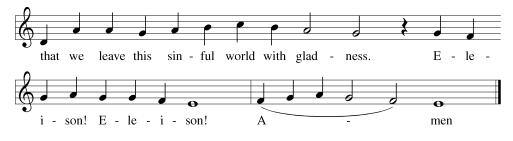
APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

Kyrie

(green) LBW #168





Text: Latin, c. 1100; tr. W. Gustave Polack, 1890–1950, alt. Music: KYRIE, GOTT VATER, "Kyrie fons bonitatis," c. 800, adapt.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son. Lows Christ. our Series and Lord

through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

We sit.

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Genesis 2:15–17; 3:1–7

The Lord GOD took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the Lord GOD commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

^{3:1}Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord GOD had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?" ²The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die." ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

- **L** The Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

(8:30) **PSALM 32**

ANTIPHON: Mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord. May Schwarz

- L Happy are they whose transgressions | are forgiven,* and whose sin is | put away!
- G Happy are they to whom the Lord im- | putes no guilt,* and in whose spirit there | is no guile!
- While I held my tongue, my bones with- | ered away,* because of my groaning | all day long.
- G For your hand was heavy upon me | day and night;* my moisture was dried up as in the | heat of summer.
- L Then I acknowledged my | sin to you,* and did not con- | ceal my guilt.
- I said, "I will confess my transgressions | to the Lord."* Then you forgave me the guilt | of my sin.
- Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in | time of trouble;* when the great waters overflow, they | shall not reach them.
- You are my hiding-place; you preserve | me from trouble;* you surround me with shouts | of deliverance.
- "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that | you should go;" I will guide you | with my eye.
- Do not be like horse or mule, which have no | understanding;* who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will | not stay near you."
- Great are the tribulations | of the wicked;* but mercy embraces those who trust | in the Lord.
- Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice | in the Lord;* shout for joy, all who are | true of heart.

(11:00) PSALM 32

ANTIPHON (Sung by all; the verses are sung by the choir)



and in the shadow of your wing, I will sing for joy evermore.
 Happy are those whose sin is forgiven, whose wrongs are pardoned.
 When I confessed my sin to you, you forgave me all my sin.

G ANTIPHON

and in the shadow of your wing, I will sing for joy evermore.
 I am surrounded by your steadfast love. Happy are those who trust in your strength!
 You that are righteous, be glad, rejoice! You that obey him, shout for joy.

G ANTIPHON

L and in the shadow of your wing, I will sing for joy evermore. Glory and praise and honor to you: Father, Son, and Spirit, One. As it was, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

G ANTIPHON

SECOND READING: Romans 5:12-19

Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned — ¹³sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

¹⁸Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

- **L** The Word of the Lord.
- **G** Thanks be to God.

We stand. GOSPEL VERSE: Matthew 4:4

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1–11

▶ The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.""

⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,'

and 'On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.""

7Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.""

⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

"Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.""

¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit. CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON: If You Are

Pastor David R. Lyle Matthew 4:1–11; Genesis 2:15–17; 3:1–7; Romans 5:12–17



Text: based on Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838–1898; para. Gilbert E. Doan, b. 1930 Music: CAITHNESS, *Psalter*, Edinburgh, 1635

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NICENE CREED

- **P** Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:
- We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each petition concludes:

A Lord, in your mercy,

• hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

- Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, Trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- G Amen.

+ MEAL +

PEACE OF CHRIST

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **G** And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

We sit. OFFERING

(8:30) ANTHEM: Love Your Neighbor as Yourself

Susan Eltringham

Love your neighbor as yourself; Be gentle, kind and true, Love your neighbor as yourself; For God has first loved you.

Be a friend to those who are lonely. Be a friend to those who are sad. Let your love help those who are hurting. Let your love make ev'ryone glad!

Jesus was a friend to the lonely, Jesus was a friend to the sad. Jesus' love helped those who were hurting. Jesus' love still makes ev'ryone glad! Susan Eltringham

(11:00) VOLUNTARY: Andante Moderato (from String Quartet No. 1) Florence Price

OFFERTORY HYMN: Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

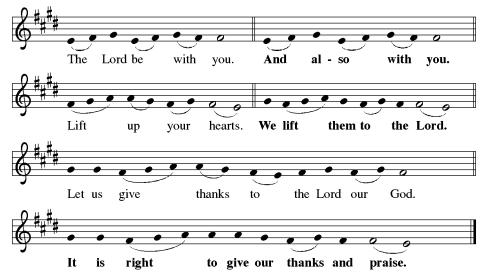


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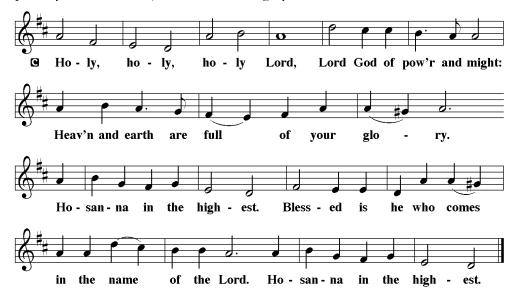
OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, for you have had mercy on us and given your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for the priceless grace you have bestowed upon us through Jesus Christ, who died upon the tree of Calvary and rose again to make us living branches, drawing our life from him and bearing fruit in all the world.

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.

Send your Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth and power, to renew our faith as we receive our crucified and risen Lord who comes to us in his body and blood.

All honor and glory are yours, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, now and forever.

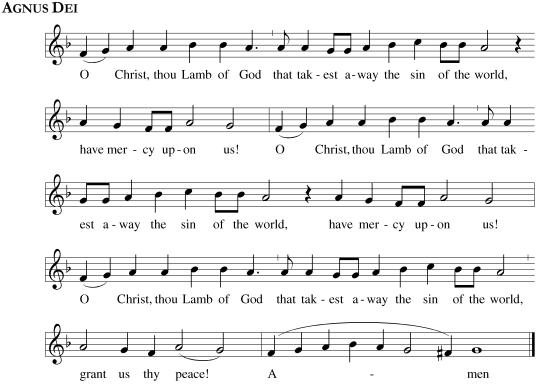
G Amen.

 Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen. **P** The gifts of God for the people of God.

G Thanks be to God.

P Come, for all is now ready.

We sit.



Text: German, 1528, based on the Agnus Dei; tr. unknown Music: CHRISTE, DU LAMM GOTTES, *Kirchenordnung*, Braunschweig, 1528

COMMUNION

Our Lord Jesus Christ welcomes you to this meal of the baptized. The crucified and risen Christ is present in the Lord's Supper, giving us his true body and blood as food and drink.

We receive communion at the head of the center aisle, receiving the consecrated bread and then drinking directly from the chalice or dipping the bread into the wine (intinction).

Those choosing individual cups will find non-alcoholic wine in the center of the tray. Those with a gluten allergy may ask the pastor for a gluten-free host.

MUSIC FOR THE COMMUNION



Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947 Music: SLANE, Irish traditional





(8:30) ANTHEM: Little Lamb	African-American Spiritual arr. Ken Berg
Little Lamb, little lamb, little innocent lamb, I'm a-gonna serve God 'til I die. Little Lamb, little lamb, little innocent lamb, I'm a-gonna serve God 'til I die.	an. Ren Derg
This ol' world says to get all that you can. I'm a-gonna serve God 'til I die. But my Lord has offer'd a much better plan. I'm a-gonna serve God 'til I die.	
(11:00) ANTHEM: Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word	Dieterich Buxtehude
Lord, keep us steadfast in thy Word, Curb those who fain by craft and sword Would rest the Kingdom from thy Son And set at naught all he hath done.	
Lord Jesus Christ, thy power make known, For thou art Lord of lords alone; Defend thy Christendom that we May evermore sing praise to thee.	
O Comforter of priceless worth, Send peace and unity on earth Support us in our final strife, And lead us out of death to life.	
Grant peace, we pray, in mercy, Lord, Peace in our time, oh, send us! For there is none on earth but thee, None other to defend us. Thou only, Lord, canst fight for us.	
Give to our people, To all that be in power, Peace, and good government, That by their protection We may lead a quiet and peaceful life alway In all godliness and in all honesty.	
Amen.	

We stand.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

- Amen.
- **A** Let us pray.

Almighty God, we give you thanks that you have fed us with the bread of heaven, the body and blood of your Son.

In your mercy, sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage,

that faith in you might be revealed in acts of fervent love toward one another; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

G Amen.

+ SENDING +

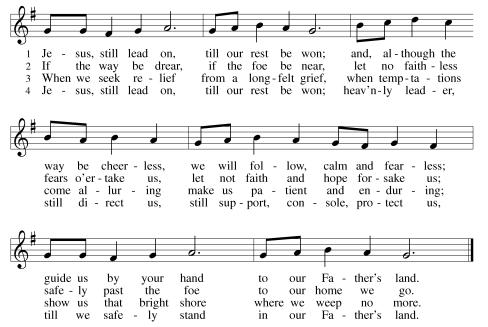
BENEDICTION

P Almighty God: Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN: Jesus, Still Lead On

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Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–1760; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–1897, alt. Music: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM, Adam Drese, 1620–1701

DISMISSAL

- **A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Jesus, Still Lead On

Paul Manz

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY		
The Rev. Troy E. Medlin, presiding minister		
	. David R. Lyle, preaching	
	Schubkegel, assisting min	
	Rev. Michael D. Costello,	
8:30		11:00
Jeff Cribbs	Deacon	Susie Calhoun
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Paulette Reddel	Gift Bearers	Neal and Esther Armstrong
Eliza Grahnke, Paul Koester, Dan Lehman	n Ushers	
Catherine Amato, Liz Hanson	Altar Guild	Marilyn Moehlenkamp, Ellie Schnack
1-2 Grade Choir	Choir	Parish Choir
Johanna Johnson	Conductor	Michael D. Costello
	Strings	The Kontras Quartet
	E	leanor Bartsch, François Henkins, violinists
		Ben Weber, violist
		Jean Hatmaker, cellist
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Benevolence ministries

ELCA Global Missions

For those who mourn

Jennifer Yonkers (relative of Anna Beyersdorf) Ted Powers (son-in-law of Betty Moore)

Those serving in the armed services

Jacob Benson (great-nephew of Eunice Spurgat) Kevin Buss (nephew of Christa Krout) E. Michael Garcia Goetting (son of Mary Goetting) Matthew Garmatz (grandson of Margaret Garmatz) Matthew Grosz (nephew of Bob and Bonnie Shaner) Zachery Grosz (great-nephew of Bob and Bonnie Shaner) John Kibler (son of April Kibler)

Those in the foreign service

Julie Kmet (friend of Ed and Susan Schumacher)

Those who are homebound

Jayne Chilton Tim Sandvoss Christopher Davis Kathleen Wrobel Joan Koerber

Those who need encouragement

Bruce Burnside (friend of Bob and Margaret Burke) in Oakhill Correctional Center Cheryl Luchetta (friend of Joan Koerber) in Logan Correctional Center

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY, FEBRUARY 26

Library Open (self-service, coffee) 8:15 a.m 12:30 p	.m.
Worship – Holy Communion	
Sunday School (3rd Floor Commons)9:45 a	.m.
Confirmation (School Library)9:45 a	.m.
Teen Talk (Youth Center)9:45 a	.m.
Adult Education (Seminar Room)9:45 a	.m.
Confirmation Witness Meeting(Conference Rm)12:15 p	.m.
Bach Cantata Preview (Seminar Room) 3:00 p	.m.
Bach Cantata Vespers	.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Dads of Grace (Youth Center)	
Stephen Ministry (Conference Room	n)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

School Chapel	8:25 a.m.
Cornerstones (Church Library)	9:30 a.m.
Morning Prayer	11:00 a.m.
Lenten Supper	6:00 p.m.
Lent Worship	7:00 p.m.
Parish Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)	7:45 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 2

Social Ministry (Conference	e Room)	7:30 p.m.
Women's Choir Rehearsal	(Music Room)	7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

Confirmation Retreat at Lutherdale	All day
GriefShare (Church Library)	9:00 a.m.
Communion Retreat (Fellowship Hall)	5:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

Confirmation Retreat at Lutherdale...... All day

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