

*There Abram built an altar to the LORD
and called on the name of the LORD.
—Genesis 12:8*



2nd Sunday in Lent – March 1, 2026

Welcome to
St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church
Lakewood, Colorado

A Warm Welcome in Christ to our Worship Guests. It is our prayer that your faith is strengthened today by the preaching of our Lord's pure Word and by the psalms and hymns and spiritual songs that our Scripture-based liturgy offers every week. St. Paul is a member of the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC). The CLC is represented by congregations throughout the United States, in Canada, and throughout the continent of Africa, India, and neighboring nations. All our churches confess that the Bible is the inspired and unerring Word of God. We invite our Guests to record their visit by signing the Guestbook and to come and worship with us again. Questions? Please speak with one of the ushers. They will be happy to assist you!

To Our Guests Seeking an Altar at Which to Commune: We believe that those who partake of the Lord's Supper together are giving expression to the close-knit bond of fellowship God has created among them in *all* that the Bible teaches. For this reason we ask only those who have publicly professed such oneness of faith and belief with us, by membership here or at another CLC church, to come forward to receive the Sacrament. This is not a judgment of anyone's faith but an expression of ours. If you have the desire to commune with us in the future, please speak with the Pastor at your convenience. We'd love to have you!



SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT
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Opening Prayer

Hymn

LSB 798 (1-5) "*The God of Abraham Praise*"

The Invocation

P: Welcome ... in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Confession of Sins & Announcement of Forgiveness

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

C: Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

The Kyrie

C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy
on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

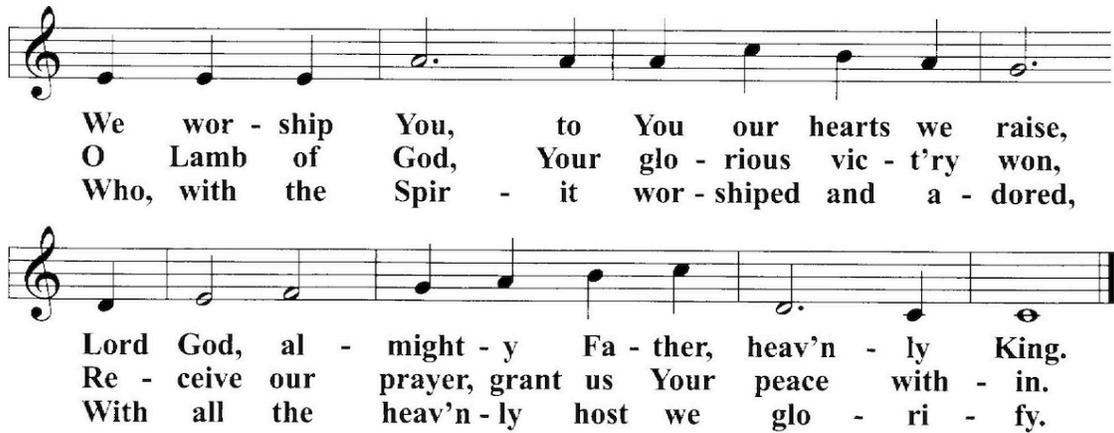
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Glory to God in the Highest

The Gloria in Excelsis

C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,
Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:

The musical notation consists of two staves in treble clef. The first staff contains the melody for the first three lines of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the last three lines. The lyrics are written below the notes.



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
 O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
 Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,
 Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
 Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
 With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray ...

C: Amen.

First Lesson

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

1 What then shall we say that Abraham our father has found according to the flesh? 2 For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. 3 For what does the Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.” 4 Now to him who works, the wages are not counted as grace but as debt. 5 But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness. | 13 For the promise that he would be the heir of the world was not to Abraham or to his seed through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. 14 For if those who are of the law are heirs, faith is made void and the promise made of no effect, 15 because the law brings about wrath; for where there is no law there is no transgression. 16 Therefore it is of faith that it might be according to grace, so that the promise might be sure to all the seed, not only to those who are of the law, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all 17 (as it is written, “I have made you a father of many nations”) in the presence of Him whom he believed—God, who gives life to the dead and calls those things which do not exist as though they did.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 121

P I will lift up my eyes to the hills:

C **From whence comes my help?**

P My help comes from the LORD:

C **Who made heaven and earth.**

P He will not allow your foot to be moved:

C He who keeps you will not slumber.

P Behold, He who keeps Israel:

C Shall neither slumber nor sleep.

P The LORD is your keeper:

C The LORD is your shade at your right hand.

P The LORD shall preserve you from all evil:

C He shall preserve your soul.

P The LORD shall preserve your going out and your coming in:

C From this time forth, and even forevermore.

Second Lesson

John 4:5-26

5 So He came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. 6 Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour. 7 A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." 8 For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. 9 Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. 10 Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." 11 The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? 12 Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?" 13 Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, 14 but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life." 15 The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." 16 Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." 17 The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband,' 18 for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly." 19 The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. 20 Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship." 21 Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. 22 You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. 23 But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. 24 God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." 25 The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When He comes, He will tell us all things." 26 Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am He."

P: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it. Alleluia!

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of four staves of music in C major, 4/4 time. The first staff is the Alleluia chorus: 'Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!'. The second staff contains the text: 'These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that'. The third staff contains the text: 'Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.'. The fourth staff is another Alleluia chorus: 'Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!'. The music is written in a simple, melodic style with a treble clef and a common time signature.

Confession of Faith

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day

LSB 809 *"Great is Thy Faithfulness"*

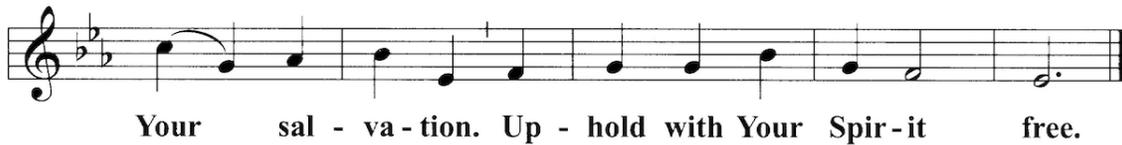
Like Abram of Old ... We Live On Promises!

- 1. Promises made to us by our faithful God!
- 2. Promises kept for us by our faithful God!

1 Now the LORD had said to Abram: “Get out of your country, from your family and from your father’s house, to a land that I will show you. 2 I will make you a great nation; I will bless you And make your name great; and you shall be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed. 4 So Abram departed as the LORD had spoken to him, and Lot went with him. And Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. 5 Then Abram took Sarai his wife and Lot his brother’s son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people whom they had acquired in Haran, and they departed to go to the land of Canaan. So they came to the land of Canaan. 6 Abram passed through the land to the place of Shechem, as far as the terebinth tree of Moreh. And the Canaanites were then in the land. 7 Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, “To your descendants I will give this land.” And there he built an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. 8 And he moved from there to the mountain east of Bethel, and he pitched his tent with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; there he built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD.

Offertory

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me
 not a - way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
 Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of



Offering of Thankful Hearts

Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer – 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.

Hymn

LSB 629 "What Is This Bread"

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give You thanks, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, Who on the tree of the cross gave salvation unto mankind that, from where death arose, from there life might rise again; and that Satan, who by the tree of the knowledge of good and evil once overcame man, might by the tree of the cross be overcome, through Christ, our Lord; therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Sanctus

Three lines of musical notation in G major, 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: "C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of Sa - ba - oth, a - dored; Heav'n and earth with full ac - claim shout the glo - ry of Your name. Sing ho - san - na in the high - est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord; Tru - ly".

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of Sa - ba - oth, a - dored; Heav'n and
earth with full ac - claim shout the glo - ry of Your name. Sing ho -
san - na in the high - est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord; Tru - ly

blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Words of Institution

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always!

Lamb of God

Agnus Dei

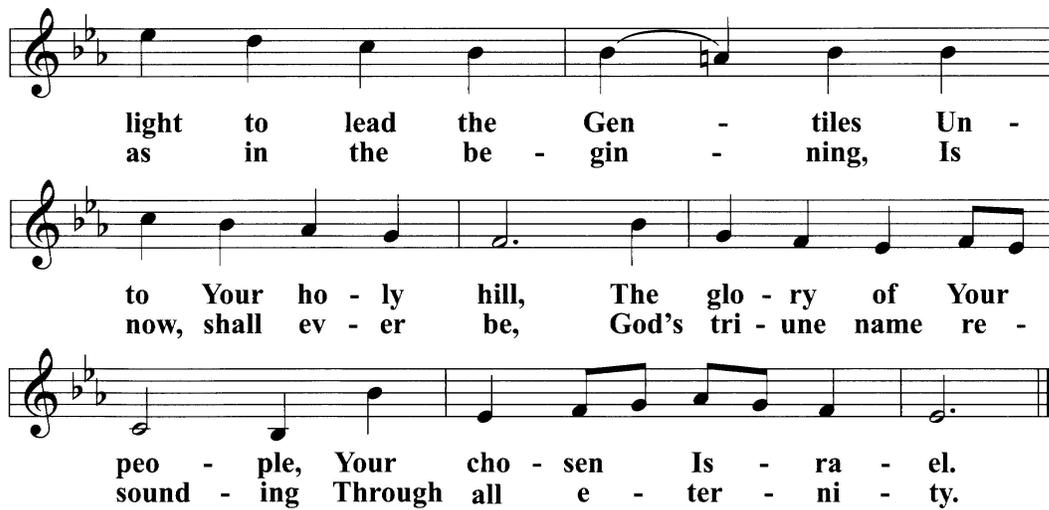
O Lamb of God, O Christ our Lord, whose
 blood, once shed, true life re - stored, Im -
 part Your joy, our faith in - crease. Sus -
 tain with Your mer - cy and grant us Your peace.

Distribution of the Sacrament

O Lord, Now Let Your Servant

Nunc Dimittis

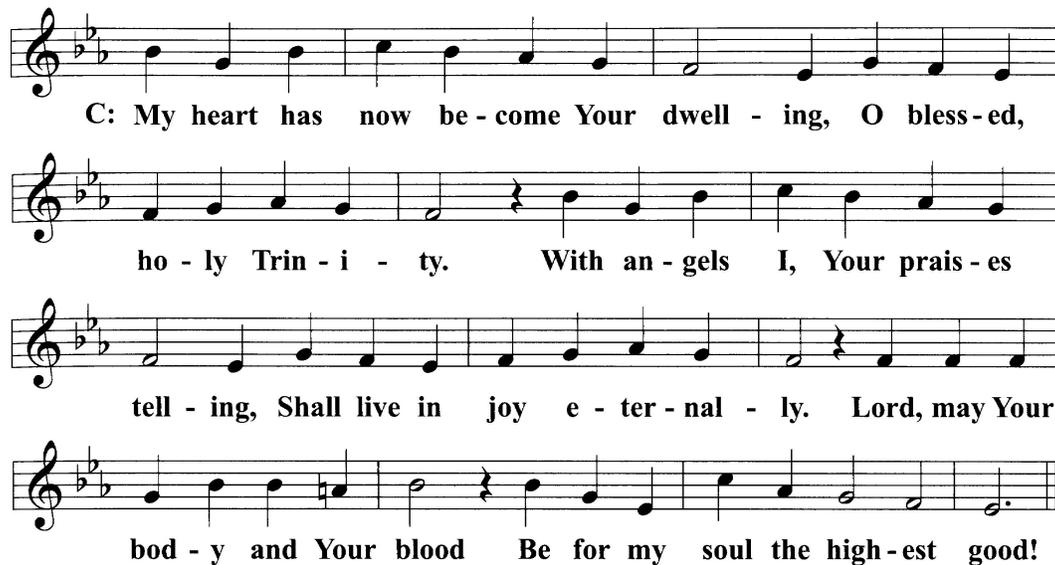
C: 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
 glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace: A
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One; For



light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord with gladness.

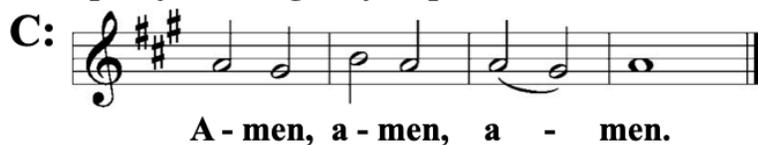
Thanksgiving



C: My heart has now be - come Your dwell - ing, O bless - ed,
ho - ly Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Your prais - es
tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly. Lord, may Your
bod - y and Your blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



C: A - men, a - men, a - men.

Closing Hymn

LSB 798 (9)

This Week at St. Paul

Today (3/1)	9:30 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	10:45 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
Wed	7:00 pm	Midweek Lenten Service 3
Sun (3/8)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Sunday School & Bible Class

Extended Calendar

- Immanuel Lutheran College Tour Choir Concert: Thursday, March 18, 6:30 pm (*see note below*)
- Palm Sunday Brunch: Sunday, March 29, 10:45 am (served by the men)
- Maundy Thursday Communion Service: Thursday, April 2, 7 pm
- Good Friday Worship: Friday, April 3, 7 pm
- Easter Sunday Worship: Sunday, April 5, 9:30 am

Our Midweek Lenten Service Schedule will continue this Wednesday, February 25. This year's Lenten theme is *"Ironies of the Passion."* In each service we are examining things that were said or done in connection with Jesus' suffering and death that were "ironic." Service time: 7:00 pm. Here are the service details:



Theme: "Ironies of the Passion"

Feb 18	"It Is Better That One Man Die for the People"	John 11:45-53	Pastor Libby
Feb 25	"This Man Went Home Justified"	Luke 18:9-14	Pastor Naumann
Mar 4	"Not During the Festival"	Matthew 26:1-5	Pastor Schuetze
Mar 11	"Don't You Fear God?"	Luke 23:39-43	Pastor Libby
Mar 18	"We Have No King but Caesar"	John 19:12-16	Pastor Naumann
Mar 25	He Had Been Wanting to See Jesus	Luke 23:6-12	Pastor Schuetze

The Immanuel Lutheran College Tour Choir will present a concert of sacred music at St. Paul on Thursday, March 19, at 6:30 pm. Housing is needed for 29 choir members and 2 directors for the night of the concert. A sign-up sheet for hosting choir members is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.



In Our Prayers: We ask the Lord for His continuing gracious care for our fellow members: Lance Clark, Ethel Eastridge, Mark Hartmeister, Pat Newton, Doug Tiefel, Jerry Wamboldt, and Julie Ann Zamora.

Time Change Alert: Daylight savings time begins next Sunday, March 8. Remember to spring your clocks ahead one hour!

March Birthday Blessings To ...

Dennis Roberson, Mar 7	Norman Ross, Mar 18
Carly Mess, Mar 15	Lance Clark, Mar 25

Call News: Dr. Daniel Sullivan has received the call from the CLC Call Committee for Educational Institutions to serve as a professor at Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary in Eau Claire, WI. <> Dr. Daniel Schierenbeck has received the two-year call from the CLC Call Committee for Educational Institutions to serve as the President of Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary in Eau Claire, WI. <> Teacher Debra Mayhew has accepted the full-time call to teach grades 1-2 at Immanuel Ev. Lutheran School, Mankato, MN. <> Teacher Karen Swyter has resigned her call to Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI. <> Pastor Emeritus Paul Nolting has accepted a one-year part-time call to teach religion at Immanuel Ev. Lutheran School, Mankato, MN. <> Teacher Katie Naumann of Immanuel Lutheran School, Winter Haven, FL, has received the call to Redeemer Lutheran School, Cheyenne, WY. <> Seminarian Sam Radermacher, in conjunction with his vicarship under Pastor Wayne Eichstadt of Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA, has accepted the summer vacancy call to Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA.

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Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions

March 2-7

Mon Matthew 15:21-28 Jesus, sent to the lost sheep of Israel, was not out merely to expand His fan-base. Nevertheless, those who come in faith, Jew or Gentile, find access through Him to the mercy seat of God.

Tues 1 Thessalonians 4:1-7 Redeemed by God's mercy, we will want to live in such a way as is pleasing to God. Keeping away from sexual immorality is not to our harm, but results from our upward call in Christ.

Wed Isaiah 45:20-25 The Lord invites us to come together to Him. Turn to Him and be saved, all you ends of the earth (v22). There is no God except He, a righteous God and Savior (v21).

Thurs Psalm 35:1-18 Enemies of the Lord's servant are enemies of the Lord. The prayer for God's help is repeated (1-8,9-18), asking that the enemies be driven away and that life might be once again restored (v17).

Fri Psalm 35:19-28 Yet a third time the Lord's servant prays for help against false accusations and mockery. He foresees friends saying, "The Lord is great. He takes delight in the peace of his servant" (v27).

Sat Psalm 130 From out of the depths to the heights of heaven in eight verses. Such a rise is possible because "with the Lord there is mercy. With Him there is abundant redemption" (v7). Wait for the Lord!

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