



DIAMOND LAKE  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Second Sunday of Lent ◆ March 1, 2026 ◆ 9:30 am

# Facility Guide

## **Accessibility**

Hearing devices, noise-reduction earmuffs, and large print bulletins are available for worship services—please see the ushers for assistance. Automatic door openers are present on the main doors and restroom doors in the Commons Area. An elevator that accesses all floors can be found in the hallway to the right when entering from the main glass doors. Please feel free to borrow a walker or wheelchair (found in the entryway) for your time in our building.

## **Restrooms**

Men's, women's, and all-gender restrooms are located in the Commons Area. They are to the left of the Lakeview Room entrance (or directly to your left when entering through the main glass doors).

## **Emergency and First Aid**

A first aid kit, automated external defibrillator (AED), and fire extinguisher are located on the left when entering through the main doors. Other fire extinguishers can be found in the Narthex (the back of the sanctuary), the Vestry (front left of the sanctuary), and throughout the building.

## **Lost and Found**

Missing something? Our Lost and Found is in the Commons Area coat room. Stop by anytime to check for items that may belong to you.

## **Notice of Filming and Photography**

During worship services and church events at Diamond Lake Lutheran Church, photography and video recording may occur. These images and recordings may be used in church publications, social media, and other communications to share and celebrate our ministry. If you prefer not to be included in photos and video, please let an usher or staff member know. Thank you for your understanding and for being part of our community life together.

# Welcome to Diamond Lake Lutheran Church!

**We are so glad you are here!** If you'd like more information about this community of faith, please fill out a Welcome card (found in the pew pockets near the hymnals) and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Andrea or an usher following worship. Take the Grow card with you if you wish! We invite you to enjoy coffee and Bogart's Doughnuts in the Commons before and after worship. Please wear your name tag each Sunday—it helps us welcome guests, get to know one another, and support those with memory concerns. If you don't yet have one, visit the Commons Area name tag station to make yours. We encourage adding pronouns to name tags!

## **Children in Worship**

Children are encouraged to be present for worship—build-your-own activity bags are located in the narthex, along with children's bulletins. Children are invited to use the Pray-Ground at the front of the sanctuary. A nursery is located on the lower level if you need it. Please ask an usher for directions. If you are a nursing parent, you are welcome to nurse anywhere. If you would like privacy, there is a nursing room in the nursery downstairs.

## **Participating in Today's Service**

Pastor: Rev. Andrea Roske-Metcalfe

Assisting Minister: Kris Pearson

Organist/Pianist: Dr. Kevin Hobbs

Choir Director: Dr. Bruce Gleason

Door Monitor: Adam Podratz

Head Usher: David Minge

Ushers: Julie Schmidt, Theo Brent

Greeters: Kathy Gustafson, Bob Gustafson

Acolyte: Lyle Dean

Coffee Host: Kathi Gallup

Reader: Jan Michaletz

Communion Baker: Sophia Herrera

Communion Leader: Kirk Gallup

Communion Servers: Lisa Bass, Jan Michaletz

A/V Tech: John Nelson, Frank Anderson

Nursery: Mary Teurman

Pray-ground Cleanup:

Pursers: Bob Gustafson, Lisa Ritzinger

## SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

This week dives into Jesus' "Sermon on the Plain," where he flips societal values and centers the poor, hungry, weeping, and hated. He calls not for passive endurance but for active, counter-cultural love—turning the other cheek, blessing enemies, and practicing radical generosity. This ethic of mercy and equity pushes disciples beyond transactional love and invites them to embody the values of the kin(g)dom. These teachings confront cultural violence and personal complicity, challenging us to love not from comfort but from conviction.

*We invite you to rise in body or in spirit each time the † symbol appears.*

### PRELUDE

### WORDS OF WELCOME

### TRINITY CHIMES

### CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

*Return to the Lord, Erickson*

### † CONFESSIOIN AND FORGIVENESS

Siblings in Christ, let us confess our sins to God, for God knows our weaknesses, and yet imagines for us a life of wholeness and peace.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, who delivers people from their suffering, you sent Jesus to show us that our ways are not your ways.

**You told us to bless the poor,  
to make peace with our neighbors,  
to share what we have with others,  
and to live our faith through quiet actions.  
Yet we often fail this calling.**

**Forgive us, God, where and when we have slipped  
into the world's ways of hate, greed, and violence.  
Guide us into faithfulness once again, for your ways are loving,  
just, and compassionate.**

Beloveds, God knows our tendency to prioritize ourselves and our groups,  
but God calls us to think bigger,  
to see all of humanity as our neighborhood.

God will help us grow and mature into loving followers of Jesus  
who treat our neighbors with love.

Receive God's free gift of grace and be at peace.

**Amen.**

**‡ GATHERING HYMN**

*O God of Mercy, God of Light.....ELW 714 (vs. 1, 2, 4)*

**‡ 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.

**Generous God,**  
**you bless your people in every age:**  
**Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,**  
**Hannah, Elizabeth, and Mary,**  
**children and those who are vulnerable,**  
**all who know poverty, hunger, grief, and hate.**  
**May we follow your example**  
**in sharing and seeking blessing for others,**  
**not hoarding it for ourselves.**  
**Let us share your abundant life and love,**  
**offered to us and to all,**  
**through the vulnerability and generosity**  
**of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.**  
**Amen.**

## SERMON ON THE STEPS

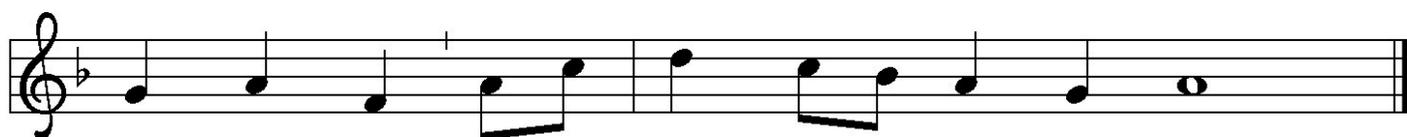
### ‡ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and



mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in



stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## ‡ **GOSPEL: LUKE 6:17-36**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus came down with them and stood on a level place with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases, and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And everyone in the crowd was trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you expect to receive payment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. Instead, love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

Rev. Andrea Roske-Metcalf

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*In Christ There is No East or West*.....ELW 650

## ‡ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence*

Hear our cries to you, O God,

All

## OFFERING

*Out of the Depths, Alan Hovhaness*

Diamond Lake Lutheran Choir

### General Fund

We give thanks for all the ways members and friends of Diamond Lake Lutheran Church contribute to the mission and vision of this congregation—gifts of time, gifts of participation and expertise, as well as finances. Financial gifts to the general fund help to make possible both in-house and outreach ministries, as well as sharing of our resources with the wider community.

### March Mission of the Month: Washburn Cares

Washburn Cares is a group of students and parents who support Washburn High School social workers to help provide resources like grocery gift cards, rent assistance, school supplies, and clothing for families need. Since mid-December, Washburn Cares has answered the call to help support immigrant families in our own neighborhood. Many of these families are facing increased challenges due to the ICE presence in our city, which has made it unsafe for them to leave home or work. Every gift to the March Mission of the Month will help ensure that students and their families can stay safe and cared.

### Give to the General Fund or Mission of the Month via:

**Cash** – Use a “Give Back” envelope from the pew pocket to designate a fund for your donation.

**Check** – Write the name of the designated fund in the memo line.

**Phone** – Scan the QR code to visit the Give Back page of [www.dllc.org](http://www.dllc.org) and select a fund from the drop-down menu. Repeat the process if giving to both funds.

Thank you!



## ‡ OFFERTORY



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the  
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## ‡ OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Generous God, we bring our gifts before you and your church like tiny seeds from a dandelion. Send out these gifts on the mighty wind of your Spirit, bringing growth, bearing fruit, and nourishing both our faith community and our neighbors. May each gift of every size bloom with your holy imagination.

**Amen.**

## ‡ INVITATION TO THE TABLE

## ‡ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## ‡ LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray:

Holy, imaginative God, you who dreamed and created a world full of colors, textures, shapes, sizes, depths, and heights—help us remember your dream of a world made whole and complete through love and care. Transform these gifts of bread and cup into courage and strength for the work that lies ahead.

With confidence, we pray the prayer you taught us to pray, saying:

**Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kin(g)dom 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 kin(g)dom, and the power, and the glory forever.**

**Amen.**

The table has been set. Come, beloveds. Let's eat.

## LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.

<sup>1\*</sup> Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
<sup>2</sup> have mer - cy on us, <sup>3</sup> have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION

*As Christ offered himself without restriction to those gathered at the last supper, so too he invites all gathered here to partake in this meal. If you wish to receive the sacrament, come forward with your hands outstretched to receive the bread, and dip it either in the red wine or the white grape juice (both offered in each chalice).*

*If you wish to receive a blessing, come forward with your hands over your heart.*

*Gluten-free wafers are available upon request, and a chalice of grape juice is provided for gluten-free intinction. If it is difficult for you to come forward, please inform an usher, and the pastor will bring the sacrament to you in your seat.*

## COMMUNION HYMNS

*Let Us Break Bread Together*.....ELW 471

*We Come to the Hungry Feast*.....ELW 479

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Gracious God,

we thank you for these tangible gifts of bread and cup  
that feed our bodies and nourish our souls.

May these blessings of grace be shared, not hoarded.

Though we have been fed today at the table,  
may we still walk away hungry for justice,  
working for freedom and fullness for all of your creation.

**Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ‡ BLESSING

Beloved children of God,

as you return to the wild wilderness of everyday life,

as you encounter every kind of person,

cling to the ways of Jesus who helps us imagine a world

where love and justice thrive.

**Amen.**

### ‡ SENDING HYMN

*O God of Every Nation*.....ELW 713 (vs 1, 2)

## ‡ DISMISSAL

Go out into the world,  
living in the realm of God's holy imagination,  
where heaven and earth meet.

**Amen.**

## ‡ CHORAL AMEN

## POSTLUDE

*This congregation traditionally sits and remains in the sanctuary to hear the postlude, which is offered by Dr. Hobbs. If you need to leave early, please feel free to do so quietly.*

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# LENT AND HOLY WEEK

## **Dinner + Church**

**Wednesdays, February 25–March 25, 6–7 pm**

Throughout Lent, we gather like the early Christians around tables: We enjoy a simple meal, sing, share the sacraments, and engage in conversation with people we know and with those who are new to us. Dinner + Church is intergenerational; everyone is invited! Food options are provided for those who have dietary restrictions.

*Note: Kids and youth are encouraged to sit with their families during Dinner + Church. Afterward, the Kids Club/Youth Group meet together in the North Room for “Sundaes on Wednesdays” and a short lesson while adults assist with Lakeview cleanup. One or two adult volunteers are needed each week to help serve ice cream. Confirmation students will meet with their mentors during this time.*

## Holy Week Schedule

### **Palm Sunday Worship**

**Sunday, March 29, 9:30 am**

We will joyfully process from the Lakeview Room to the Sanctuary, waving palms high in remembrance of Jesus's triumphant entry into Jerusalem.

### **Maundy Thursday Worship**

**Thursday, April 2, 6:30 pm**

This evening our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus's death and resurrection.

### **Good Friday Worship**

**Friday, April 3, 6:30 pm**

Life and death stand side by side as we enter into Good Friday.

### **Easter Worship**

**Sunday, April 5, 9:30 am**

Today Christ is risen, and we gather together with astonishment and joy. Let us rejoice: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!