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MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICE

March 25, 2026, 6:00 P.M.

Pianist: Roberta Ryskoski

SERVICE of the WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: Come all of you who feel forgotten, desperate, or afraid.

All: We come into the presence of our Creator to whom we belong!

P: Come all who care for children, who labor for bread, or work for justice.

All: We come into the presence of our Lord who saves us!

P: Come all who long for a child, for dignity, or for respect.

All: We come into the presence of the Spirit who guides our way!

PRAYER of the DAY:

This prayer is based on Luke 1:46-55, Mary's Song of Praise after learning that she will bear a son who will be called the Son of God.

Today, March 25, 2026, is the commemoration of the Annunciation of our Lord.

P: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior. Lord, I praise You because the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is Your name. Your mercy extends from generation to generation, and You show strength with Your arm against all that is proud. Scatter the selfish in their conceit, bring down the mighty from their thrones, and lift up the humble. Fill our hungry world with Your good things, and comfort the poor in spirit. Remember Your promise of mercy to all, and help me to trust in Your covenant faithfulness forever.

All: Amen.

OPENING HYMN: LBW 252 "You Servants of God"

READING: Exodus 1:15-22

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, "When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women and see them on the birthstool, if it is a son, kill him, but if it is a daughter, she shall live." But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this and allowed the boys to live?" The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women, for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." So God dealt well with the midwives, and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every son that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every daughter live."

SERMON: "The Rescuers" Pastor Kim Krogstad

SERMON HYMN: LBW 272, vs. 1-4 "Abide with Me"

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE:

All: May we be strengthened by your Spirit and guided by your Word.

CLOSING HYMN: LBW 94, vs. 1-4 "My Song Is Love Unknown"

Maundy Thursday Service will be held on April 2, 2026, at 6:00 P.M.

Good Friday Service will be held on April 3, 2026, at 6:00 P.M.

Easter Breakfast will be served on Easter morning starting at 8:00 A.M. Thank you to Renee Mayo. **Easter Day** service at 9:30 A.M.