

**March 10, 2013  
Fourth Sunday of Lent  
10:45 a.m.**

**Please enter the sanctuary and prepare for worship in silence.**

*Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.  
Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity...  
(Psalm 32)*

*So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him.  
(Luke 15)*

*All this is from God,  
who reconciled us to himself through Christ,  
and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.  
(2 Corinthians 5)*

**GATHERING**

Prelude

Greeting and Life of the Church

*Please sign the red pad at the end of the pew and pass it along the row.*

\*Call to Worship—Isaiah 43:1-4a

\*Hymn (insert) “*You Are Mine*” David Haas

\*Common Prayer (St. Augustine, 354-430)

***Come Lord, work upon us,  
Set us on fire and hold us close,  
Be fragrant to us,  
Draw us to your love,  
Let us run to you. Amen.***

**WORD**

The Hebrew Scripture                      Psalm 32 (p.440)

Confession of Sin

Gospel Assurance                      Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 (p.850)  
The Word of the Lord.  
***Thanks be to God.***

Choral Anthem

“*Grace*”

Mark Hayes

Time with Children

\*Hymn 306

“*And Can It Be That I Should Gain*”

SAGINA

*Children through second grade are dismissed for classes.*

Sermon

*The Heart of the Mission* 2 Corinthians 5:16-21  
*"All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ,  
And has given us the ministry of reconciliation."*

### RESPONSE

Choral Response

*"He Will Quiet You with His Love"*

Cindy Berry

Prayers of the Church and The Lord's Prayer (sins)

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

The Mission of the Church—Family Promise

Worship of Giving

\*Response (222, verse 4)

***Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were an off'ring far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all. Amen.***

\*Prayer of Dedication

### GOING FORTH

\*Hymn 680

*"Lift High the Cross"*

CRUCIFIER

\*Charge

\*Sung Benediction

***Go in peace and the peace of God be with you this day.  
Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always.  
Celebrate and share the joy! Celebrate new life!  
Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always.***

\*Tolling

Postlude

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

*Following the Postlude and during the coffee hour, a Stephen Minister will be available  
near the stained glass windows for anyone interested in individual prayer.*

Welcome! We pray that you will experience anew the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ as we worship together.

Today we welcome Peter Sjoblom, Director of Church Revitalization for the Central Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church. Peter has led us through our Veritas discussion over the past 2 days, and we welcome him as our preacher this morning.

Our thanks to Maria and Dave Moreno, sanctuary greeters, Jim Drimalla, Thom Morris, LeRoy Nelson, Carla Spellman and Marty Spellman, ushers; Kimberlee Kepper, Scripture Reader; Les and Rachel Rescorl, Scott Edwards, Sarah Johnson, coffee hosts; Cindy Buettgen (flute) and Nancy Magill (piano).

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*Peter Hawkinson, Pastor*  
*Andrea Johnson, Pastor of Discipleship and Outreach*  
*Christy Bouris, Youth Pastor*  
*Arthur A.R. Nelson, Parish Associate*  
*Dawn Pegis, Director of Music*  
*Dominic German, Music Intern*  
*Joshua Smith, Organist*  
*The Stephen Ministers*

*Our mission is to be a Christian community and to proclaim the gospel,  
worshiping together in love, nurturing people in the faith, serving others as Christian disciples,  
and building a world of justice and hope in the name of Christ.*

**At Winnetka Covenant Church:**

*We hold grace as our highest value.*  
*We practice honest, open, direct communication.*  
*We speak the truth in love and listen in love.*  
*We believe the best about each other, valuing others above ourselves, as Christ does.*  
*We allow room for mistakes, acknowledging that mistakes are part of the growth process.*