Concordia Seminary  
Lenten Sermon Series  
(R. Reed Lessing-Sermon Series 3)  
The Book of Exodus       Let My People Go!  

Lent Five  
April 10, 2019  
Ascension Lutheran Church  
Littleton, Colorado  

Order of Service  

PRELUDE  
“Were You There”  
Clay Christensen  

SERVICE OF LIGHT  
P. 243 LSB  

PHOS HILARION  
(Hymn of Light)  
P. 244 LSB  

THANKSGIVING FOR LIGHT  
P. 245 LSB  

Leader: (Spoken) Blessed are you . . . and Holy Spirit.  
People: Amen.  

PSALM 141  
(“Let my prayer rise…”)  
P. 245 - 247 LSB  

PRAYER  
P. 247 LSB  

Leader: Let us pray. Let the incense . . . glorify You forever.  
People: Amen.  

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION  
Pastor: Hear me, merciful and mighty Father, as I confess my bondage to sin and death.  

People: I know that nothing good lives in me.  
Pastor: That is, in my sinful nature.  
People: I have the desire to do good.  
Pastor: But I cannot carry it out.  
People: What I do is not the good I want to do.  
Pastor: No, the evil I do not want to do, this I keep on doing.  
People: I find this law at work—  
Pastor: When I want to do good, evil is right there with me.  
People: In my inner being, I delight in your law.
Pastor: But I see another law at work in the members of my body, waging war and making me a prisoner of the law of sin and death.

All: Who will rescue me from this body of death?

[You are invited to silently reflect on the fact that though our sin is great, Christ’s love is greater.]

Pastor: Hear the good news! The same God who delivered Israel from Egyptian bondage also delivers you from your body of sin and death! Jesus Christ, the Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed and his blood forgives you and sets you free! He turned the sea into dry land; we passed through the waters on foot. Though God’s footprints were not seen.

All: He led His people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron!

HANDCHIMES “We Are Climbing Jacob’s Ladder” (7 p.m. ONLY)

Wednesday Night Live Handchimes

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Theme: Surviving in a sex-obsessed society.

Old Testament Exodus 32:1-14 (Page 91)
Epistle 1 Corinthians 10:5-8 (Page 1168)
Holy Gospel Matthew 5:27-30 (Page 985)

HYMN “My Song is Love Unknown” LSB 430

Verses 1-3, 7

SERMON “Digging Ourselves into a Hole” Pastor Rick Langness

Text: Exodus 32:1-14

OFFERING (7 p.m. only) “Rise, Shine, You People” LSB 825

PRAYERS

LORD’S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9–13) Text found in the back of the Hymnal.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. Numbers 6:24–26

People: Amen.
CLOSING HYMN  “I Want Jesus to Walk With Me”  WOV 660

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS

POSTLUDE  “I Want Jesus to Walk With Me”  arr. Mark Hayes
SERVING IN WORSHIP

The Rev. Rick Langness, Ascension Lutheran Church
Michael Zehnder: Minister of Music
Hannah Schmitt: Acolyte (7 p.m.)