

Salem Lutheran Church Lenten Service
Evening Prayer Service
April 1, 2020

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world;
the light no darkness can overcome;
Stay with us now, for it is evening,
and the day is almost over.
Let your light scatter the darkness,
and shine within your people here.

THANKSGIVING FOR LIGHT

The Lord be with you. **ALL:** And also with you.

ALL: Blessed are you, Creator of the universe – from old you led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation. Amen

SCRIPTURE Matthew 26:14-16; 24-26; 45-50; 27:1-6

MESSAGE *Judas*

Jesus said, I am the light of the world.

ALL: Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Faithful God, shower the world with your
Loving kindness, that all may know your peace.
Open our eyes to the needs of our neighbors,
that all may know your love.
Comfort the sick and dying,
that all may know your mercy.
Guide our leaders in the way of truth,

that all may know your justice.
Focus our hearts on the way of the cross,
that all may have faith in you.

Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF BENEDICTION

May God, Creator, bless us and keep us, may Christ be ever light for our lives, may the Spirit of Love be our guide and path, for all of our days. **Amen.**