

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT MARCH 10, 2024



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Welcome to Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana. Whether you are worshiping in person or online, we're glad you are here! Please fill out a Connection Card and drop it in the offering plate or complete it online at www.tigardlutherans.com/connect

Sunday, March 10, 2024 • Fourth Sunday in Lent

The fourth of the Old Testament promises providing a baptismal lens this Lent is the promise God makes to Moses: those who look on the bronze serpent will live. In today's gospel Jesus says he will be lifted up on the cross like the serpent, so that those who look to him in faith will live. When we receive the sign of the cross in baptism, that cross becomes the sign we can look to in faith for healing, for restored relationship to God, for hope when we are dying.

This worship service is being recorded and will be available on Facebook, YouTube, and the church website.

When indicated, please stand as you are able.

The assembly reads the **bold print.**

Gathering

INVOCATION

Bendita sea Dios, Creador, + Redentor, y Sabadurío Santo.

Blessed be God, Creator, \oplus Redeemer, and Holy Wisdom. **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection. Holy God,

The assembly stands. All may make the sign

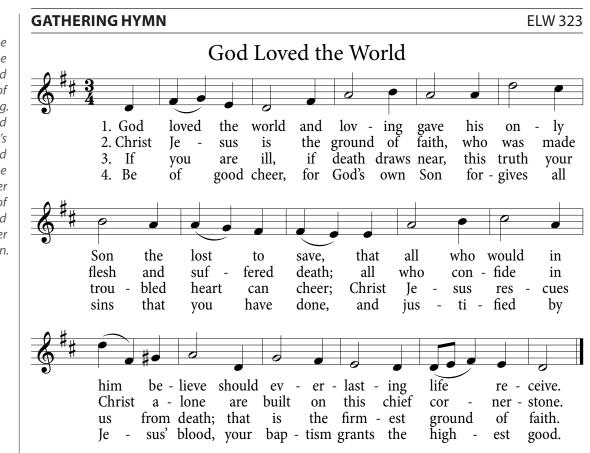
presiding minister begins.

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we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free. We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurts grow into hatred. For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord. Amen.

Here is abundant grace: Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaks every snare of sin, washes away our wrongs, and restores the promise of life through + Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

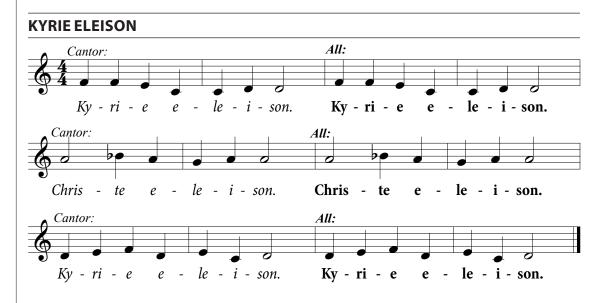
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APOSTOLIC GREETING

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.



This hymn is a paraphrase of John 3:16-17, one of the most frequently quoted scriptures and part of today's Gospel reading. Edward Miller, a skilled flutist in G. F. Handel's orchestra, adapted ROCKINGHAM from the tune TUNBRIDGE. Miller named it for the Marquis of Rockingham, a patron and friend, and prime minister of Great Britain.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

The assembly is seated.

Though God provides food and water for the Israelites in the wilderness, they whine and grumble. They forget about the salvation they experienced in the exodus. God punishes them for their sin, but when they repent God also provides a means of healing: a bronze serpent lifted up on a pole. O God, rich in mercy, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Word

READING

NUMBERS 21:4-9

A reading from Numbers, the twenty-first chapter.

From Mount Hor [the Israelites] set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food."Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 107:1-3, 17-22

A reading from Psalm 107.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Some were sick through their sinful ways, and because of their iniquities endured affliction; they loathed any kind of food, and they drew near to the gates of death.

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress; he sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from destruction.

Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.

And let them offer thanksgiving sacrifices, and tell of his deeds with songs of joy.

READING

While we were dead in our sinfulness, God acted to make us alive as a gift of grace in Christ Jesus. We are saved not by what we do but by grace through faith. Thus our good works are really a reflection of God's grace at work in our lives. A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians, the second chapter.

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else.

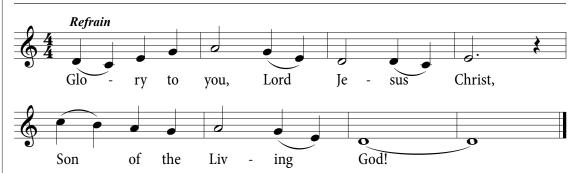
But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands to greet the Holy Gospel.

To explain the salvation of God to the religious leader, Nicodemus, Jesus refers to the scripture passage quoted in today's first reading. Just as those who looked upon the bronze serpent were healed, so people will be saved when they behold Christ lifted up on the cross.



CANTOR God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

ALL **Refrain**

HOLY GOSPEL

JOHN 3:14-21

El Santo Evangelio según Juan, capítulo tres.

The Holy Gospel according to John, the third chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.** (*¡Gloria a ti, oh Señor!*)

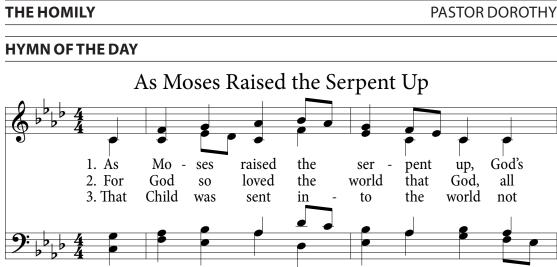
[Jesus said:] "And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that God gave the only Son, so that everyone who believes in the Son may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

El Evangelio del Salvador.

The Gospel of the Savior. **Praise to you, O Christ.** (¡Alabanza a ti, oh Cristo!)

The assembly is seated.





The assembly stands.

This hymn is a paraphrase of John 3:14-17. The text includes, in stanza 2, the words most children learn as their first Bible memory verse, John 3:16. The earliest source for this tune, MORNING SONG, was Sixteen Tune Settings, printed in 1812. It subsequently appeared in more than three dozen similar tunebooks with a variety of texts.

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith. I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The lay assistant offers the prayers. A brief silence. Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the wellbeing of creation, and a world in need.

Gracious God, your love unites. Give vision to the global church and foster cooperation in mission. Increase inter-religious understanding and ecumenical dialog. Make your church a sanctuary for all fleeing persecution, disaster, and war. Hear us, O God. **your mercy is great.**

Creating God, your love enlivens. Restore balance to the earth's fragile habitats. Preserve wilderness lands, rainforests, and wildlife. Cleanse rivers and oceans. Make us good stewards of the earth. Hear us, O God.

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Righteous God, your love liberates. We give thanks for those who courageously witness to your liberating love, especially Harriet Tubman and Sojourner Truth, renewers of society, whom we commemorate today. Free all people from the evils of racism, religious strife, and hatred. Hear us, O God.

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Merciful God, your love heals. Care tenderly for all whose loved ones perished from pandemic disease in every nation. Strengthen health care workers, first responders, and caregivers. Relieve all who live with chronic illness and pain. We pray especially for Jean, Amy, Myrna and Jerry, Betty, Don, Gaynelle, Gene and Pam, and Del and Suzanne. Hear us, O God.

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	Incarnate God, your love enlightens. Open our hearts and minds to fresh understandings of our faith. Deepen our love for you and for one another. Teach us to pray for our enemies. Hear us, O God. your mercy is great.
Here other intercessions may be offered.	For what else do the people of God pray?
	Abiding God, your love saves. Those who died in the faith are made alive in Christ. We give thanks for your promise that we also will be raised to newness of life. Hear us, O God. your mercy is great.
The presiding minister concludes the prayers.	Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.
	PASSING THE PEACE
	La paz del Señor sea siempre con ustedes.
	The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.
The assembly is seated.	
	WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
	Meal
	PREPARE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS AND OUR TABLES
	OFFERTORY HYMN ELW 808
The assembly stands. "Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song" was created in 1961 by members of Les Petites Soeurs de Jésus ("The Little Sisters of Jesus"), a global contemplative order that "seeks to be a sign of love to people who are rejected." The hymn also has associations with L'Arche communities. It is both a promise to bear witness to the love of Christ, and a prayer for courage throughout life's journey.	Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song
	1. Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney; 2. Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.
	I'll tell ev-ery - bod - y a - bout you wher - ev - er I go: May all of my joy be a faith - ful re - flec-tion of you.
	you a - lone are our life and our peace and our love. May the earth and the sea and the sky join my song.
8	Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney. Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

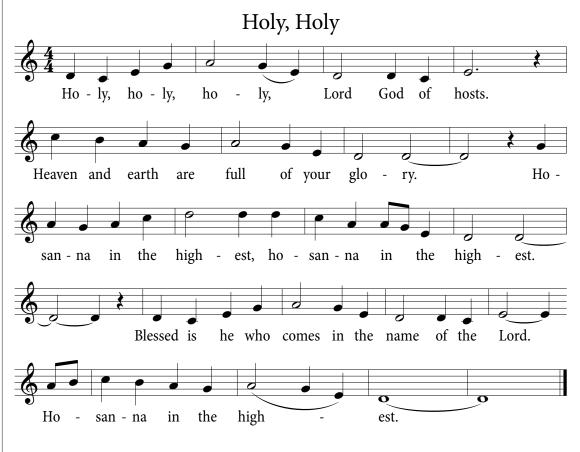
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

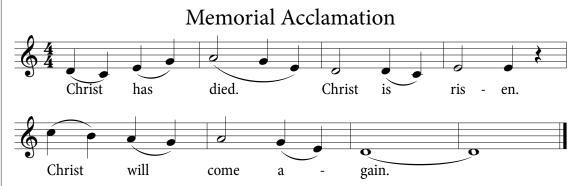
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age....

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

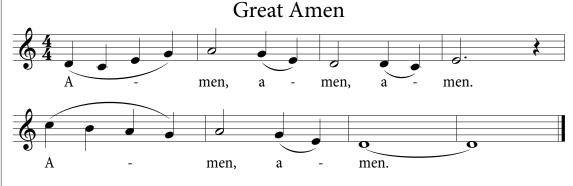


O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at this meal.

This is bread for the journey, a feast for hungry hearts. Come to the table where all are welcome!

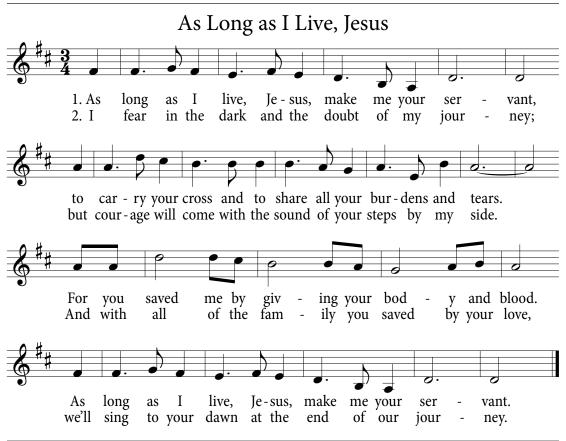
COMMUNION BLESSING

The assembly stands. May

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you to life everlasting. Amen.



ELW 808



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the bread of life. Amen.

SENDING BLESSING

Dios todopoderoso, Creador, 🕂 Redentor, y Sabadurío Santo, los bendiga ahora y siempre. Amén.

Almighty God, Creator, + Redeemer, and Holy Wisdom, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Since its first inclusion in a U.S. hymnal in the 1970s, this hymn has become enormously popular. In 1887, George W. Kitchin wrote the text on which this hymn is based for the festival of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Winchester Cathedral, England. Michael R. Newbolt, another Church of England minister, revised Kitchin's text in 1916, making it less militaristic. Composer Sydney Nicholson was organist of Westminster Abbey. He was knighted in 1938 for his contributions to English church music.

Lift High the Cross Refrain Lift high love of Christ pro - claim; the cross, the Let Last time, end ο the all world a dore that sa - cred name. Verses 1. Come, fol Chris - tians, low where our Sav - ior trod, the 2. Each new - born of the Cru - ci fied bears ser - vant Christ, once lift - ed 3.0 on the glo - rious tree, your 4. Set throne, that earth's de - spair may up your cease, be -5. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be: praise to Refrain 80 Lamb vic rious, Christ the Son of God. to the brow the of Christ who died. seal on brought life ly. death has us e - ter - nal the shad of its heal - ing neath ow peace. the Cru fied for vic - to to ci ry. 0 6 S : ο

DISMISSAL

SENDING HYMN

Go in peace. Share your bread. **Thanks be to God.**

In-person and online worshipers are invited to spend a few moments greeting one another on the Zoom balcony.

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

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WEEKLY eNEWS

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WORSHIP IN PERSON AND ON ZOOM SUNDAY AT 10:30 A.M.

Zoom "doors" open at 10 a.m. at the following link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86517107296?pwd=aVZp WFV0b0QzbFF6ZFVPTDFsL0FZQT09

Phone-in # **1-253-215-8782** Meeting ID **865 1710 7296** Password **299944**

BAPTISM AND MEMBERSHIP

New-member welcome and baptisms coming in late April to mid-May. Are you interested in exploring participation and membership at Christ the King Lutheran, or do you know of someone who is seeking an open, welcoming, and affirming community of faith? Contact Pastor Dorothy at pastordorothy@tigardlutherans.com.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Holy Week begins March 24 with Palm/Passion Sunday. It is the week to walk the way of the cross with Jesus. Maundy Thursday and Good Friday worship in English begins at 6 p.m. (in-person and Zoom). Good Friday worship en español begins at 7:30 p.m. (in-person only).

Easter Sunday morning, 10:30 a.m. in English; Easter evening, 5 p.m. en español. There will be a baptism and at least two first communions celebrated. Come, worship and rejoice with our siblings in Christ as we welcome Mimi to the family of faith through the waters of baptism and welcome her and Diego to the table of grace. ¡Gracias a Dios!

CRISTO REY

Hermanos y hermanas, ven a celebrar la misa bilingüe el segundo y el cuarto domingo de cada mes a las 5 p.m. Gracias a Dios!

Brothers and sisters, worship at bilingual mass the second and fourth Sundays of every month at 5 p.m. You don't have to speak Spanish. The service is printed in both languages.

PRAYER REQUESTS

When you have a prayer request, there are several ways you can communicate that with us. Please call the church office (503-639-2789), send an email to **ctkoffice**@ **tigardlutherans.com**, call Pastor Dorothy's cell phone (503-849-6383), or visit **tigardlutherans.com** and click on the Communication tab.

ADULT EDUCATION

Women of the Passion and Resurrection meets Wednesdays at 7p.m. on Zoom. Who will we meet this week? Come and see!

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81614483579?pwd=ejdGN UhMdXJvTkdSQnc1ZGhmNIIzUT09

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GIVING

There are several ways to share your tithes and offerings:

- Place your offering in the plate on Sunday morning.
- Mail a check to the church office.
- Use your bank's online bill-pay service.
- Set up a recurring or single payment through Vanco by visiting our website.
- Scan the QR code (right) with your mobile device to go directly to our giving page.





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Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. Romans 15:7

Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana is a community of children of God who are seeking to know God by following the teachings of Jesus Christ, who welcomed all.

This community of faith is enriched and strengthened by diversity. We welcome all to share in the life and ministries of worship, sacraments, responsibilities, leadership, and blessings of participation in this congregation. We are committed to the work of racial equity.

Believing that God's unbounded love and grace are offered to all and meant to be shared and celebrated by all, we embrace differences of age, race, ethnicity, language, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, physical and mental abilities, appearance, economic status, marital status, and family situation.

No matter what your life experience is or has been, you are a child of God and you are welcome here.

Por lo tanto, recibíos los unos a los otros, como también Cristo nos recibió, para gloria de Dios. Romanos 15:7

Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana es una comunidad de hijos e hijas de Dios que buscan conocer a Dios siguiendo las enseñanzas de Jesucristo, quien ampara a todos.

Esta comunidad de fe se enriquece y fortalece con la diversidad. Damos la bienvenida a todos a compartir la vida y los ministerios de adoración, sacramentos, responsabilidades, liderazgo, y bendiciones de participación en esta congregación. Estamos comprometidos con el trabajo de la equidad racial.

Creyendo que el amor y la gracia ilimitados de Dios se ofrecen a todos y están destinados a ser compartidos y celebrados por todos, aceptamos las diferencias de edad, raza, etnia, idioma, identidad y expresión de género, orientación sexual, habilidades físicas y mentales, apariencia, estado económico, estado civil, y situación familiar.

No importa cuál sea o haya sido tu experiencia de vida, eres un hijo(a) de Dios y eres bienvenido(a) aquí.



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