

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
(DIVINE SERVICE 3)

MARCH 30, 2025
8:00 AND 11:00

WELCOME GUESTS If you're looking for a church home, we hope you'll consider Redeemer. If you're visiting with us for the first time, we'd like to present you with a coffee mug. Check out the faith-strengthening resources on the information cart, the library in the narthex, or www.redeemer-lutheran.net. If you have questions about this congregation or about the Lutheran Church, feel free to ask an usher or the Pastor. Please fill out a fellowship card (found in the pew racks) and drop it in today's collection plate, providing a phone number and e-mail address so that we may serve you better. For prayer request, please fill out a blue "Prayer Card" found in the narthex or the pews. Large print versions of this bulletin are available upon request at the Ushers' station. Thank you for worshipping with us.

PRAYER UPON ENTERING

My Lord Jesus Christ, You are indeed the only Shepherd, and I am the lost and straying sheep. I am anxious and afraid. I learn that You are as anxious for me as I am for You. I am eager to know how I can come to You for help. Anxiously, You desire above all else to bring me back to Yourself again. Then come to me. Seek and find me. Help me also to come to You and praise and honor you forever. Amen.

(Martin Luther)

THE PARABLE OF THE TWO SONS (Luke 15:11-32) Jesus reveals to the world an all-important aspect of the Kingdom He is ushering in – the Kingdom of Grace and Forgiveness that will be fulfilled by His death upon the Cross. This parable, most commonly referred to as "The Parable of the Prodigal Son" comes powerfully to each of us this morning with a one-two punch. The Word of God comes to shock us, both with the undeserved grace and loving-kindness of our Heavenly Father, and also with the sobering warning against any human pride in the grace we have received and any false belief that we are more deserving of God's rich and abundant favor than someone else. May each of us begin this new day in repentance, confessing back to our God what He has first revealed to us in this parable – the revelation summarized in the beautiful hymn "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive" (*Lutheran Service Book* 609):see page XX in the bulletin for words.

PRELUDE

OPENING VERSE

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made.

Cong.: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

(Psalm 118:24)

✠ PREPARATION ✠

Pastor: O Lord. Open my lips,

Cong.: and my mouth will declare Your praise.

HYMN "Christ, the Life of All the Living" [LSB 420]



1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of
 2 Thou, ah! Thou, hast tak - en on Thee Bonds and stripes, a
 3 Thou hast borne the smit - ing on - ly That my wounds might
 4 Heart - less scof - fers did sur-round Thee, Treat - ing Thee with



death, our foe, Who, Thy - self for me once giv - ing
 cru - el rod; Pain and scorn were heaped up - on Thee,
 all be whole; Thou hast suf - fered, sad and lone - ly,
 shame - ful scorn And with pierc - ing thorns they crowned Thee.



To the dark - est depths of woe: Through Thy suf - f'rings,
 O Thou sin - less Son of God! Thus didst Thou my
 Rest to give my wea - ry soul; Yea, the curse of
 All dis - grace Thou, Lord, hast borne, That as Thine Thou



death, and mer - it I e - ter - nal life in - her - it.
 soul de - liv - er From the bonds of sin for - ev - er.
 God en - dur - ing, Bless - ing un - to me se - cur - ing.
 might - est own me And with heav'n - ly glo - ry crown me.



Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.
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5 Thou hast suffered men to bruise Thee,
 That from pain I might be free;
 Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee:
 Thence I gain security;
 Comfortless Thy soul did languish
 Me to comfort in my anguish.
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

6 Thou hast suffered great affliction
 And hast borne it patiently,
 Even death by crucifixion,
 Fully to atone for me;
 Thou didst choose to be tormented
 That my doom should be prevented.
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon,
 For Thy sorrows deep and sore,
 For Thine anguish in the Garden,
 I will thank Thee evermore,

Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,
 For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,
 For that last triumphant cry,
 And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

Stand

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong.: Amen.

(Matthew 28:19b)

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

(Hebrews 10:22)

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Cong.: who made heaven and earth.

(Psalm 124:8)

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

Cong.: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Psalm 32:5)

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

Cong.: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong.: Amen.

(John 20:19-23)

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

INTROIT

(Psalm 51:2-6; *antiphon*: Psalm 51:1)

Pastor: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

Cong.: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Pastor: Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment..

**Cong.: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
and in sin did my mother conceive me.**

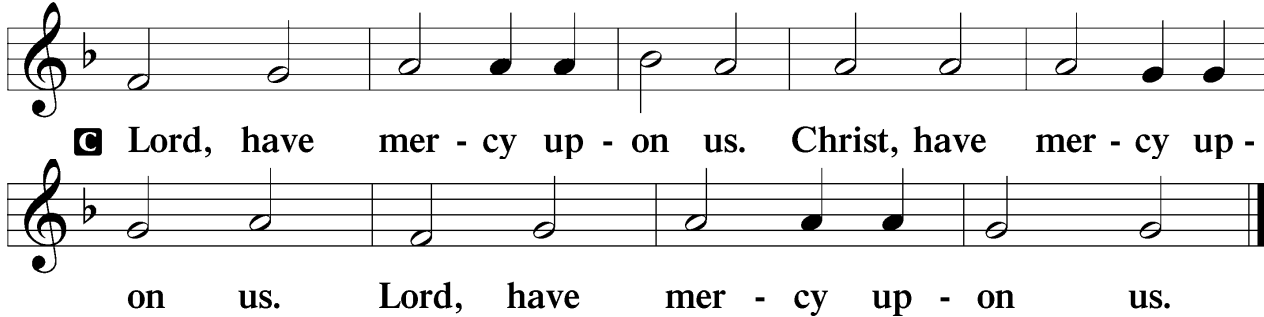
Pastor: Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,
and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Pastor: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

KYRIE

(Mark 10:47)



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

SALUTATION

(2 Timothy 4:22)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong.: And with your spirit.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

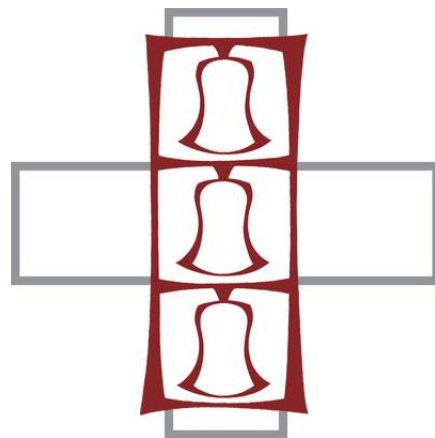
Pastor Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

Sit

HANDBELL ANTHEM “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”

(arr. Jason W. Krug)



READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Elder: The Lord be with you.

Cong.: And also with you.

Old Testament Reading (page 576 in the pew Bibles)

Isaiah 12:1-6

You will say in that day:

“I will give thanks to you, O LORD,
for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away,
that you might comfort me.

“Behold, God is my salvation;
I will trust, and will not be afraid;
for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.”

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say in that day:

“Give thanks to the LORD,
call upon his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that his name is exalted.

“Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.
Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

Epistle (page 966 in the pew Bibles)

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

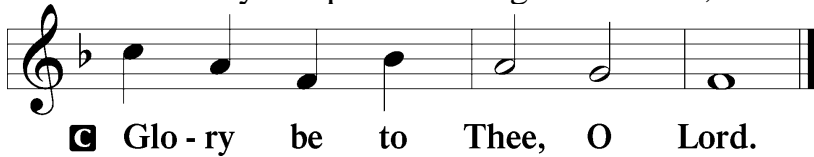
From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

Stand

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.



Holy Gospel (page 874 in the pew Bibles)

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

So he told them this parable:

And he said, “There was a man who had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

“But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.’” And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to celebrate.

“Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.’ But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, ‘Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’ And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.



NICENE CREED

**I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living
and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified, who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY

“God Loved the World So That He Gave” [LSB hymn 571]



1 God loved the world so that He gave His on - ly
 2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, Who was made
 3 God would not have the sin - ner die; His Son with
 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son For - gives all



Son the lost to save, That all who would in
 flesh and suf - fered death; All then who trust in
 sav - ing grace is nigh; His Spir - it in the
 sins which you have done; And, jus - ti - fied by



Him be - lieve Should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.
 Him a - lone Are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.
 Word de - clares How we in Christ are heav - en's heirs.
 Je - sus' blood, Your Bap - tism grants the high - est good.

- 5 If you are sick, if death is near,
 This truth your troubled heart can cheer:
 Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;
 That is the firmest ground of faith.
- △ 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
 And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
 To You, O blessèd Trinity,
 Be praise now and eternally!

SERMON

(Pastor Ernest Jeong)

OFFERTORY

(Psalm 51:10-12)



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

OFFERING

You may place your offering in the plate as you exit the service.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

Stand

Pastor: *Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.*

Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your steadfast love. Give us a proper knowledge of the evil we have done in Your sight. Move us to confess our offenses against You, and justify us with Your holy absolution. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Holy God, You delight in truth in the inward being and teach us wisdom in the secret heart. Give to our pastors every good gift as Your ambassadors, that we may grow in faith and hope. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Father of mercy, remember Your baptized children who have left Your household and departed from the faith. Call them to repentance according to Your gracious will. Remember parents, grandparents and all who mourn their departure. Sustain them in faithful patience to wait and pray. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty God, in Christ You reconciled the world to Yourself. Watch over our nation and all whom You have placed in authority. Give them wisdom and prudence, that Your people might live in peace and freely make known the message of reconciliation. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Everlasting Father, although this world is passing away due to sin, we pray that You would preserve Your creation for our provision until You usher in Your new creation. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Heavenly Father, hear our prayers for all who cry out to You for mercy, healing, help, and traveling, *including*.... Deliver them according to Your will and, as You have made them a new creation in Christ, keep them mindful of the day when sorrow and sickness will be no more. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Great in our midst is the Holy One of Israel, who visits us this day with His body and blood! Give to all who partake of this Holy Communion penitent hearts to receive Christ Jesus as our strength and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

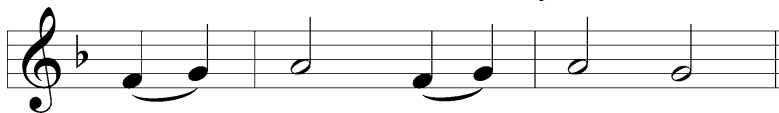
Cong.: Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠ PREFACE



P The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)



C And with thy spir - it.

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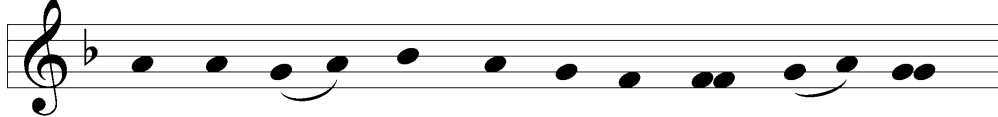


P Lift up your hearts.

(Colossians 3:1)



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

(Psalm 136)



C It is meet and right so to do.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly meet, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS

(Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

(Matthew 6: 9-13)

Pastor: Remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

**Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

WORDS OF OUR LORD

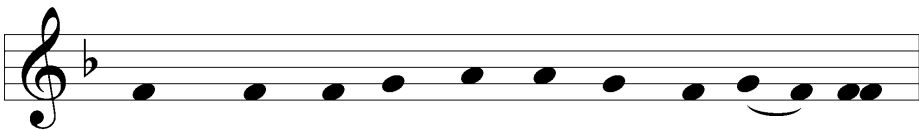
(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✝ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

(John 20:19)



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

AGNUS DEI

(John 1:29)

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this altar in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor of this congregation. For further study, see Matthew 5:23ff, 10:32ff, 18:15-35, 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34.

PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNING

Almighty Lord Jesus Christ, as often as I shall come to Your holy table to refresh my spirit, I pray You to make me, unworthy as I am, worthy through Your grace; impure as I am, to make me clean; naked as I am, to clothe me, so that Your body, so full of divine power, and Your most precious blood may not become for me, Your servant, the occasion for judgment or punishment, but a memorial of the death You underwent for me, a strengthening of my faith, a proof of the taking away of my sins, a bond of closer union with You and Your people, an increase of holiness, the basis of a glad resurrection, and a pledge of everlasting life. Amen.

What actually is the Lord's Supper?

The Lord's Supper (Holy Communion) should be received, after proper instruction and preparation, in the sure and certain confidence that Jesus Christ is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine to forgive the sin of all who receive him in repentance (according to 1Corinthians 10:14-17; 11:17-33; Matthew 26:17-30; Mark 14:12-26; Luke 22:7-30). Please review the questions on pages 326-27 and 329-330 in the front part of "Lutheran Service Book" for a proper understanding of this holy meal.

Who may properly come to the Lord's Supper?

You are invited to receive Christ's true body and blood if you:

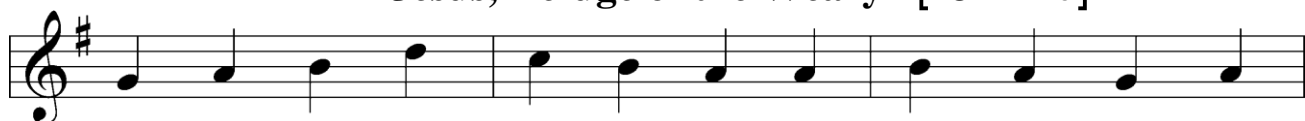
- have been Baptized into the name of the Triune God (Father, Son and Holy Spirit);
- repent of your sin against God and recognize your need to forgive others as God has forgiven you;
- put your trust in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation;
- are old enough to examine your own faith and life (according to 1Corinthians 11:27-32);
- believe in the words of Jesus himself when he declares that his Body and Blood are truly present in, with and under the bread and wine, offering life, salvation and the forgiveness of sins;
- sincerely intend to live a God-pleasing life in accordance with God's will as revealed in the Bible;
- have received instruction about the Supper at a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod congregation.

I now come to the Lord's Table having read, understood and agreed with these beliefs.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Jesus, Refuge of the Weary" [LSB 423]



1 Je - sus, ref - uge of the wea - ry, Blest Re - deem - er,
2 Do we pass that cross un - heed - ing, Breath - ing no re -
3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing With more fer - vent



whom we love, Foun - tain in life's des - ert drea - ry, Sav - ior
pen - tant vow, Though we see You wound - ed, bleed - ing, See Your
love for You; May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing To be -



from the world a - bove: Of - ten have Your eyes, of - fend - ed,
thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Yet Your sin - less death has brought us
hold Your cross a - new Till in glo - ry, part - ed nev - er



Gazed up - on the sin - ner's fall; Yet up - on the
Life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest; On - ly what Your
From the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, Grav - en in our



cross ex - tend - ed, You have borne the pain of all.
grace has taught us Calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.
hearts for - ev - er, Dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied.



“I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table” [LSB 618]



1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and
2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners
3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I
4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my
5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's



wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -
may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in
have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt
soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -
bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of



lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:
faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.
ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:
ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.



Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

“Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared” [LSB 622]



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, You have pre - pared This feast for
 2 Al - though You did to heav'n as - cend, Where an - gel
 3 Yet, Sav - ior, You are not con - fined To an - y
 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your pre - cious



our sal - va - tion; It is Your bod - y
 hosts are dwell - ing, And in Your pres - ence
 hab - i - ta - tion; But You are pres - ent
 Word be - liev - ing That Your true bod - y



and Your blood, And at Your in - vi - ta - tion
 they be - hold Your glo - ry, all ex - cel - ling,
 e - ven now Here with Your con - gre - ga - tion.
 and Your blood Our lips are here re - ceiv - ing.



As wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, We come to
 And though Your peo - ple shall not see Your glo - ry
 Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Un - moved by
 This Word re - mains for - ev - er true, All things are



You for need - ed rest, For com - fort, and for par - don.
 and Your maj - es - ty Till dawns the judg - ment morn - ing,
 an - y dar - ing hand Or sub - tle craft and cun - ning.
 pos - si - ble with You, For You are Lord Al - might - y.

5 Though reason cannot understand,
 Yet faith this truth embraces:
 Your body, Lord, is even now
 At once in many places.
 I leave to You how this can be;
 Your Word alone suffices me;
 I trust its truth unailing.

6 Lord, I believe what You have said;
 Help me when doubts assail me.
 Remember that I am but dust,
 And let my faith not fail me.
 Your supper in this vale of tears
 Refreshes me and stills my fears
 And is my priceless treasure.

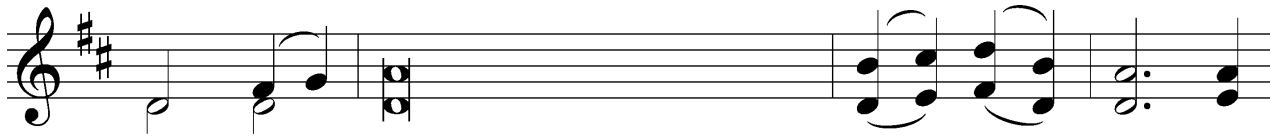
7 Grant that we worthily receive
 Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
 And, truly grieving for our sins,
 May prove by our behavior
 That we are thankful for Your grace
 And day by day may run our race,
 In holiness increasing.

8 For Your consoling supper, Lord,
 Be praised throughout all ages!
 Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
 The world against it rages.
 Grant that this sacrament may be
 A blessèd comfort unto me
 When living and when dying.

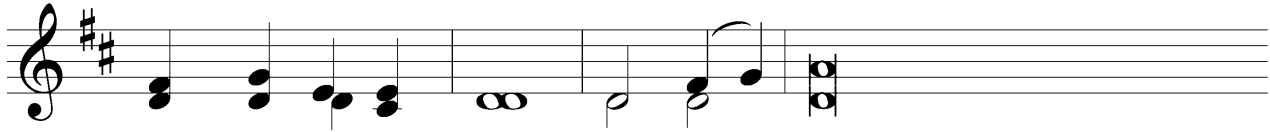
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NUNC DIMITTIS

(Luke 2:29-32)



C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -



cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



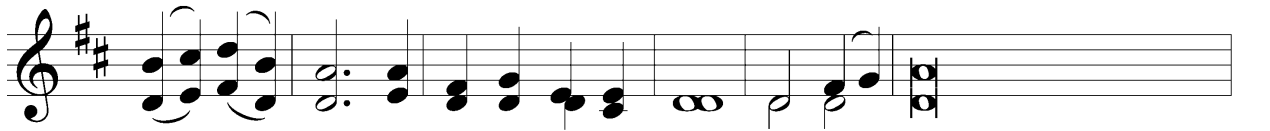
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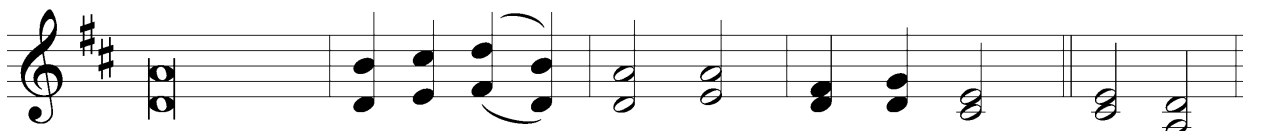
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



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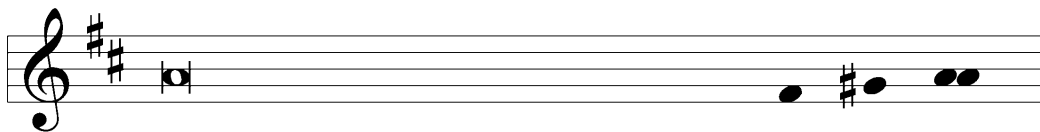
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



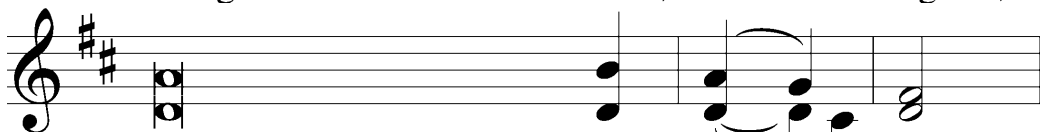
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING

(Psalm 107:1)



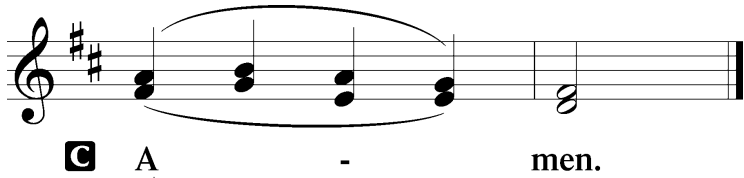
A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



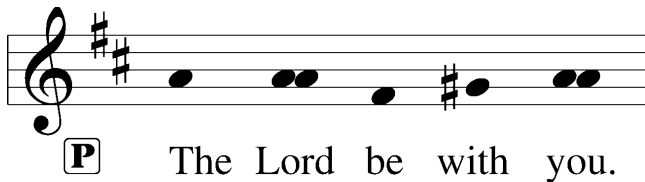
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

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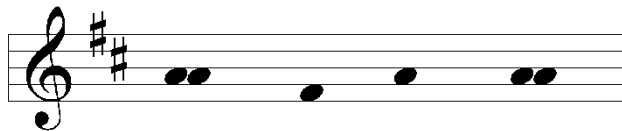
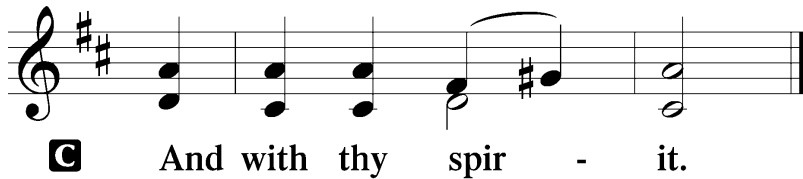
Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



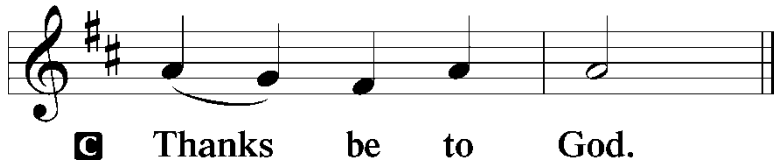
SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS



(2 Timothy 4:22)



(Psalm 103:1)



BENEDICTION

(Numbers 6:24-26)

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 His peace.



HYMN

“Jesus Sinners Doth Receive” [LSB 609]



1 Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive; Oh, may all this
2 We de - serve but grief and shame, Yet His words, rich
3 Sheep that from the fold did stray No true shep - herd
4 I, a sin - ner, come to Thee With a pen - i -



say - ing pon - der Who in sin's de - lu - sions live
grace re - veal - ing, Par - don, peace, and life pro - claim;
e'er for - sak - eth; Wea - ry souls that lost their way
tent con - fes - sion. Sav - ior, mer - cy show to me;



And from God and heav - en wan - der! Here is hope for
Here our ills have per - fect heal - ing. Firm - ly in these
Christ, the Shep - herd, gent - ly tak - eth In His arms that
Grant for all my sins re - mis - sion. Let these words my



all who grieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.
words be - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.
they may live: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.
soul re - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.

5 Oh, how blest it is to know:
Were as scarlet my transgression,
It shall be as white as snow
By Thy blood and bitter passion;
For these words I now believe:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

6 Now my conscience is at peace;
From the Law I stand acquitted.
Christ hath purchased my release
And my ev'ry sin remitted.
Naught remains my soul to grieve:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

7 Jesus sinners doth receive;
Also I have been forgiven;
And when I this earth must leave,
I shall find an open heaven.
Dying, still to Him I cleave:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

(Psalm 103:1)

POSTLUDE

SERVING OUR LORD AND HIS PEOPLE TODAY

| | <i>8:00 Service</i> | <i>11:00 Service</i> |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Acolyte: | Barnes | Jacob Jurenka |
| Ushers: | Vona Dodge David Volkert | Paul T. Jurenka Ted Witkamp |
| Elders/Reader: | Adam Volkert Reinhard Vogtmann | Roman Jurenka Manny Flores |
| Organist: | Matt Laub | |
| Altar Guild: | Alisa Duffey, Jan Flores, Doris White | |

LAST SUNDAY WE PRAYED FOR:

HEALING Ron Wuckert is having knee replacement surgery

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS: Gabriella Gasparian 3/31; Richard Anderson 1/1;
Michael Wuckert 1/2

THIS WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES: Mark & Alice Hansen 4/3

THIS WEEK'S BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS: Catherine Tochluk 3/31; Joan Harris 4/1;
Ken Lesniewski 4/5; DarraLynn VadeBoncoeur 4/5; Michael VadeBoncoeur 4/5

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NEWS AND NOTES

MARCH 30, 2025

Opportunities This Week To Serve Our Lord And Our Neighbor

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| 30 Sunday | <i>The Fourth Sunday in Lent</i> Divine Service 8:00 & 11:00 AM Sunday School/Confirmation 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study “Ephesians” 9:30 AM (in the Sanctuary with Karen Miller) |
| 31 Monday | Church Office Closed <i>Pastor Jeong’s Day off</i> Al Anon 10:00 AM Celestial Ringers 6:00 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM |
| 1 Tuesday | Christian Hospitality 6:00 PM Al Anon 6:00 PM Sanctuary Choir 7:00 PM |
| 2 Wednesday | Preschool Chapel 10:00 AM Midweek Lenten Services 4:00 & 7:00 PM Soup Supper 5:15 PM |
| 3 Thursday | Elders Meeting 7:00 PM Women’s Bible Study “Isaiah 40-55” 7:00 PM |
| 4 Friday | Preschool Trike-a-thon |
| 5 Saturday | Oratio, Meditatio, Tentatio Prayer group 9:00 AM Sewing Group 9:30 AM-5:00 PM |
| 6 Sunday | <i>The Fifth Sunday in Lent</i> Divine Service 8:00 & 11:00 AM Sunday School/Confirmation Classes 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study “Ephesians” 9:30 AM (in the Sanctuary with Karen Miller) Sunday School & Youth Brunch Bunch 10:30 AM |

For Further Information Please Call the Church Office at 714-846-6330

Church Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM / 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Preschool Office Hours: Monday – Friday 7:00 AM – 5:30 PM

BIBLE STUDIES

“Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of Christ” (Romans 10:17)

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY

“Ephesians” (9:30 AM with Karen Miller in the Sanctuary)

FIRST THURSDAY WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY

“Isaiah 40-55” (7:00 PM with Karen Miller in the Music Room)

REDEEMER'S STEWARDSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 145

*God has given each of us gifts and calls us in 1 Peter 4:10,11 to
"use them to serve one another that God may be glorified through Jesus Christ".*



SPOTLIGHT ON STEWARDSHIP Luke 15:12 "And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them." This prodigal son only sees the father as a source of wealth. "Give me my inheritance now!" he says, which is really to say, "You are better off dead in my eyes." This is the sin at the heart of all greed: valuing things over people. This parable calls us to come to our senses as well, and to see God as the loving Giver of all good, the true Father to be valued above and beyond all the things of this world.

AROUND REDEEMER

WORSHIP SERVICES AT REDEEMER are offered in our Sanctuary on Sundays at 8:00 and 11:00 AM and available online at 8:00 AM on www.facebook.com/RedeemerLutheranHB/ as a Facebook live stream, and accessible from www.redeemer-lutheran.net. Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 AM for Sunday School.

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL the lesson is "**The Lord's Supper**". Luke 22:1-23. Jesus is our Passover Lamb, who with His very body and blood grants us forgiveness, life and salvation.

BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY will be April 12th. We will watch and discuss "**Rod Rosenblatt's lecture on The Gospel for those Broken by the Church**" led by Pastor Miller. Plan to attend this very informative presentation. Please RSVP to the church office for breakfast.

OLD GUYS BREAKFAST AT DENNY'S (You don't have to be old) If you would like to join in on the fellowship and food (everyone pays for their own meal) we meet at Denny's at 18477 Beach Blvd. HB (cross street is Ellis), on Fridays at 11:30 AM. Call the church office if you would like more information.

SAVE THE DATE Vacation Bible School will be July 14th-18th 9:00 AM-12:00 PM daily. VBS includes those who are 4 years old through those completing 5th grade. If you would like to volunteer to help in any way, please contact Bonnie Volkert at bonnievolkert@gmail.com or 714-697-0617.

GAME NIGHT Come join us in faith, friendship and Tabletop Board gaming every month on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 5:30 to 10:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall (**next month will be April 26th**). This is intended for all members of the Congregation who like games, and we encourage you to come and invite your friends. This is a fun outreach opportunity, and we have a few regular attendees who are not members of our Congregation. You can also contact Christopher Lundgren via the Church Office for more information.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION AND COMMUNION are by appointment. Please call the church office to arrange a date and time.

PORTALS OF PRAYER The April through June edition is here. Please make use of this helpful resource. Copies are available in the narthex.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

ANNUAL TRIKE-A-THON FUNDRAISER Friday, April 4th at 11:00 AM. The preschool students bring their decorated bike, trike or scooter to ride laps around our trike-a-thon course. They ride as long as they can for an allotted amount of time, appropriate for their age group. While parents and family members of our students donate, it will require more help to reach the goal needed this year due to low enrollment. We are collecting general donations for the financial support of providing fun and educational programs offered this summer. Our goal is to reach \$1,000. Any assistance from church members is greatly appreciated.



MARCH HYMN OF THE MONTH

JESUS, REFUGE OF THE WEARY - LSB 423 Late thirteenth-century Italy saw the rise of a new form of monophonic sacred song in Italian that was sung outside the Church's official liturgy. During the following two centuries, the *lauda*, as it was called, became the leading genre of popular song in Italian. Girolamo Savonarola (1452-98), who encouraged the singing of *laude*, wrote the original text of this *lauda* which was translated by Jane F. Wilde, Lady Wilde (1821-96), and published in 1853 in R.R. Madden's *Life and Martyrdom of Savonarola*,. In 1864, it appeared in Wilde's own *Poems*, which she dedicated to her sons Willie and Oscar. The former would become a famous eye surgeon and the latter an internationally known author, playwright, and poet.

The hymn's first stanza is a prayer to Jesus, who is "refuge of the weary" according to His own promise: "Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls" (Matthew 11:28-29). He is a "fountain in life's desert dreary" (stanza 1; see Psalm 36:9; 68:26) who is "from the world above" (see John 3:31; 8:23), as He invites us to drink the water that wells up to eternal life (John 4:14; 7:37). His sacred eyes were offended as His gaze surveyed what sin had done to all people (Matthew 23:27; Luke 13:34). Nevertheless, on the cross He bore the pain of all (1 Peter 2:24; Isaiah 53:4-5, 11).

Stanza 2 asks the memorable and oft-quoted question of self-examination, "Do we pass that cross unheeding, breathing no repentant vow?" Ignorance or neglect is no less a sin than that of those who passed by His cross, seeing His "thorn-encircled brow" (stanza 2; see Matthew 27:29), wagging their heads and deriding Him outright (Mark 15:29-30; Psalm 22:7; 109:25). Yet His sinless suffering and death was the priceless sacrifice that alone brought us eternal life (John 3:15-16), peace (Colossians 1:20), and rest (2 Corinthians 5:21).

The sorrow of true repentance prepares the way for the gift of faith that prays, as in stanza 3, for more fervent, heartfelt love for Christ (Song of Solomon 8:6; Luke 24:32). Such faith and love lift our hearts and eyes always to behold the cross of Jesus, which has now become our own to bear as we follow Him.

MISSIONARIES WE SUPPORT

REV. DENNIS & DEACONESS LORNA MEEKER email at 4kenyaskids@gmail.com

REV. DANIEL & KATHY CONRAD for information see <https://www.lcms.org/conrad>

BENJAMIN & REBECCA HELGE for information see <https://www.lcms.org/helge>

VICAR/SEMINARIAN CORY WILLWEBER email at cwillweber@gmail.com

For information on where you can send support, contact the church office.

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR

The prodigal's father kept watching every day for his wayward son's return. He had to have in order to spot him "while he was still a long way off" (Luke 15:20). Our Gracious God never gives up on a human life, no matter what size, skills, circumstances, or sins it involves. We need not let surprise pregnancies, chronic conditions, or terminal diagnoses steal our hope—or anyone else's!

PORTALS OF PRAYER APP

PORTALS OF PRAYER No matter when or where you need it, Portals of Prayer inspires you to live each day in Jesus' name. Each daily devotion speaks Gospel truth through applicable, relatable meditations. Portals of Prayer app is available at <https://www.cph.org/portals/portals-of-prayer-app.aspx>. A yearly subscription to the app is \$9.99.

'SET APART TO SERVE' 2025 CONGREGATION SURVEY

WHERE DO WE GET PASTORS WHO PREACH AND CARE FOR US WITH GOD'S WORD? Where do we get teachers who teach our children about Jesus in our Lutheran schools? Where do we get our directors of Christian education, deaconesses and directors of parish music? *Set Apart to Serve (SAS)* is partnering with our seminaries, Concordia universities, districts and others to build a Synodwide culture of church work formation and recruitment. Will you please take a brief online survey at [lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey](https://www.lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey) and let us know how we can make SAS more beneficial to your congregation? We want to hear what you have to say.

LUTHERAN TELEVISION, RADIO, & ONLINE PROGRAMS

DID YOU MISS A SUNDAY SERVICE OR BIBLE STUDY SESSION? Visit our website www.redeemer-lutheran.net to find past services posted under Online Services/Video Services and Bible studies posted under Education/Bible Study Recordings.

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE AM850 & kfuo.org: KFUE's annual Sharathon is this week! From April 3rd-5th, join us for special programming, fun giveaways, and a chance to make a difference by supporting the mission and ministry of KFUE Radio. Start, sustain, or strengthen your partnership with us during this year's giving drive! To learn more, visit: kfuo.org/sharathon

2025 LENT & EASTER WORSHIP SERVICES AT REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

THE HAND OF THE LORD

Wednesday Services at 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Soup supper at 5:30 PM

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| April 2 | “The Hand of the Lord Who Holds All Things” |
| April 9 | “The Hand of the Lord Who Raises the Dead” |
| April 13 | Palm Sunday Divine Service <i>8:00 AM & 11:00 AM</i> |
| April 17 | Maundy Thursday Divine Service <i>4:00 PM & 7:00 PM</i> “The Hand of the Lord Who Serves and Feeds Us” |
| April 18 | Good Friday Service of the Word <i>4:00 PM & 7:00 PM</i> “The Hand of the Lord Who Was Pierced for Us” |
| April 19 | Easter Vigil Divine Service <i>7:00 PM</i> “The Hand of the Lord Who Made Us” |
| April 20 | Resurrection of Our Lord Divine Service <i>8:00 AM & 11:00 AM</i> “The Hand of the Lord Who Is Risen” |

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**KIDS IN THE
DIVINE SERVICE**
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Why do we celebrate Lent for 40 days?

Don't forget what Lent is all about! It is a time when we are reminded of what Jesus gave up for us, and a time when we look forward to and prepare for His death and resurrection!



We celebrate Lent for six weeks, or 40 days, as we remember Christ's temptation in the wilderness in the Gospel of Matthew. There **Jesus was without food** for 40 days.



We remember the temptation of **the Israelites in the desert** after the Lord had delivered them from Egypt. This lasted 40 years.



Finally, we can remember the story of **Noah and his family**. After 40 days and 40 nights of rain, the Lord delivered them as He promised.

During these 40 days of Lent, we remember God's faithfulness to His people and how His faithfulness is complete in Jesus, our Savior. Jesus remains faithful to us, always being where He promises to be: in His Word and Sacraments. Wow! What a Savior!



Parents: Continue to encourage your children in their Lenten preparation. During worship, point out the places where our Lord comes to us (i.e. God's Word, Holy Communion, Holy Baptism, Absolution). Remember, being their example and companion on this Lenten journey makes a difference!



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DAILY, CHRIST OFFERS HIS RICH BLESSINGS THROUGH THE SCRIPTURES.
SUGGESTED READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 30, 2025:

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| Sunday, March 30: | Genesis 41:28-57; Isaiah 12:1-6; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32 |
| Monday, March 31: | Genesis 42: 1-34, 38 & Mark 12:1-12 |
| Tuesday, April 1: | Genesis 43: 1-28 & Mark 12:13-27 |
| Wednesday, April 2: | Genesis 44: 1-18, 32-34 & Mark 12:28-44 |
| Thursday, April 3: | Genesis 45:1-20, 24-28 & Mark 13:1-23 |
| Friday, April 4: | Genesis 47:1-31 & Mark 13:24-37 |
| Saturday, April 5: | Genesis 49:29-50:7, 14-26 & Mark 14:1-11 |
| Sunday, April 6: | Exodus 1:1-22; Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:8-14; Luke 20:9-20 |

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