

FEBRUARY 25, 2024 | *Second Sunday in Lent*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome to our worship service today! We are glad to have you with us as we gather before our almighty and saving God to hear His holy and powerful Word and celebrate His life-giving Sacraments, offering our prayers and praises as He strengthens our faith and brings us ever closer to our eternal home with Him.

SERVICE NOTES

Christ humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

If you need any assistance, please ask any of our ushers for help. In inclement weather, or if walking from your car is difficult, please make use of the carport. The ushers will gladly park and/or retrieve your car for you if needed.

If you are a visitor with us today, please sign the Guest Book before you leave today. If you would like to learn more about our church or are interested in church membership, please speak with the Pastor or one of the Elders.

If you have small children, please note there is a Parents' Room at the rear of the sanctuary if you need to temporarily calm a child, but we are caring, loving and happy to hear your child/children. From the Parents' Room you can still see, hear, and participate in the worship service.

For your convenience today's order of service is printed on the following pages. It is based on the Order of Morning Service, found on p. 5ff. in *The Lutheran Hymnal*.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Minister

Rev. Roger Holtz

Organist

Deb Meyer

Elder on Duty

Sunday: Dan Lindquist

Ushers on Duty

Dennis Barlament, Brian Busse, Daniel Meves

Altar Guild

Donna Carter and Sue Engberg

The Order of Morning Service

Please stand.

OPENING HYMN

Soldiers of the Cross, Arise | 501

INVOCATION AND CONFESSION OF SINS

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

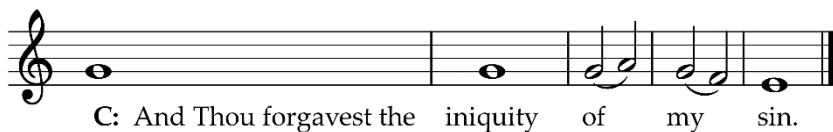


M: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.



M: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.



M: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us; have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

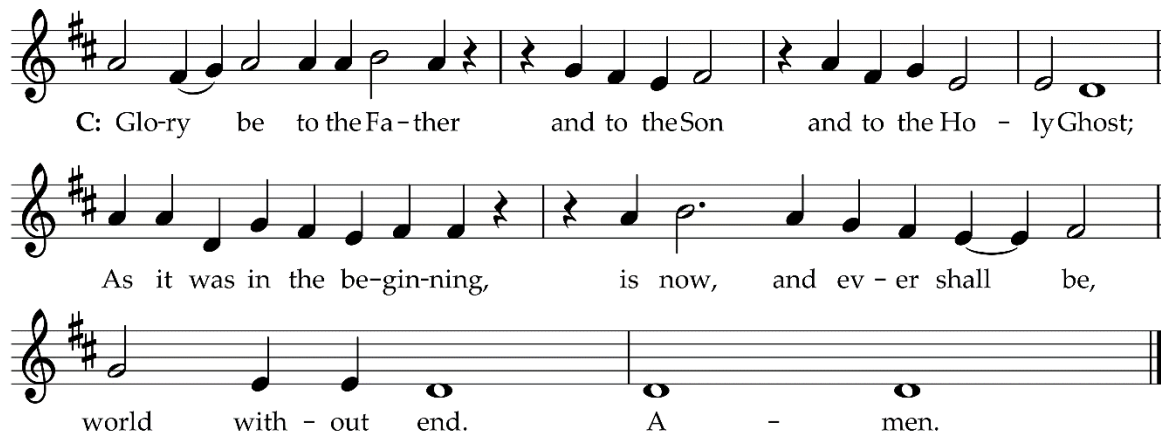
M: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only-begotten Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His Name He gives power to become the children of God, and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all!



You may be seated.

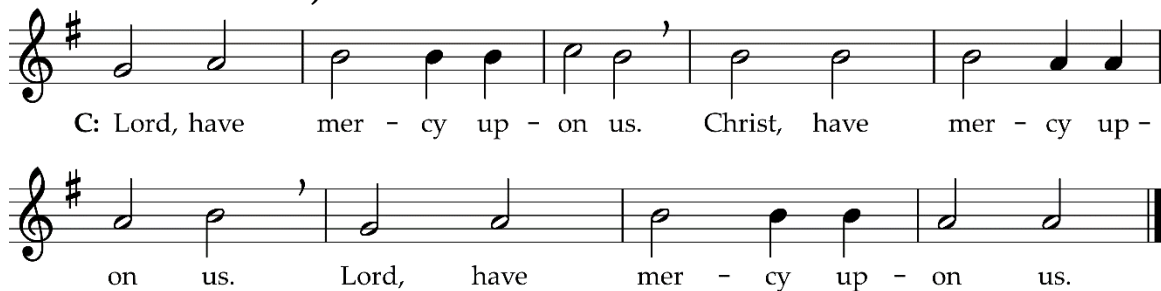
THE INTROIT & GLORIA PATRI

M: Remember, O Lord, Your tender mercies and lovingkindnesses, for they have been from of old. Let not my enemies triumph over me. Redeem Israel, O God, out of all their troubles!



THE KYRIE—*LORD, HAVE MERCY*

Psalm 123:3



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS—"GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST"

Luke 2:14



C: Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the
world, have mercy up - on us. Thou that takest away the sin of the
world, re - ceive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the

Father, have mercy up - on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou
on - ly art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly
Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

PSALM 22 (*See Insert*)

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spir - it.

Please stand.

M: Let us pray: Almighty God, you see that we have no power to defend ourselves. Guard and keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities that may happen to the body and all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

You may be seated.

FIRST LESSON: JOB 1:13-22

¹³Now there was a day when his sons and daughters *were* eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother's house; ¹⁴and a messenger came to Job and said, "The oxen were plowing and the donkeys feeding beside them, ¹⁵when the Sabeans raided *them* and took them away—indeed they have killed the servants with the edge of the sword; and I alone have escaped to tell you!"

¹⁶While he *was* still speaking, another also came and said, "The fire of God fell from heaven and burned up the sheep and the servants, and consumed them; and I alone have escaped to tell you!"

¹⁷While he *was* still speaking, another also came and said, "The Chaldeans formed three bands, raided the camels and took them away, yes, and killed the servants with the edge of the sword; and I alone have escaped to tell you!"

¹⁸While he *was* still speaking, another also came and said, "Your sons and daughters *were* eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother's house, ¹⁹and suddenly a great wind came from across the wilderness and struck the four corners of the house, and it fell on the young people, and they are dead; and I alone have escaped to tell you!"

²⁰Then Job arose, tore his robe, and shaved his head; and he fell to the ground and worshiped. ²¹And he said:

"Naked I came from my mother's womb,
And naked shall I return there.
The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away;
Blessed be the name of the LORD."

²²In all this Job did not sin nor charge God with wrong.

SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 5:1-11

Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³And not only *that*, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; ⁴and perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

⁶For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. ⁸But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. ¹⁰For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. ¹¹And not

only *that*, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

GRADUAL

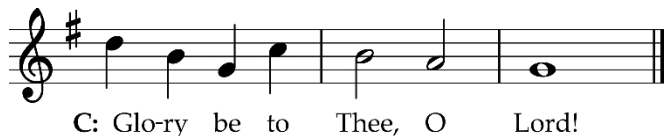
Mark 8:34

M: Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.



Please stand.

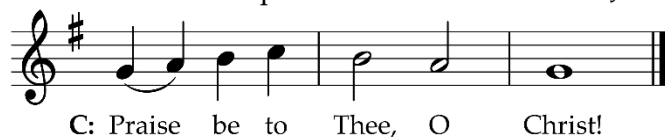
GOSPEL LESSON: MARK 8:31-38



³¹ And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³² He spoke this word openly. Then Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him. ³³ But when He had turned around and looked at His disciples, He rebuked Peter, saying, "Get behind Me, Satan! For you are not mindful of the things of God, but the things of men."

³⁴ When He had called the people to Himself, with His disciples also, He said to them, "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. ³⁵ For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. ³⁶ For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? ³⁷ Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? ³⁸ For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.



THE APOSTLES' CREED

C: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

You may be seated.

CHOIR

Take the World but Give me Jesus

HYMN

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less | **370**

Please stand for the singing of the final stanza.

SERMON – 2 CORINTHIANS 4:3-6

The Blessings of Lent are Amazing

1. Because they are so abundant.
2. Because they are so undeserved.
3. Because they are guaranteed.

Please stand.

THE OFFERTORY

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 Spi - rit 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.

You may be seated.

THE OFFERING

Please stand.

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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.

You may be seated.

Please stand.

COLLECT OF THE WORD

M: Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart, that by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.



THE BENEDICTION

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN

Jesus, Lead Thou On | 410

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS - If you are interested in sponsoring altar flowers, please sign up on the flower chart in the fellowship hall.

SNACK SPONSORS – Thanks to Paul and Linda Koch for sponsoring and serving snacks during our fellowship time this morning! If you're interested in sponsoring and serving snacks, please sign up on the sheet in the fellowship hall!

LIVESTREAM VOLUNTEERS – The sign-up sheet for March and April 2024 is posted. Please sign up for a Sunday(s) you are available. Thank you.

WOMEN ON A MISSION FEBRUARY EVENTS – We are collecting Laundry Love donations throughout the month (quarters, large garbage bags and individually wrapped snacks only). Two other items: (1) Our ladies of the congregation that make our prayer shawls and robes are always in need of yarn. Worsted or 4 ply yarn is preferable. (2) When finished with a quarter’s Meditations Daily Devotions, if you would like to donate to others, there is a labeled box in the ushers closet for collection of these books.

LENTEN SUPPERS – This week Wednesday is the third Lenten Supper at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to enjoy good food and fellowship.

EASTER BRUNCH – The Kitchen Committee is planning an Easter Brunch after the 9:30 a.m. worship service. Because we had low attendance for the Christmas Brunch, we want to know if there is enough interest to plan for Easter. Please sign up accordingly on the posted roster in the Fellowship Hall. This will help determine if we have enough interest.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST THE KING		OUR MISSION
SUNDAY (2/25)	Divine Service, 9:00 a.m. Education Hour, 10:30 a.m. Congregational Call Meeting, 3:30 p.m.	<i>Christ the King Ev. Lutheran Church gives all praise and thanks to the Triune God for His grace received through Word and Sacrament by sharing the saving Gospel of Christ with the people of this community and the world.</i>
WEDNESDAY (2/28)	Emerald Bay Service, 4:00 p.m. Soup Supper, 5:00 p.m. Ash Wed Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.	
SUNDAY (3/03)	Divine Service w/Comm., 9:00 a.m. Education Hour, 10:30 a.m.	