

Take a moment to notice the * at the beginning of various portions of the order of service. The * indicates the place where it is inappropriate to enter or leave the sanctuary because it marks a time of prayer or respect for the Word of the Lord. Please be considerate of others around you by honoring these notations.

SEXAGESIMA (60 DAYS TO EASTER)

Scripture Alone

February 4, 2024

AS WE GATHER: The Sower sows the seed of His Word (Luke 8:4-15). This Word is living and powerful (Heb. 4:9-13) to conceive new life in those who hear it. But the planting of Christ is attacked by the devil, the world, and the flesh. Satan snatches the Word away from hard hearts. The riches and pleasures of this life choke off faith. Shallow and emotional belief withers in time of temptation and trouble. But see how Christ bears this attack for us! Christ’s cross was planted in the hard and rocky soil of Golgotha. A crown of thorns was placed upon His head. Satan and His demons hellishly hounded and devoured Him. Yet, through His dying and rising again, He destroyed these enemies of ours. Jesus is Himself the Seed which fell to the ground and died in order that it might sprout forth to new life and produce much grain. In Him, the weak are strong (2 Cor. 11:19-12:9). He is the Word of the Father which does not return void (Is. 55:10-13) but yields a harvest hundredfold.

INTROIT Ps. 44:1-2, 7-8; antiphon: 44:23, 25a, 26a

Awake! Why are you sleeping, O Lord?
Rouse yourself! Do not reject us forever!
For our soul is bowed down to the dust.
Rise up; come to our help!

O God, we have heard with our ears, our fathers have told us,
what deeds you performed in their days, in the days of old
you with your own hand drove out the nations, but them you planted;
you afflicted the peoples, them you set free.

But you have saved us from our foes
and have put to shame those who hate us.

In God we have boasted continually,
And we will give thanks to you name forever.

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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Divine Service III

Announcements

Opening Hymn **LSB 577**
“Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast”

***Confession/Absolution:** LSB 184

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit (printed pg. 1)

***Kyrie:** LSB 186

***Salutation:** LSB 189

***Collect of the Day:** (printed pg. 2)

Catechism Review

Catechism Recitation Question #34

Old Testament: Isaiah 55:10-13

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Epistle: 2 Corinthians 11:19-12:10

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Psalm 84 (printed pg. 2ff)

***Alleluia and Verse** LSB 190

***Holy Gospel:** Luke 8:4-15

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***Apostles’ Creed:** LSB 192

Sermon Hymn: **LSB 655**
“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

Sermon

Offertory LSB 192

*Prayer of the Church

***Lord’s Prayer:** LSB 196

***Benediction:** LSB 202

Closing Hymn: **LSB 805**
“Doxology”

As Prayer Warriors with Love, Inc.: For women- Please pray for a woman losing her job after working for 18 months, that she can find another job soon. a woman please pray as she works, and goes to Hawkeye for Nursing. Please pray that she can make ends meet financially for this last year of schooling, and can make it til she gets her R.N. a woman please pray over her life as she moves forward in her sobriety. a woman please pray that she will get a job soon so she can continue to support her children. a woman please pray she will find a new safe place to live as the house she was in got sold. Also, please pray that she will continue to stay focused on God. a woman please pray that she will continue managing herself, and resolving her depression. Please pray for discernment as she pays off her bills from Christmas. a woman please pray for her family. a woman please pray for the burns on her head after having her hair catch on fire from a candle. a woman please pray that her car gets repaired so she can return to her home in Florida. a woman needing a new beginning, please pray that God would open the doors for her where he would like her to be. For men- Please pray for a man that he will find employment after being out of work since June 2023. a man please pray that God will watch over him and his family. Also, please pray that the doctors can help him with pain management. a man please pray over his life, and his circumstances.

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***COLLECT OF THE DAY:**

Pastor: O God,
People: **the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant
that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity;
through Jesus Christ, Your Son,
our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now
and forever. Amen.**

PSALM 84 (responsively) antiphon: v. 4

Blessed are those who dwell in your house,
ever singing your praise!
**How lovely is your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!**
My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.
**Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where
she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.**
Blessed are those who dwell in your house,
ever singing your praise!
**Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**
As they go through the Valley of Baca they make it a place of springs;
the early rain also covers it with pools.
**They go from strength to strength;
each one appears before God in Zion.**
O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob!
**Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed!**

For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the
tents of wickedness.
For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows

favor and honor.
No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.
O LORD of hosts,
blessed is the one who trusts in you!
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