

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.



In great love He was slain for us and by His blood He ransomed us for God. As our substitute, carrying our sin, the Holy Lamb of God received the punishment that we deserved! And as He, Himself, cried out, “It is finished!” (John 19:30). As we marvel at the forgiveness He won for us at Calvary, we also give thanks for the means by which He brings it to us still today. As we receive Holy Communion during this Lenten season, guests who desire to commune are asked to speak with the pastor or an elder before the service. For Scriptural reasons, we practice close communion. If you do not belong to a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, we invite you to join our communion fellowship. For details, please speak or make an appointment with Pastor Kane through the church office (319) 235-6705.

LAETARE (REJOICE) FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

The Lord Feeds His People

March 10, 2024

AS WE GATHER: The Lord provided bread from heaven for His people in the wilderness (Ex. 16:2-21). Now He who is Himself the living bread from heaven miraculously provides bread for the five thousand (John 6:1-15). This takes place near the time of the Passover, after a great multitude had followed Jesus across the sea, and when He went up on a mountain. Seen in this way, Jesus is our new and greater Moses, who releases us from the bondage of Mount Sinai and makes us free children of the promise (Gal. 4:21-31). Five loaves become twelve baskets—that is, the five books of Moses find their goal and fulfillment in Christ, whose people continue steadfastly in the doctrine and fellowship of the twelve apostles, and in the breaking and receiving of the bread of life, which is the body of Christ together with His precious blood, and in the prayers (Acts 2:41-47). So it is that God’s people “shall not hunger or thirst” (Is. 49:8-13). For He abundantly provides for us in both body and soul.

*COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

People: 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. Amen.

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Divine Service I

Announcements

Opening Hymn: LSB 897

“O Rejoice, Ye Christians, Loudly’

*Confession/Absolution: LSB 151

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Kyrie: LSB 152ff

*Salutation: LSB 156

*Collect of the Day: (Printed)

Catechism Recitation

Catechism Review Question #39

Old Testament: Exodus 16:2-21

Pew Bible Page 112

Epistle: Galatians 4:21-31

Pew Bible Page 1814

*Lent Alleluia and Verse LSB 157

*Holy Gospel: John 6:1-15

Pew Bible Page 1655

*Nicene Creed: LSB 158

Hymn of the Day: LSB 743
“Jesus, Priceless Treasure” v 1-4

Sermon

Offertory Choir
“God Loved the World so That He Gave”

*Prayer of the Church

*Lords Prayer LSB 162

*Benediction LSB 166
This concludes the service for online viewing

*SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT
LSB 160ff

Distribution Hymns:
“Jesus, Priceless...” v 5-6 LSB 743
“Soul, Adorn Yourself with...” LSB 636

*Nunc Dimittis: LSB 165

*Post-Communion Collect: LSB 166

*Benediction: LSB 166

Closing Hymn: LSB 422
“On My Heart Imprint Your Image”

As Prayer Warriors with Love, Inc.: For women- a woman please pray that school goes well, and that she will graduate! Also, please pray that her son gets better soon. a woman please pray for strength as she strongly encourages her sons to find jobs. a woman please pray that she will get closer to God as she leads her life. a woman please pray that her upcoming surgery will go well for her and the doctors. a woman please pray for her health issues, and that she will find a job where the health issues will not be a problem. For men- a man please pray for his health issues. Also, please pray that he will find a job soon. a man please pray that he will have the strength and ability to take care of his family.

LAETARE (REJOICE)
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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