Lent Theme: 2024-Honest Repentance: February 18-March 17th HONEST REPENTANCE (Midweek Lent Series)

Repentance starts with being honest before God and ourselves about who we are. When it comes to sin, everyone has a natural impulse to hide, but repentance means finding the courage to be honest. It also means having faith in the promise of forgiveness. But being honest about faith means recognizing that faith is contested on many sides not only by society, but by our own experiences, and sometimes even by the actions of God himself. Finally, repentance means becoming more human, not less. Because our thoughts, desires, and actions are so linked with sin, it is easy to view repentance as fighting against our humanity as if holiness meant trying to stifle as many of our natural human impulses as possible. But honest repentance recognizes that sin is the thing that stifles our humanity, while repentance results in our natural impulses functioning more as God designed them.

Midweek Lent Worship: Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

February 14th: Ash Wednesday "Sin" Genesis 1

February 21st: "Chaos" Genesis 7 and 8

February 28th: "Faith" Genesis 22 March 6tH: "Repentance" Jonah 3 March 13th: "Purification" Daniel 3 March 20th: "Salvation" Exodus 14

Holv Week

March 28th: Maundy Thursday 6:30 p.m. March 29th: Good Friday 1:30 and 6:30 p.m.

March 31st: Easter Worship: 6:00, 8:00, and 10:30 a.m.





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Thank you to all who helped with the service today, your help is always appreciated!

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH Celebrating 62 years in God's Love and Service (1962-2024) Church Season: Epiphany

We are happy you have joined us for worship.

2024 Theme: Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice. Philippians 4:4

"The mission of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is to teach and reach others through God's Word and Love."

The vision of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is to flourish as a Christ-centered community that gives glory to God by using His Word and love to:

- ♦ invite and welcome others into membership;
- ♦ support and grow the ministry to all;
- and, provide opportunities for spiritual growth and involvement.

If You Are New to Good Shepherd

New Membership Classes: Our New Membership Classes are offered a couple times a year. If you are interested, please call the church office at 734-9643.

- Assisted Listening Devices: These can be used with or without hearing aids. Please ask an
 elder.
- Large-print Bulletins are available in the back of the sanctuary or ask an elder and they will assist
 you in getting what you need.
- Restrooms are located to the north of the sanctuary, before the gym on the right side at the end of the hallway.
- Visitor cards (bright yellow) have been placed in the racks in the back of the pews. If you are a visitor to Good Shepherd, please fill out a card and drop it in the offering plate. If you are a visitor and plan to partake in communion, please fill out the back of the card as well.
- **Fellowship Books are blue** and found in the hymnal rack, near the aisle. Please list each person on a separate line so we have an accurate count of who takes communion.
- **Nursery** is available during services. It is located next to the sanctuary.
- Children's coloring bulletins and Busy Bags are provided during worship services.

Communion at Good Shepherd

Continuous distribution: please rise and follow the person in the pew in front of you. Receive the wafer, receive the individual cup, pause to commune, place cup in the basket, return to pew.

At the rail: The usher will dismiss you. When approaching the altar area, stand closest to the center of the altar first, then wrap around the sides to fill in. Bow/kneel together. Exit with the person at the center leaving first.

Mobility issues: Please contact an Elder or Pastor if you need communion brought to you.

Our Church Bulletin, Newsletter & Calendar are on our website at www.goodsheplutheran.net. Our Services are available on our YouTube Channel at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpvj7OsWTNOyNHngUGr1SOw

The Lutheran Hour is aired on KAWZ 88.7 at 9 a.m. or WRVM 101.5 FM or Sirius XM 131 at 10 a.m.

Benedicamus

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- 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 peace.
- C Amen.

Hymn "Alleluia, Song of Gladness"

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Litany on Alleluia

- P "Alleluia," said the prophets of old;
- Christ is coming; prepare His way.
- P "Alleluia," said angels and shepherds;
- Christ is born; the Word made flesh is come to earth.
- P "Alleluia," said the Magi from the East;
- Christ is King; bow down in worship and bring offerings to Him.
- P "Alleluia," said the Baptizer John;
- Christ is here; the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
- P "Alleluia," said the servants and disciples;
- Christ is Lord; revealed clearly in water changed to wine.
- P "Alleluia," said the people;
- Christ is Messiah; fulfilled of God's promise and the prophets' word.
- P "Alleluia," said the fishermen;
- Christ is Master; follow Him and fish for men.
- "Alleluia," said the sick and suffering;
- Christ is healer; trust Him for healing and hope in Him for life brand new.
- "Alleluia," said the students;
- Christ is teacher; listen to His word and wisdom.
- P "Alleluia," said Moses and Elijah;
- Christ is God; the Light of Light has come to shine on us the love from on high.
- "Alleluia," said the apostles, standing on the mountain high;
- Christ is shining; in this glory let us stay.
- "Alleluia," said the Savior, "Christ means suffering";
- Open the mount the Lord must go and meet the death that awaits Him in the valley below.
- P "Alleluia," bids the Savior, "follow Me and be not afraid";
- Christ reveals greater glory hidden in the cross and grave; there we find salvation's story and there we find the hope which saves.

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Thursday Feb 8, 6:30 p.m.; Sunday Feb 11, 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

As We Gather

Within the pandemonium of the transfiguration, the voice speaks: "This is My beloved Son; listen to Him" (Mark 9:7). Moses is there and gone. Elijah is there and gone. The disciples are with Him on the mount and then head down into the valley. But the glory of the Lord will not depart. It will remain: lifted high upon the cross, revealed in the empty tomb, and placed upon the followers of Jesus. It is the Word that endures forever, the Word made flesh, and the Word who speaks through the voice of Scripture. The call remains: "Listen to Him."

Prelude (Sunday) "The Lord's My Shepherd"

Sharon Peterson - Bassoon

Hymn "'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here"

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Invocation

- m f P In the name of the Father and of the m f H Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Psalm 99.4. 9

- P The King in His might loves justice.
- You have established equity; You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.
- **P** Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at His holy mountain;
- for the LORD our God is holy!

Silence for reflection.

- 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 in thought, word, and deed. We flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- O most merciful God, who has 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.

P Almighty God has had mercy upon you and has given His only Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I, a called and ordained servant of the Word, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the → Son and of the Holy Spirit. He who began this good work within you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

+ WORD +

Salutation

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray.

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 34:29-35

²⁹When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. ³⁰Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them. ³²Afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he commanded them all that the LORD had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. ³³And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face.

³⁴Whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would remove the veil, until he came out. And when he came out and told the people of Israel what he was commanded, ³⁵the people of Israel would see the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face was shining. And Moses would put the veil over his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

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Preface

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

The Words of Our Lord

Proclamation of Christ

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

(on screens of back cover of hymnal)

Pax Domini

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- And also with you.

Our Communion Practices

If these are your beliefs:

- I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from all sin, Satan and death.
- I believe that Christ is really present in the sacrament and that with the bread and wine I receive His true Body and Blood.
- I resolve to dedicate my life to my Lord and Savior in His Body, the Church, by regular worship and devoted
- Christian service and living.....

please join us as we celebrate Holy Communion.

Distribution Hymns

Setting on "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness" "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

(Sunday)

Sharon Peterson - Bassoon LSB 636

"Jesus on the Mountain Peak"

LSB 415

(on screens of back cover of Hymnal)

Hymn "O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair"

LSB 413

Sermon: "Transformed"

Text: 2nd Corinthians 3:12-4:1-6

Offering

Offertory "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" LSB 821 v.5













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Prayer of the Church

P Lord, in Your mercy,

• hear our prayer.

Epistle

2 Corinthians 3:12-18; 4:1-6

¹²Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, ¹³not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end. ¹⁴But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away. ¹⁵Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. ¹⁶But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

¹Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. ²But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. ³And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only to those who are perishing. ⁴In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Verse Psalm 45:2a

Alleluia. You are the most handsome of the sons of men; grace is poured upon your lips. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel Mark 9:2-9

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

G Glory to You, O Lord.

²After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. ⁵And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁶For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." ⁸And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.

⁹And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.