

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

March 20th: "Salvation" Exodus 14

Holy 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.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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"Cared for by Christ, we care for all others"

Timothy Seabaugh—Senior Pastor Jacob Erdman—Director of Parish Music Tanya Johnson—Director of Church Ministries
Sunday Worship 8 and 10:30 a.m. **Thursday Worship** 6:30 p.m. **Thanks and Praise Service** Third and Fifth Sunday

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

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/UCpvi7OsWTNOyNHngUGr1SOw>

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.



Preacher: Rev. Timothy Seabaugh
Director of Parish Music: DPM Jacob Erdman
Director of Church Ministries: DCM Tanya Johnson

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

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

Benediction

Closing Song “His Mercy Is More”

Verse 1

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Chorus

Praise the Lord His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness new every morn
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Verse 2

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor
Our sins they are many His mercy is more (Chorus)

Verse 3

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many His mercy is more (Chorus)

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Fifth Sunday in Lent
Thursday Mar 14, 6:30 p.m.; Sunday Mar 17, 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

As We Gather

Today’s Epistle speaks of Jesus, our High Priest. High priests are called to offer sacrifices for the sins of the people as well as themselves. Jesus is a different sort of high priest who offers Himself as sacrifice, once for all, that we might be forgiven and granted eternal salvation. In the Gospel, Jesus proclaims that He came not to be served, but to serve. He came to offer His life as a ransom for us. As we follow Jesus, we are called to reflect His actions and attitude of service and sacrifice. May we likewise go to serve and sacrifice for others.

Opening Song “Lord I Need You”

Verse 1

Lord I come I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Chorus

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Verse 2

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me
Where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me (Chorus)

Bridge

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay (Final Chorus)

Final Chorus

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

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Invocation

- P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Opening Sentences

- P What a priest we have in Jesus!
- C He is our source of eternal salvation.
- P He sympathizes with us in our weakness.
- C He offers prayers and supplications for us.
- P He serves us and sacrifices Himself for us.
- C What a priest we have in Jesus!

Confession and Absolution

- P Though Jesus is our great High Priest, we have lived as if we did not need Him, as though our sin was not dire and deadly. Despite our self-centered failures, our heavenly Father is merciful, and because of Jesus, He invites us to draw near to His throne in confidence to ask for forgiveness.

Silence for reflection.

- P Heavenly Father,
- C we have sinned against our neighbors and against You. We have sought to be served. We have demanded others sacrifice for us. Forgive us, renew us, and humble us, for the sake of Jesus. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy sent Jesus into our world to be our great High Priest, who came to serve and offer His life as a ransom for us. Christ died and is risen for you. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen. We are forgiven. Christ has sacrificed His life for us.

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Salutation

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

Verse 2

For what You have done, Your life of love
You perfectly lived, we praise You.
Though tempted and tried, You fixed Your eyes;
You finished the work God gave You.

And there on the tree, A King among thieves,
You bled for a world’s betrayal.
You loved to the end, our merciful friend;
How pure and forever faithful. (Chorus)

Verse 3

For hearts that are cold, for seizing control;
For scorning our very Maker.
In thought, word and deed, we’ve failed You, our King;
How deeply we need a Savior. (Chorus)

“The Lamb”

Verse 1

The Lamb the Lamb
O Father where’s the sacrifice
Faith sees believes
God will provide the Lamb of price

Chorus

Worthy is the Lamb
Whose death makes me His own
The Lamb is reigning on His throne

Verse 2

The Lamb the Lamb
One perfect final offering
The Lamb the Lamb
Let earth join heav’n His praise to sing (Chorus)

Verse 3

The Lamb the Lamb
As wayward sheep their shepherd kill
So still His will
On our behalf the law to fill (Chorus)

Verse 4

He sighs He dies
He takes my sin and wretchedness
He lives forgives
He gives me His own righteousness
(Chorus)

Verse 5

He rose He rose
My heart with thanks now overflows
His song prolong
Till ev’ry heart to Him belong
(Chorus)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

☞ Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, 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. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☞ Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

Lord’s Prayer on screens or back cover of hymnal

Pax Domini

☞ The peace of the Lord be with you always.

☞ And also with you.

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“Lord Have Mercy”

Verse 1

For what we have done and left undone
We fall on Your countless mercies.
For sins that are known, and those unknown,
We call on Your name so holy.

For envy and pride, For closing our eyes;
For scorning our very neighbor.
In thought, word and deed, we’ve failed You, our King;
How deeply we need a Savior.

Chorus

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy on us.
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy on us.

Prayer of the Day

☞ Let us pray.
Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☞ Amen.

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, ³²not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

☞ This is the Word of the Lord.

☞ Thanks be to God.

Epistle Hebrews 5:1-10

¹Every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. ³Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. ⁴And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;

⁶as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
after the order of Melchizedek.”

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

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Verse

Mark 10:45

- [P] Even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,
 [C] and to give His life as a ransom for many.

Holy Gospel

Mark 10:32-45

- [P] The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.
 [C] Glory to You, O Lord.

³²And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, ³³saying, “See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. ³⁴And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise.”

³⁵And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶And he said to them, “What do you want me to do for you?” ³⁷And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” ³⁹And they said to him, “We are able.” And Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” ⁴¹And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴²And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

- [P] This is the Gospel of the Lord.
 [C] Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles’ Creed

(on screens or back cover of hymnal)

Sermon Song “Cornerstone”

Verse 1

My hope is built on nothing less
 Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
 I dare not trust the sweetest frame
 But wholly trust in Jesus' Name

Chorus

Christ alone cornerstone
 Weak made strong in the Savior's love
 Through the storm He is Lord
 Lord of all

Verse 2

When darkness seems to hide His face
 I rest on His unchanging grace
 In every high and stormy gale
 My anchor holds within the veil
 My anchor holds within the veil **(Chorus)**

Verse 3

When He shall come with trumpet sound
 Oh may I then in Him be found
 Dressed in His righteousness alone
 Faultless stand before the throne **(Chorus)**

Sermon: “Greatness”

Text: Mark 10:32-45

Offering

Reception of Members

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

Prayer of the Church

- [P] For what a priest we have in Jesus,
 [C] who became our sacrifice.

Preface

- [P] The Lord be with you.
 [C] And also with you.

- [P] Lift up your hearts.
 [C] We lift them to the Lord.

- [P] Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 [C] It is right to give Him thanks and praise.