

Grace Lutheran Church of Wayne, Nebraska March 2, 2022 9:00 a.m. & 6:15 p.m.

On this day the Church begins a holy season of prayerful and penitential reflection. Our attention is especially directed to the holy sufferings and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. From ancient times the season of Lent has been kept as a time of special devotion, self-denial, and humble repentance born of a faithful heart that dwells confidently on His Word and draws from it life and hope. Let us pray that our dear Father in heaven, for the sake of His beloved Son and in the power of His Holy Spirit, might richly bless this Lententide for us so that we may come to Easter with glad hearts and keep the feast in sincerity and truth.

Due to the penitential nature of this day, there will be no pre-service music.

OPTIONAL IMPOSITION OF ASHES - Persons desiring the imposition of ashes are invited to approach the altar area prior to the service.

RINGING OF THE BELL

J"O Lord, throughout These Forty Days"

LSB 418

- O Lord, throughout these forty days You prayed and kept the fast; Inspire repentance for our sin, And free us from our past.
- You strove with Satan, and You won; Your faithfulness endured; Lend us Your nerve, Your skill and trust In God's eternal Word.
- Though parched and hungry, yet You prayed And fixed Your mind above; So teach us to deny ourselves, Since we have known God's love.
- 4 Be with us through this season, Lord, And all our earthly days, That when the final Easter dawns, We join in heaven's praise.

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- \blacksquare In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.
- All are from the dust, and to dust all return.

 Eccl. 3:20
- P What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.
- All are from the dust, and to dust all return.

 James 4:14
- My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and they come to an end without hope.

 All are from the dust, and to dust all return.

 Job 7:6
- You have made my days a mere handbreadth, the span of my years is nothing before you. Each man's life is but a breath.

 Ps. 39:5
- All are from the dust, and to dust all return.
- Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, because you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent, create in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily repenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self examination

- P Holy and gracious God,
- I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deed of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.
- Receive the forgiveness Christ won for you by his Passion, death and resurrection. By the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I, a called and ordained servant of the Word, forgive you your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Joel 2:12-19

P The Old Testament Reading is from Joel, the second chapter.

¹²"Yet even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; ¹³and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster. ¹⁴Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD your God? ¹⁵Blow the trumpet in Zion; consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly; ¹⁶gather the people. Consecrate the congregation; assemble the

elders; gather the children, even nursing infants. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her chamber. ¹⁷Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep and say, "Spare your people, O LORD, and make not your heritage a reproach, a byword among the nations. Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'" ¹⁸Then the LORD became jealous for his land and had pity on his people. ¹⁹The LORD answered and said to his people, "Behold, I am sending to you grain, wine, and oil, and you will be satisfied; and I will no more make you a reproach among the nations.

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

HANDBELL ANTHEM: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" 6:15 p.m. Stand

THE PASSION ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE

Luke 22:1-22:13

- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the twenty-second chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called the Passover. ²And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to put him to death, for they feared the people. ³Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was of the number of the twelve. ⁴He went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers how he might betray him to them. ⁵And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. ⁵So he consented and sought an opportunity to betray him to them in the absence of a crowd. ⁵Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ⁵So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it." ¹They said to him, "Where will you have us prepare it?" ¹OHe said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters ¹¹ and tell the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' ¹²And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there." ¹³And they went and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

JSERMON HYMN: "Rise To Arms"

LSB 668

1 Rise! To arms! With prayer employ you, O Christians, lest the foe destroy you; For Satan has designed your fall.

Wield God's Word, the weapon glorious; Against all foes be thus victorious, For God protects you from them all.

Fear not the hordes of hell, Here is Emmanuel. Hail the Savior! The strong foes yield To Christ, our shield, And we, the victors, hold the field.

2 Cast afar this world's vain pleasure And boldly strive for heav'nly treasure. Be steadfast in the Savior's might.

Trust the Lord, who stands beside you, For Jesus from all harm will hide you. By faith you conquer in the fight.

Take courage, weary soul! Look forward to the goal! Joy awaits you.

The race well run, Your long war won,

Your crown shines splendid as the sun.

3 Wisely fight, for time is fleeting; The hours of grace are fast retreating; Short, short is this our earthly way.

When the Lord the dead will waken And sinners all by fear are shaken, The saints with joy will greet that day.

Praise God, our triumph's sure. We need not long endure Scorn and trial.

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have mercy.

have mercy.

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have mercy.

have mercy.

hear us.

Our Savior King His own will bring

To that great glory which we sing.

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SERMON: "Teach us To Pray" *Stand*

Stand
LITANY FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

P O Lord,

P O Christ,

P O Lord,

P O Christ,

P God the Father in heaven,

P God the Son, Redeemer of the world, C

P God the Holy Spirit,

P Be gracious to us.

Spare us, good Lord.

P Be gracious to us.

■ Help us, good Lord.

P By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity; by Your baptism, fasting, and temptation; by Your agony and bloody sweat; by Your cross and passion; by Your precious death and burial; by Your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:

■ Help us, good Lord.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of judgment:

Help us, good Lord.

P We poor sinners implore You

c to hear us, O Lord.

Pastor Buchhorn

- To prosper the teaching of Your Word; to bless our prayer and meditation; to strengthen and preserve us in the true faith; and to give heart to our sorrow and strength to our repentance:
- We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
- P To draw all to Yourself; to bless those who are instructed in the faith; to watch over and console the poor, the sick, the distressed, the lonely, the forsaken, the abandoned, and all who stand in need of our prayer; to give abundant blessing to all works of mercy; and to have mercy on us all:
- We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
- P To turn our hearts to You; to turn the hearts of our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers; and graciously to hear our prayers:
- We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
- P Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
- we implore You to hear us.
- P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- C have mercy.
- P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- C have mercy.
- P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- grant us Your peace.
- P O Christ,
- P O Lord,
- P O Christ,
- P O Lord,

- C hear us.
- C have mercy.
- C have mercy.
- C have mercy. Amen.
- P O God, You desire not the death of sinners, but rather that they turn from their wickedness and live. We implore You to have compassion on the frailty of our mortal nature, for we acknowledge that we are dust and to dust we shall return. Mercifully pardon our sins that we may obtain the promises You have laid up for those who are repentant; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

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.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed

to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. 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.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

JAGNUS DEI HYMN: "Lamb of God, Pure and Holy"

LSB 434 v. 1

1 Lamb of God, pure and holy, Who on the cross didst suffer, Ever patient and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer. All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o'er us: Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

☐"Today Your Mercy Calls Us"

LSB 915

- Today Your mercy calls us To wash away our sin. However great our trespass, Whatever we have been, However long from mercy Our hearts have turned away, Your precious blood can wash us And make us clean today.
- 2 Today Your gate is open, And all who enter in Shall find a Father's welcome And pardon for their sin. The past shall be forgotten, A present joy be giv'n, A future grace be promised, A glorious crown in heav'n.

- 3 Today our Father calls us; His Holy Spirit waits; His blessèd angels gather Around the heav'nly gates. No question will be asked us How often we have come; Although we oft have wandered, It is our Father's home.
- 4 O all-embracing Mercy, O ever-open Door, What should we do without You When heart and eye run o'er? When all things seem against us, To drive us to despair, We know one gate is open, One ear will hear our prayer.

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LSB 563

- 1 Jesus, Thy blood and righteousness My beauty are, my glorious dress; Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
- 2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and redeemed, no debt to pay; Fully absolved through these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
- 3 Lord, I believe Thy precious blood, Which at the mercy seat of God Pleads for the captives' liberty, Was also shed in love for me.
- 4 Lord, I believe, were sinners more Than sands upon the ocean shore, Thou hast for all a ransom paid. For all a full atonement made.
- 5 When from the dust of death I rise To claim my mansion in the skies, This then shall be my only plea: Jesus hath lived and died for me.
- 6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee, Whose boundless mercy hath for me, For me, and all Thy hands have made, An everlasting ransom paid.

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Stand

□POST COMMUNION CANTICLE: "O Lord. We Praise Thee"

LSB 617 v. 1

O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee, In thanksgiving bow before Thee. Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish Our weak souls that they may flourish: O Lord, have mercy! May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary,

That our sins and sorrows did carry,

And Thy blood for us plead

In all trial, fear, and need: O Lord, have mercy!

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- Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.
- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.
- 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.
- **G** Amen.

JEVENING HYMN: "Abide with Me"

LSB 878 v. 1, 4-6

- 1 Abide with me, fast falls the eventide.
 The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
 When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
 Help of the helpless, O abide with me.
- 4 Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away; Change and decay in all around I see; O Thou who changest not, abide with me.
- 5 I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless; Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still if Thou abide with me!
- 6 Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes; Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies. Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

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