

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

(Lutheran Church Missouri Synod)

Divine Service Four

The Second Sunday in Lent

March 13, 2022



"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem,

the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it!
How often would I have gathered your children together
as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not!"

Luke 13: 34

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8:00 and 10:30 AM

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9770 Foothills Canyon Blvd.

Highlands Ranch, CO 80129

Sunday Worship Services.....8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Bible Classes and Sunday School.....9:25 a.m.

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***Reaching lost souls with the Gospel:
Nourishing and equipping the saints for life and ministry!***

Prayer for the Second Sunday in Lent

Lord Jesus, we have sinned grievously against Your holy will as given in the commandments, but You have kept the Law in our stead. Give us a spirit of true repentance so that our hearts are filled with thanksgiving that our sins are forgiven for Your sake. Grant that especially during this sacred season the story of Your wondrous love for us draw us closer to You so that in gratitude for Your great love we may rejoice in our redemption, walk with You in willing obedience, and follow Your example of love and sacrifice. May our journey to the cross this Lenten season be a time of deepened faith and renewed commitment to You and God's Word. Hear our prayer, Lord Jesus! Amen.



Confession and Absolution

586 Preach You the Word

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

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

Exhortation

Psalm 124:8; Psalm 130:3–4; Luke 18:13

- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**
- P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Confession of Sins

- C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Absolution

[John 20:19–23]

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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 ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.



Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 74:1–3; antiphon: Psalm 69:9



For zeal for your house has con- | sumed me,*
and the reproaches of those
who reproach you have fall- | en on me.

O God, why do you cast us off for- | ever?*

**Why does your anger smoke
against the sheep of your | pasture?**

Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old,
which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your | heritage!*

Remember Mount Zion, where | you have dwelt.

Direct your steps to the perpetual | ruins;*

the enemy has destroyed everything in the sanctu- | ary!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

For zeal for your house has con- | sumed me,*
and the reproaches of those
who reproach you have fall- | en on me.

Kyrie

Mark 10:47



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Hymn of Praise

During Lent the Hymn of Praise is omitted.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 26:8–15

When Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, "You shall die! Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, 'This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant?'" And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD. Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, "This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears."

Stand

Holy Gospel: Luke 13:31–35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

G **Glory to You, O Lord.**

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." And he said to them, "Go and tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course. Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.' O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'"

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G **Praise to You, O Christ.**



Apostles' Creed

G **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

Sit

725 Children of the Heavenly Father

Sermon

“Under His Wings”

Text: Luke 13:31-35

697 Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death

Stand

Prayer of the Church

After each portion of the prayer:

P Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

Sit

Offering

Stand

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
C **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.**

Closing Collect

P Lord God, bless Your Word wherever it is proclaimed. Make it a word of power and peace to convert those not yet Your own and to confirm those who have come to saving faith. May Your Word pass from the ear to the heart, from the heart to the lip, and from the lip to the life that, as You have promised, Your Word may achieve the purpose for which You send it; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Benedicamus

Psalm 103:1

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction

P 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.**

728 How Firm a Foundation



Soli Deo Gloria!
(To God alone be the glory.)

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Announcements



Assisting Elders:

8 a.m. – Steve White

10:30 a.m. – Curt Oliver



Please join us this Wednesday, March 16, 2022 for Lenten Worship. At 6 p.m. we will have a Potluck Supper downstairs followed by a Midweek Lenten Worship Service. For the Potluck Supper we ask that you bring a main dish and a side or desert. Drinks will be provided.

We look forward to coming together as we prepare and reflect on our Lord's suffering and death and what it means for us.

Lent Devotions



In *Suffering Servant*, (Lutheran Hour Lent Devotions) we encounter Jesus the Man sent to redeem a lost world. Born in the flesh, Jesus became like us. Taking the form of a Servant, He emptied Himself. Bearing our sins to the cross, He gives us newness of life through His victory over death won for us by His resurrection from the dead.

Pick up your copy on the table by the family picture board or go to LHM.org to subscribe or find the podcasts.



Thank you for your prayers for Connie's brother Roger Frank (recovering from back surgery) and Dillon Hansen, Connie and Terry's grandson (recovering from an infection).

Terry and Connie Mitchell

***For his anger is but for a moment,
and his favor is for a lifetime.***

Psalm 30:5

LWML Greenback Sunday

All about LWML mites



Mite money is used to further God's kingdom through the mission projects selected by delegates at district and national conventions.



Mite Boxes TM are used to collect money for missions. 75% of the Mite offering is used for Rocky Mountain District mission projects and 25% is sent to national LWML for national mission projects.

Place your Mite Box TM wherever you can feed it: dressing table, office desk, laundry room, car, kitchen counter, etc. You "mite" want to give a Mite BoxTM to family members and friends.

Bring the contents in your Mite Box the second Sunday of every month and deposit it in the large Mite Box that will be on the table in the narthex.

A New Worship Service



For the past 15 years Holy Cross has sponsored a Bible Study at Wind Crest (a local retirement community). Beginning Sunday March 6, Holy Cross Lutheran Church will begin to offer a weekly Sunday worship service there in the Town Center music room at 4:00PM. Pastor Skelton will be officiating. If you know anyone who is a resident at Wind Crest please let them know about this new opportunity to attend a Lutheran worship service. Thank you for your support!

LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

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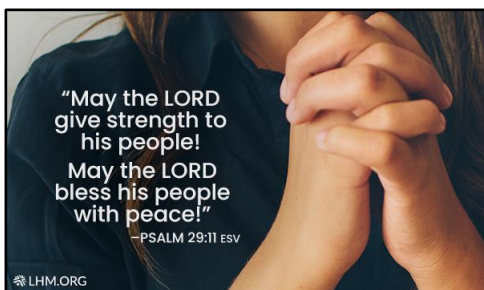
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As a global organization, Lutheran Hour Ministries is committed to sharing the Good News of the Gospel around the world with all who need to hear it. This message is especially critical during a situation like we are witnessing in Ukraine. We know that God serves as a refuge during uncertain times, and we continue working through our staff and volunteers throughout the region in countries like Kazakhstan, Latvia, and Russia, to help individuals find hope, comfort, and relief in the Gospel.

As the situation continues to unfold in Ukraine, we ask you to lift up in prayer the people living throughout eastern Europe.

Gracious and merciful God, we pray today for the people of Ukraine and ask for Your protection of those seeking a means of escaping the country during this troubling time. We pray for peace, hope, mercy, and healing throughout this region. We pray for Christians seeking comfort in Your Word, and those who have not yet heard the Gospel. We pray for our staff and volunteers in Kazakhstan, Latvia, and Russia who continue sharing Your messages of hope and love without interruption. We ask all these things in Your Name. Amen.





The Church Council and the Board of Trustees are happy to announce that we have reached a 3 year lease agreement with the Arma Dei Academy and they will be occupying our lower lever beginning May of this year. A special "Thank you" goes to Randy Shelton, Brandon Ceqlian, and Chris Heger for their hard work and long hours in making this happen. Once again, happy young voices and Christian education will be filling our preschool area!

10 REASONS

to bring your child to Sunday School

Have you considered the benefits of Sunday school attendance for your child? Here are 10 reasons to make it a priority in your family.

- 1. Age Targeted Teaching:** Where else can your kids get Biblical instruction that's focused toward their developmental abilities?
- 2. Friends:** In Sunday school, your child will build positive friendships with their peers by discovering God's Word together.
- 3. It's Fun:** Sunday school is not Disney Land, but our teachers do work hard to teach the Bible in ways that are relevant and fun for kids.
- 4. It Helps Kids Want to Come to Church:** There is nothing wrong with having a program that appeals to the interests of children, especially when it brings more children to hear the Gospel.
- 5. Spiritual Mentors:** A dedicated teacher can be a Christian role model who supports you and helps inspire the faith of your child.
- 6. Systematic Bible Learning:** Our curriculum is designed to give a broad foundation, so children will understand how all the parts of Scripture point to Christ.
- 7. Praying Teachers:** Our teachers consistently pray for your child's faith to grow. Coming to Sunday school gives another occasion for God to answer those requests.
- 8. Big Reward for a Small Investment:** If you're already coming to church, have your kids attend Sunday school. That one change will equal over 800 hours of additional Christian teaching before your child graduates.
- 9. It Can Help Counterbalance Worldly Influences:** Everyone knows the harmful influences present in our society. Kids need positive influences to tip the scale.
- 10. It's Their Best Opportunity to Believe in Christ:** Research shows kids tend to be more receptive to the Gospel than any other age group.



The Lutheran Chorale presents:

St. John Passion

by Bob Chilcott



Sunday
March 13, 2022

2:30pm

**Concordia
Lutheran Church**
13371 W. Alameda Pkwy.
Lakewood, CO

Sunday
March 13, 2022

6:30pm

**Mount Olive
Lutheran Church**
11435 E. Wesley Ave.
Aurora, CO

No tickets required —
but we appreciate
and ask for your generous
support of free will offerings.



The Lutheran Chorale is supported by our members and donors and the SCFD.

Visit www.thelutheranchorage.org for more information.

Petitions and Prayers: Nothing will be denied us in prayer if our desire is to do the will of our heavenly Father.



Health concerns:

Lord Jesus, great is Your love and great is Your mercy. Grant those who are sick hearts that trust in Your promise never to leave them nor forsake them. Whether or not removing their suffering and restoring their health is Your will for their lives now, keep them in Your grace and strengthen their faith. Amen.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

- Angela (single mother in Illinois) friend of Helen Tabris who is waiting to get on the heart transplant list.
- Jamie and young daughter Jade (Jamie is missing and has mental health issues)
- Sonja Bowles – Cancer
- Julie Ann Zamora – on-going health issues
- Gary Fuller – former Orphan Grain Train Coordinator – has liver cancer

Prayer of intercession:

A Prayer for the Second Sunday in Lent

O Lord Jesus, grant that especially during this Lenten season the story of Your wondrous love for us draw us closer to You so that in gratitude for such great love, we rejoice in our redemption, walk with You in willing obedience, and follow Your example of love, kindness, patience, servanthood, and sacrifice. Amen.

“Life Quotes” from Lutherans for Life March 13, 2022

“Paul kept his eyes on Christ who came and faced all the same heartaches, burdens, and sadness we do, and came through victorious. He shouldered our guilt and punishment on the cross and died that we might have life to the full.”

*Daily Devotion, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sister Lakes, Michigan
A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*



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***Let us hold fast the confession of our hope
without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.***

Hebrews 10:34

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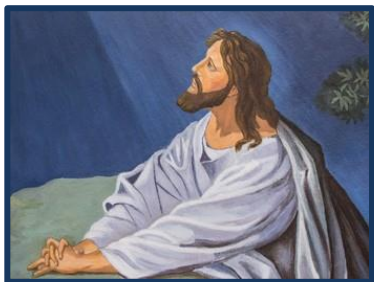
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**Pray hardest
when it is
hardest to pray.**