

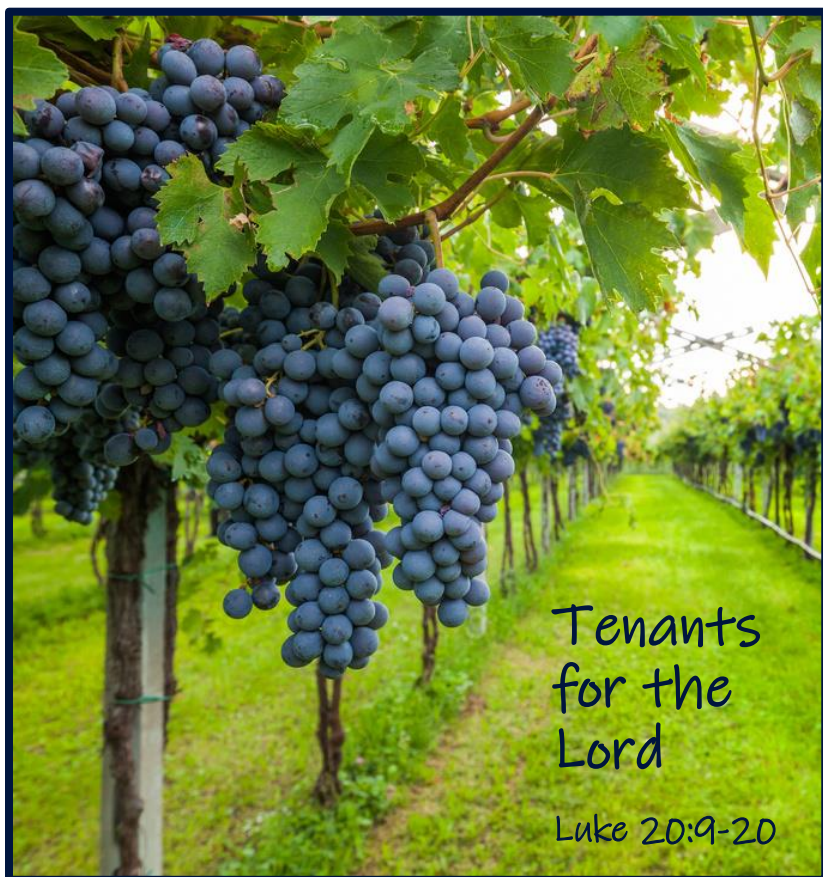
# **Holy Cross Lutheran Church**

**(Lutheran Church Missouri Synod)**

## **Divine Service Four**

**The Fifth Sunday in Lent**

**April 3, 2022**



Tenants  
for the  
Lord

Luke 20:9-20



## The Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 3, 2022

8:00 and 10:30 AM

### Prayer for the Fifth Sunday in Lent

Lord Jesus Christ, bring us closer to Your cross as we approach the end of this Lenten season so that we might know how much You loved us and gave Yourself for us. Enlighten us so that we may see by faith that You, the Holy One, were judged a criminal by unholy men for us: You suffered the whiplashes of angry men as our sinless Savior, You stumbled under the cross as our Suffering Servant, and You died as the Lamb of God in our stead and for our sake. Help us to hear in Your prayer on the cross the single purpose for which You endured pain, suffering, and death; "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." Amen.



**The Lord's Supper** is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm (1 Cor. 11:17-34), and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked to speak with the Pastor prior to communing with us for the first time. We thank you for respecting our belief and practice regarding the Lord's Supper.



## Confession and Absolution

### 423 Jesus, Refuge of the Weary

*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, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, 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 3:3–6; antiphon: v. 8*



Salvation belongs | to the LORD;\*  
your blessing be on your | people!

**But you, O LORD, are a shield a- | bout me,\*  
my glory, and the lifter | of my head.**

I cried aloud | to the LORD,\*  
and he answered me from his | holy hill.

**I lay | down and slept;\*  
I woke again, for the LORD sus- | tained me.**

I will not be afraid of many thousands of | people\*  
who have set themselves against me | all around.

**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.**

Salvation belongs | to the LORD;\*  
your blessing be on your | people!

## 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.

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.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 43:16–21

Thus says the LORD,  
who makes a way in the sea,  
a path in the mighty waters,  
who brings forth chariot and horse,  
army and warrior;  
they lie down, they cannot rise,  
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:  
"Remember not the former things,  
nor consider the things of old.  
Behold, I am doing a new thing;  
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?  
I will make a way in the wilderness  
and rivers in the desert.  
The wild beasts will honor me,  
the jackals and the ostriches,

for I give water in the wilderness,  
rivers in the desert,  
to give drink to my chosen people,  
the people whom I formed for myself  
that they might declare my praise.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Hebrews 12:2*



[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,\*  
the founder and perfecter | of our faith,  
who for the joy that was set before him  
endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame,\*  
and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

## Epistle: Philippians 3:8–14

Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Holy Gospel: Luke 20:9–20

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

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

[Jesus] began to tell the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.' But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.' And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others." When they heard this, they said, "Surely not!" But he looked directly at them and said, "What then is this that is written:

'The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone'?

Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him."

The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people. So they watched him and sent spies, who pretended to be sincere, that they might catch him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the authority and jurisdiction of the governor.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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



## Nicene Creed

**☩ I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from  
heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the  
Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the  
living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped  
and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic  
Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**



## 547 The Lamb

### Sermon

**"Tenants for the Lord"**

Text: Luke 20:9-20

*Stand*

### Prayer of the Church

*After each portion of the prayer:*

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

*Sit*

### Offering



## Service of the Sacrament



*Please read our Statement on Holy Communion on the inside cover of the bulletin before communing with us.*



*Stand*

### Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]*

**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.

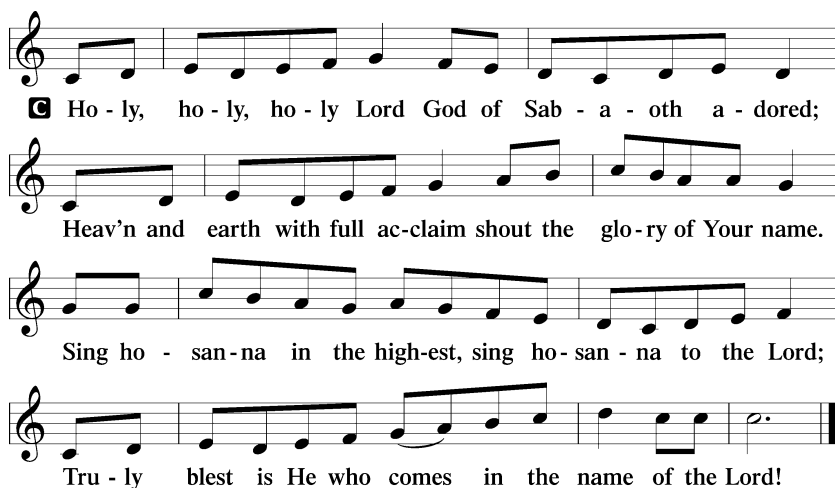
**C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father,

almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;  
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** Blessed are 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.

At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many.

As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9–13*

**G** 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

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24;  
Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

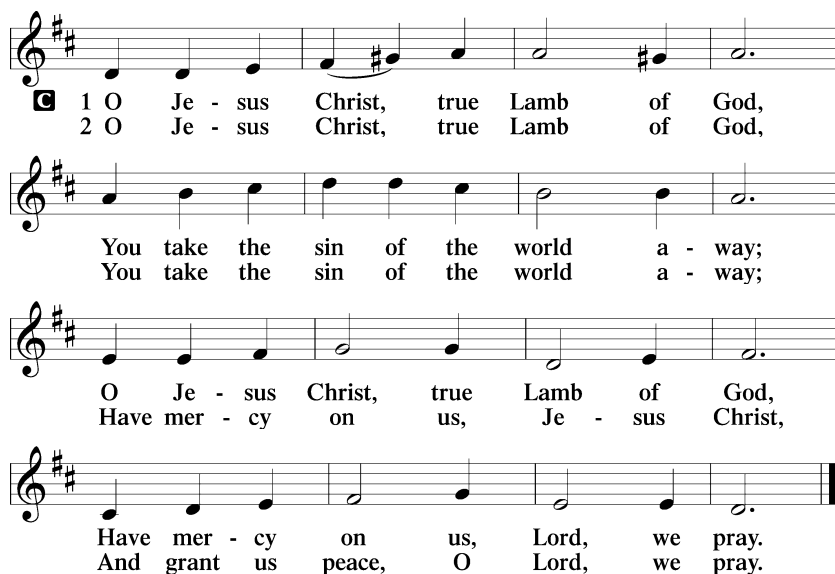
*John 20:19*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**G** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

John 1:29

 Musical notation for the Agnus Dei, featuring a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written on a five-line staff. Below the staff, the lyrics are provided in two parts: 1 and 2. The lyrics are: 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God, 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world a - way; You take the sin of the world a - way; O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ, Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray. And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

### **Personal prayer before Communing**

*Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen*



### **Distribution**

#### **Personal prayer of thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament**

*Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.*

## 420 Christ, the Life of All the Living

## 427 In the Cross of Christ I Glory

*Stand*

### Nunc Dimittis

*Luke 2:29-32*

**C** 1 O Lord, now let to Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;  
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in lead the be - gin - ning, Is  
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

### Post-Communion Collect

**P** 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 in 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.

## Benedicamus

*Psalm 103:1*

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

## Benediction

*Numbers 6:24-26*

- 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.

## 685 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus



***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, April 3, 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](http://LHM.org) to subscribe or find the podcasts.



### **Holy Week**

April 10	8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.	Palm Sunday Communion Worship Service
April 14	7 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Communion Worship Service
April 15	7 p.m.	Good Friday Tenebrae Worship Service
April 17	8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.	Easter – Resurrection of Our Lord Communion Worship Service - Brunch between service



# LWML WOMEN OF THE CROSS

**NOTICE...**

**MEETING DATE CHANGE...**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS...**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 23**

**(NOT 16TH)**



As one of our chosen Mission Projects for 2022 we wish to enlist the assistance of the congregation to help fulfill the needs of the Alternatives Pregnancy Center (Denver). Below is a list of requested items that they need. For your convenience, place your items in the container on the table near the office door.

Note from Alternatives: "Thanks so much for your interest and support in Alternatives. We so appreciate your generosity."

Their new Mom/Baby Program can use the following:

- 3 – 12 month Boys Onesies**
- 6 – 12 month Girls Onesies**
- 6 – 12 month Boys and Girls Sleepers**
- 3 – 12 month Boys Outfits**
- 6 – 12 month Girls Outfits**
- Pacifiers**
- Baby Hats (mostly boys)**
- Baby Washcloths**
- Baby Toiletries**
- Burp Cloths**
- Baby Socks/Hand Mittens**



**Gift Cards for Moms - \$25 Walmart/King Soopers/Target**



# HEART HEART - a Non-Profit

We have been working with this neighborhood group for a few years. Heart 2 Heart provides start-up goods for the homeless who are moving into their own housing. This includes Veterans, sheltered families and battered women, and young people transitioning from foster care. Other organizations find the housing and basic furniture, we provide the start-up needs.

The organization was founded by our neighbor, Linda Garrity, about 10 years ago. Caseworkers provide the names, ages, and needs of the families and a few of us “grandmas and grandpas” put together the orders for these families and load them into the cars for deliveries.

Donations come in from our neighbors and from those who have heard about Heart 2 Heart through word of mouth. Additionally, we scour thrift stores and purchase some new items, especially toys for the kids. One organization provides homemade quilts!

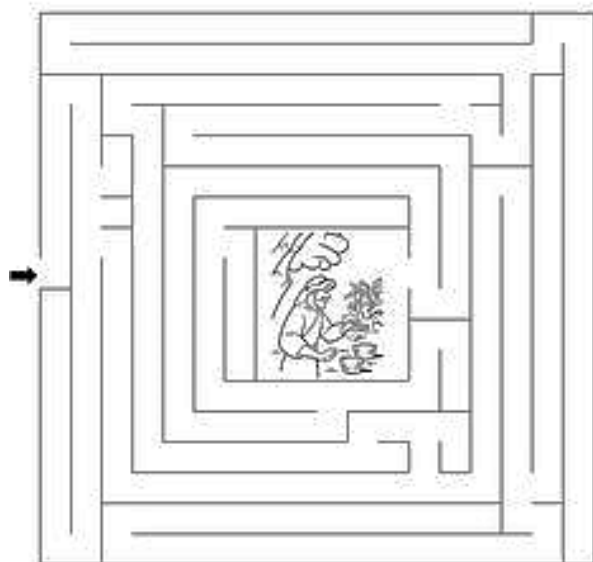
**Needed donations include lightly used bedding, towels, books, toys, kitchen items such as pots, pans, dishes, cups, mugs, glasses, silverware, coffeemakers (each Veteran gets one), plastic storage like Glad or Tupperware, baking dishes, spatulas, etc. We do not deal with food, furniture, or clothing. However, we do purchase outfits for newborns, as no baby should leave the hospital in hand-me-down clothing.**

If you have something that you no longer need, you can bring your items to church and we will drop them off at Linda's. If you have any questions, please call me, Becky White, at 303-506-8417. Thank you.

Steve and Becky White – 303-979-5978

# The Wicked Tenants

L V Z K T G Y J A W T G M X L V S  
K X A K I N D N E S S A T N E B J  
M V A F H T B H J T T Z C L M K Y  
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P O Y D A C W B P I T O Q U K J K



WICKED  
TENANTS  
MATTHEW  
HARVEST  
VINEYARD  
SERVANT  
KINDNESS  
DISOBEYED  
UNMERCIFUL  
PARABLES  
JESUS  
COMMANDS

**Petitions and Prayers:** With one heart, mind, and purpose, the early church continually prayed, making their petitions known to God.



### **Health concerns:**

*Dearest Jesus, You suffered and died on the cross in our place, You have compassion on us in all of our difficulties. Grant peace of mind and strength of body to those who are ill so that they trust in You above all else. 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 (is missing and has mental health issues) and young daughter Jade (is being adopted by family in Colorado)
- Sonja Bowles – Cancer
- Julie Ann Zamora – on-going health issues
- Gary Fuller – former Orphan Grain Train Coordinator – ongoing treatment for liver cancer
- Comfort for the friends and family of Marian Tarrant (sister of Laurel Burkett). Marian passed away on March 16.

### **Prayer of intercession:**

#### *A Prayer for the Fifth Sunday in Lent*

*O heavenly Father, as we reflect this Lenten season on Your Son's rejection, suffering, and death, strengthen our faith by Your means of grace so that we not lose hope when confronted by suffering and affliction in our lives. As we anticipate the arrival of Easter, grant that we look with glad confidence toward the resurrection of the body and life eternal, for Jesus' sake. Amen.*

### **“Life Quotes” from Lutherans for Life April 3, 2022**

“You and I are God’s workmanship as well. In and of ourselves we have nothing to offer God. But He gave us His Son, eternal life, forgiveness of sins, as well as the grace to serve Him. By God’s tender-mercies we are qualified to serve Him now and forevermore!”

*Daily Devotion, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sister Lakes, Michigan  
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***For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers,  
nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height  
nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to  
separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.***

***Romans 8:38-39***

## **Holy Cross Lutheran Church**

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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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**If prayer  
was your job,  
would you still be  
employed?**