

Second Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2024

Immanuel Lutheran Church

Fargo, North Dakota

Pre-Service Music - Welcome

Opening Hymn *“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”*

LSB 427

Invocation, Confession & Absolution

LSB 151

Introit

Psalm 115:11–13, 18; antiphon: Psalm 25:6



Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your | steadfast love,*
for they have been | from of old.

You who fear the LORD, trust | in the LORD!*

He is their help | and their shield.

The LORD has remembered us; he will | bless us;*

he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of | Aaron;

he will bless those who | fear the LORD,*

both the small | and the great.

We will | bless the LORD*

from this time forth and forevermore. | Praise the LORD!

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.

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your | steadfast love,*
for they have been | from of old.

Kyrie *(sung)*

LSB 152-153

Salutation and Collect

(LSB 156)

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.

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

R: The Old Testament reading for the Second Sunday in Lent is from Genesis, chapter seventeen.

When Abram was ninety-nine years old the Lord appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly.” Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, “Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. . . .

And God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Special Music

“Lift High the Cross,” (LSB 837), arr. by Leland B. Sateren

Epistle Reading

Romans 5:1-11

R: The Epistle is written in Romans, chapter five.

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

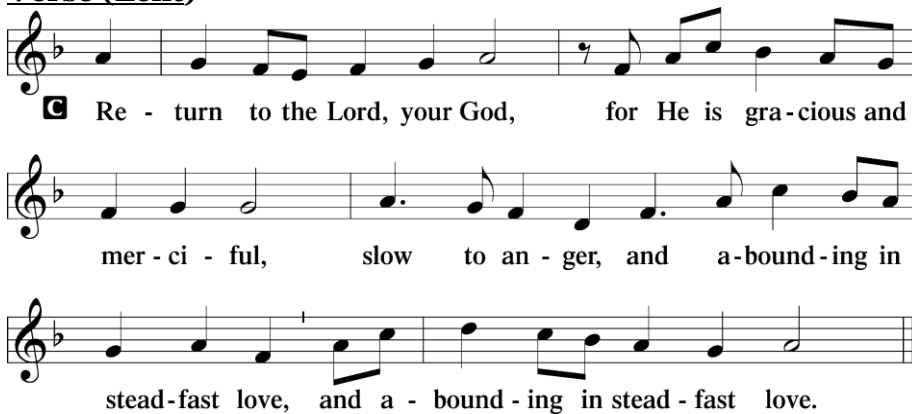
R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please rise)

Verse (Lent)

(LSB 157)



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

The Holy Gospel

Mark 8:27-38

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the eighth chapter.

C:  **Glory to You, O Lord.**

And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they told him, “John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.” And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.” And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it. For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C:  **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Children’s Message

Sermon Hymn

“Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”

LSB 708

vv 1 & 3 - Congregation; v 2 - choir

Sermon

“No Shame in Christ”

Mark 8:27-38

Creed (8) Apostles’ Creed; (11) Nicene Creed

(LSB inside back cover)

Prayer of the Church

Offering *(Please sign and pass the green Fellowship book found at the center end of each pew.)*

Special Music:

Service Without Holy Communion – 8 am

Hymn *“Christ, the Life of All the Living”* ***LSB 420***

The Lord’s Prayer, Collect, Benediction

Announcements

Closing Hymn

“Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise” ***LSB 917***

+ Service of the Sacrament – 11 am +

(Guests and visitors please refer to guideline “Preparation for Holy Communion”, printed on the inside of the bulletin cover.)

Communion Liturgy ***LSB 160ff***

Distribution Hymns

“Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared” ***LSB 622***

“Christ, the Life of All the Living” ***LSB 420***

“Beautiful Savior” ***LSB 537***

Post-Communion Collect, and Benediction ***LSB 166***

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Closing Hymn

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