

Welcome to Resurrection Lutheran

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Third Sunday in Lent

In Christ the Cornerstone...Living His Word, Sharing His Love



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AS WE GATHER -

The Church has what the world doesn't want: God's Law, which always accuses us sinners, and His Gospel, which allows for no boasting on our part. To this day, Jewish leaders teach that God will not demand what we cannot achieve. What a stumbling block, preaching a Messiah who becomes a sacrifice for our failings, both in our actions and our very nature. The polytheistic society of Paul's day and the secular one of ours both find the Law an encumbrance, preferring to judge by their own standards (or lack of them). What folly, our society believes, to preach a God who chooses people whom everyone knows to be weak. Today is a day for foolish preaching: Christ crucified, the power and wisdom of God.

OPENING HYMN: 981 To Your Temple, Lord, I Come



1 To Your tem - ple, Lord, I come, For it
2 I through Him am rec - on - ciled, I through
3 While Your glo - rious praise is sung, Touch my
4 While the prayers of saints as - cend, God of



is my wor - ship home. This earth has no
Him be - come Your child. Ab - ba, Fa - ther,
lips, un - loose my tongue That my joy - ful
love, to mine at - tend. Hear me, for Your



bet - ter place, Here I see my Sav - ior's face.
give me grace In Your courts Your love to trace.
soul may bless Christ the Lord, my righ - teous - ness.
Spir - it pleads; Hear, for Je - sus in - ter - cedes.

- 5 While I listen to Your Law,
Fill my soul with humble awe
Till Your Gospel bring to me
Life and immortality.
- 6 While Your ministers proclaim
Peace and pardon in Your name,
Through their voice, by faith, may I
Hear You speaking from the sky.
- 7 From Your house when I return,
May my heart within me burn,
And at evening let me say,
"I have walked with God today."

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Invocation

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

Exhortation

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- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution

- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Introit

- P** For zeal for your house has consumed me,
C and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.
- P** Deliver me from sinking in the mire;
C let me be delivered from my enemies and from the deep waters.
- P** Let not the flood sweep over me, or the deep swallow me up,
C or the pit close its mouth over me.
- P** Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast love is good;
C according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Spirit;
 as it was in the be-gin-ning,
 is now, and will be forever. Amen.

- P** For zeal for your house has consumed me,
C and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.

Kyrie

C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
 on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 20:1-17

The Ten Commandments

¹And God spoke all these words, saying,

²"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

³"You shall have no other gods before me.

⁴"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷"You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

⁸"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, ¹⁰but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

¹²"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³"You shall not murder.

¹⁴"You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵"You shall not steal.

¹⁶"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

¹⁷"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Christ the Wisdom and Power of God

¹⁸The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

²⁶For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. ³¹Therefore, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

John 2:13–22

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.

C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

Jesus Cleanses the Temple

¹³The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. ¹⁵And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶And he told those who sold the pigeons, “Take these things away; do not make my Father’s house a house of trade.” ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.”

¹⁸So the Jews said to him, “What sign do you show us for doing these things?” ¹⁹Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” ²⁰The Jews then said, “It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?” ²¹But he was speaking about the temple of his body. ²²When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

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.

Children's Sermon

Sermon Hymn: 427 In the Cross of Christ I Glory



1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -
3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing Light and
4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure By the

o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sa - cred
ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -
love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - diance
cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no

sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.
stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.
mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.

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Sermon

♩ Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Offering/Hymn: 425 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the
3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a

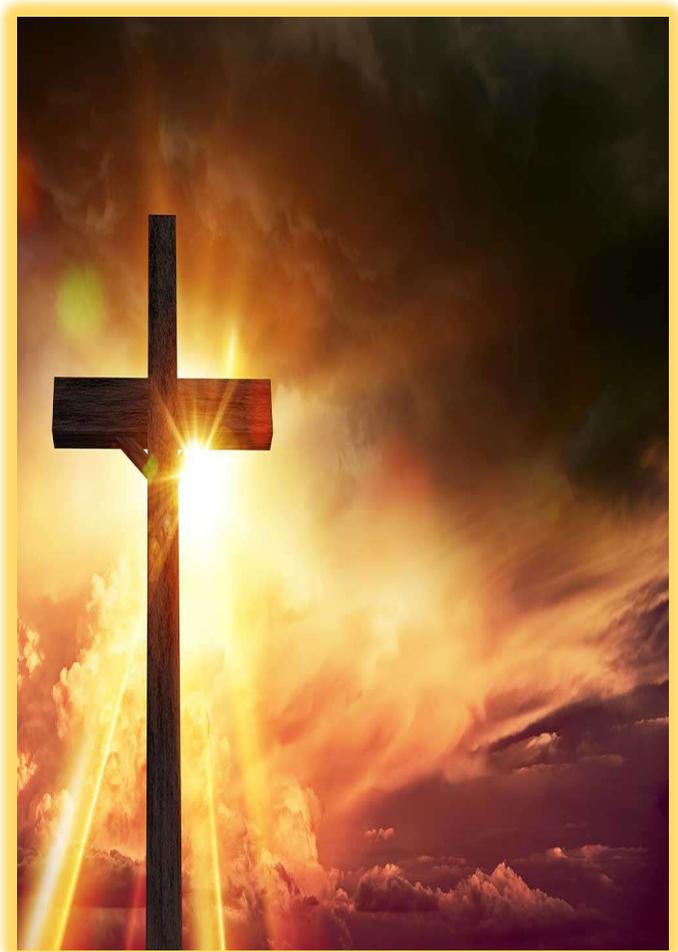


Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that
love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.
sor - row meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

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Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

O Lord, our jealous God, save the third and fourth generations that will come after us from Your punishment by filling us with Your Son's zeal for Your house in these Lenten days, that we may cast out every idol from our hearts and love only You and Your commandments. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O Lord, our God, You have brought us out of slavery to sin through Christ Jesus, whom You have made to be our wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption. Bless all those whom You send to preach Christ crucified to us, that we may ever know and live in the truth of Your power in His cross. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Heavenly Father, preserve and bless all Christian households, that husbands and wives would live in love and service to each other, that fathers and mothers would diligently bring up their children in Your fear, and that children would honor their parents and be well equipped for service to their neighbors in this life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O Lord of the perfect Law, You have called us to honor our parents and all other authorities, that it might go well with us in our land. Bless _____ and all those who watch over and govern us in Your stead. Make them wise in Your ways, that Your justice may be upheld among us, and help us to serve and obey them in accord with Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O God, whose steadfast love in Christ is good, turn in Your abundant mercy to _____ and all who suffer in our midst, that the flood may not sweep over them nor the pit close its mouth on them. Deliver them from sinking into the mire and deep waters, and grant them healing, comfort and peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O Lord, You bless this day and make it holy with Your Word and the gifts of Your altar. Grant us to come before You in humble repentance to eat Your Son's body and blood, that we may not boast in ourselves in Your presence but in Christ alone. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O Lord, our Rock and Redeemer, as three days after the temple of Your Son's body was destroyed by wicked men He raised it up again, grant that on the Last Day we and all the saints who now rest in Your presence may share in the glory of His resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

(Spoken here during non-communion service)

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.

+ Service of the Sacrament +

P The Lord be with you.

And with thy spir - it.

Musical notation for the first part of the preface, featuring a treble and bass staff in G major. The treble staff has a melody of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, G4, F4, E4. The bass staff has a accompaniment of chords: G3-B3, A3-C4, B3-D4, G3-B3, F3-A3, E3-G3.

P Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Musical notation for the second part of the preface, featuring a treble and bass staff in G major. The treble staff has a melody of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. The bass staff has a accompaniment of chords: G3-B3, A3-C4, B3-D4, G3-B3, F3-A3, E3-G3, D3-F3, C3-E3.

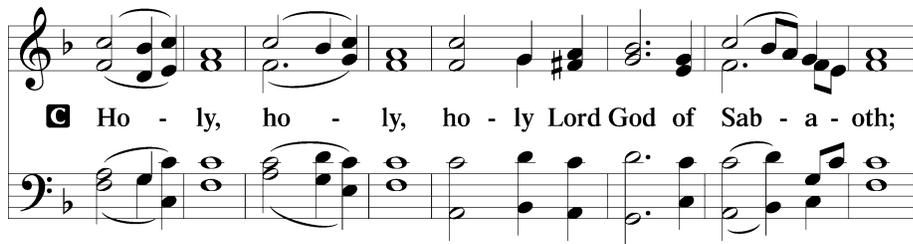
P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

It is meet and right so to do.

Musical notation for the third part of the preface, featuring a treble and bass staff in G major. The treble staff has a melody of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. The bass staff has a accompaniment of chords: G3-B3, A3-C4, B3-D4, G3-B3, F3-A3, E3-G3, D3-F3, C3-E3.

Proper Preface (Full)

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



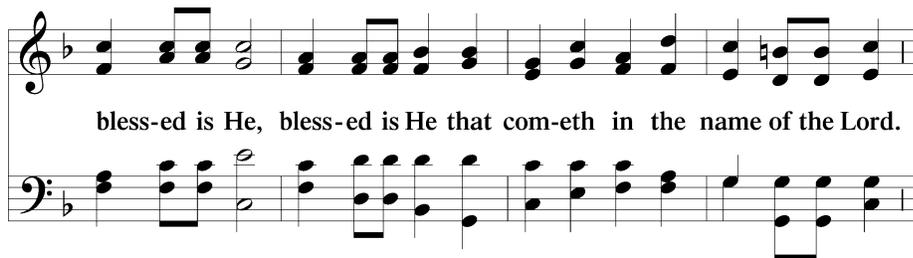
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

- 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.

Words of Our Lord

- 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 † 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 † 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

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

A musical score for the Pax Domini. It consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef and the accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "A - - - men." with a long dash under the letter 'A'.

Agnus Dei

LSB 198

A musical score for the Agnus Dei. It consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef and the accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - - - men." with a long dash under the letter 'A'.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 728 How Firm a Foundation



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
2 "Fear not! I am with you, O be not dis - mayed,
3 "The soul that on Je - sus has leaned for re - pose
4 "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way will lie,
5 "Through - out all their life - time My peo - ple will prove



Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I will not, I will not, de - sert to his foes;
My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, will be your sup - ply.
My sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;



What more can He say than to you He has said
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
That soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,
The flames will not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
And then, when gray hairs will their tem - ples a - dorn,



Who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er, for - sake!
Your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.
Like lambs they will still in My bos - om be borne."

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 576 My Hope is Built on Nothing Less



1 My hope is built on nothing less Than
2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I
3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup -
4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh,



Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my
rest on His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and
port me in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly
may I then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -



own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.
prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.
ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; All oth - er ground is



sink - ing sand, All oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

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Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -

cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men.

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

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 A - men.

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus/Benediction

P Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and $\cdot\ddagger\cdot$ give you peace.

C A - men, a - men, a - men.

850 God of Grace and God of Glory



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Your peo - ple
 2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ, as -
 3 Cure Your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils



pour Your pow'r; Crown Your an - cient Church's sto - ry;
 sail His ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 Your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; Let the gift of Your sal - va - tion



Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom,
 Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom,
 Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,
 Be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,



grant us cour - age For the fac - ing of this
 grant us cour - age For the liv - ing of these
 grant us cour - age Lest we miss Your king - dom's
 grant us cour - age, Serv - ing You whom we a -



hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
 days, For the liv - ing of these days.
 goal, Lest we miss Your king - dom's goal.
 dore, Serv - ing You whom we a - dore.

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Service & Stewardship

Worship Services	Mar 7		WED LENT Mar 10	Mar 14	
Counters	Tobey Eich Brad Pick		--	Tobey Eich Brad Pick	
Elders (Com Srvc)	Alphonse Strubbe Tobey Eich		--	Quint Dooley Brian Crosby	
Acolytes	EARLY Bryson Metz Talon Mackey	LATE Katie Saylor Luke Olson	Talon Mackey	EARLY Josiah Baumann Mazie Mackey	LATE Ben Honkomp Carson Fjelstad
Accompanist	Karen Dooley		Darcy Muller	Julie Baumann	

John 2:16 - "And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." The Lord's House is not a place to sell, but a place to receive and a place to give. It's not a place for our schemes and plans. Instead the Church is a place for the Lord's gracious giving and our faithful sacrifices in response.

Offering Statistics	28-Feb	YTD
Received	\$ 3,467.00	\$ 41,661.69
Budgeted	\$ 5,807.69	\$ 52,269.21
Over/(Under) Budget	\$ (2,340.69)	\$ (10,607.52)
<i>Above Includes E-Giving thru FEBRUARY :</i>		<i>\$7,607.52</i>

Prayer Requests

(Health and Healing will run two-weeks unless you extend)

Health & Healing	Serving in the Military
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For all those who are currently dealing with COVID - Jesse Neyens - Isaac Baumann - Gloria Baumann - ALS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seth Bolon - Michael Dolly - Caitlyn Glover - Isaiah Sperle
Ministry	His Ark
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Resurrection Lutheran Church - His Ark CCDC - Come and See - Dayspring - SF Lutheran School 	Colton, Bennett, Athan; parents Shawn & Jamie Cullen; parents Catherine & Chris Carter; parents Patsy & Adam Staff: Chantell Schieber

Sanctity of Human Life Raffle Ticket Announcement

Proceeds from ticket sales will go to the funding of permanently placed billboards that promote the Sanctity of Human Life.

The chapters goal is to place 4 Billboards on Interstate 29 and 90 coming in to Sioux Falls.

Raffle Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Winner will receive a limited edition sculpture - "Life" by local renowned artist Darwin Wolf.



Please contact: Jim Geraets (605) 940-5739 to Purchase your tickets today. Deadline is April 4th.

RESURRECTION LUTHERAN

CALENDAR		
Sunday (today)	8:00 am LIVE 9:30 am LIVE/ONLINE 10:45 am LIVE/ONLINE	Worship (1 & 3 w/Communion) Adult Bible Class - Leviticus Worship (2 & 4 w/Communion)
Monday	5:30 pm	Women's Bible Study
Tuesday	5:30 pm (Note New Time) 6:30 pm	2 nd Tues: His Ark BOD 1 st Tues: Elders
Wednesday	3:45 pm 5:45 pm 6:45 pm 7:00 pm	His Ark Chapel, School Age Choir (join us...please!) Hymn Sing Lenten Service "Return to the Lord"

- During COVID - if you desire to receive the Lord's Supper, but are uncomfortable being in larger groups, please contact Pastor Ascher or the church office to set up alternate communion options...
- Middle School & High School Youth - text Heather, 651-428-0709 and/or **Sign up on Youth Board**

What: Mall Scavenger Hunt
When: Sunday, March 14 at 1:00 p.m.
Where: Meet at church to divide into teams
HELP: We'll need drivers and chaperones at the mall. The hunt will be for one hour, teams will take pictures and a winner **will be declared!**



Prizes of unspeakable value to many winners!

Main Street Living - (www.mainstreetliving.com)

DATE	WATCH "This is the Life" @ 10 am	LISTEN Sioux Falls KDLT @ 10:30 am
3/7	"Man Adrift" is a Fisher Family episode that discusses the relationship of Faith and Works.	Rev. Tim Koch of Emanuel Lutheran Church in Milbank, SD brings the message "The Ten Commandments." The message is based on Exodus 20:1-17.
3/14	What is proper when Christians face adversity is discussed in this episode "Time Out for Bill."	Rev. Daniel Grimmer of Zion Lutheran Church in Mitchell, SD tells us that "Jesus is the Satisfier." Based on John 6:1-15
3/21	"A Gift for Grandpa" depicts how Freddie goes to great lengths to get a gift for Grandpa Fisher and learns valuable lessons along the way.	Rev. Marcus Ring of St. John Lutheran Church in Gregory, South Dakota, selected Psalm 119:9-16 as the basis for his message "Stored Up in My Heart."
3/28	The entire one-hour broadcast will feature a tour of the Holy Land. It features many places where Jesus walked and talked. The Holy Land-The Eternal Rock Tour" features your Lutheran brothers and sisters as they discover many of the sacred sites. The tour is guided by Rev. Nabil Nour of Trinity Lutheran Church in Hartford, South Dakota.	

Lutheran School

- SCRIP orders are back in operation at SFLS Association Congregations and Zion Lutheran Church. Please visit www.siouxfallslutheran.com/scrip.
 - New to SCRIP: Get physical gift cards delivered right to your door by shopping through the RaiseRight app! Learn more online. You must call the school 605.335-1923 to obtain a code.

- **Celebrate His Gifts** is being rescheduled for a later date when we can safely gather together in person. Please keep an eye on the church bulletin and www.siouxfallslutheran.com/celebrate-his-gifts for additional details.
- **Sioux Falls Lutheran High School Stats:** The class of 2021 earned an average ACT score of 26.5 and 75% of the class earned an ACT score of 26 or higher. 70% of the class of 2021 and 20% of the class of 2022 took one or more dual credit classes through USD. To learn more about enrolling your child in high school at SFLS, contact Megan Baedke at 605-335-1923.
- Learn more about *Our Highest Gifts for Our High School*—a capital campaign to build high school space at SFLS—and discover how you can contribute online at www.siouxfallslutheran.com/capital-campaign.

CELEBRATIONS: March & April

MARCH Birthdays		
First	Last	Birthday
Theresa	Dennis	1-Mar
Kim	Hoffman	1-Mar
Brittany	Jacobsen	4-Mar
Maranda	Meyer	5-Mar
William	Adamson	8-Mar
Darla	Bierwagen	9-Mar
Jeffrey	Trainer	11-Mar
Caden	Barta	13-Mar
Evelyn	Baumann	14-Mar
Erik	Gerlach	15-Mar
Emily	Kehn	15-Mar
William	Douglass	16-Mar
Cory	Ahrendt	18-Mar
Michael	Dennis	18-Mar
Reyna	Jacobsen	19-Mar
Janice	Jundt	20-Mar
Ethan	Olson	21-Mar
Patrick	Bartel	22-Mar
Jacob	Hoffman	22-Mar
Lucas	Hoffman	22-Mar
Edmond	Mbanda	23-Mar
Shelby	Glover	24-Mar
Marissa	Dooley	26-Mar
Dylan	Meyer	27-Mar
Noah	Christiansen	28-Mar
Roslyn	Neyens	28-Mar
Landon	Dunker	29-Mar
Wilbur	Kalb	30-Mar
Jeremy	Eich	31-Mar
Eugene	Limmer	31-Mar

APRIL BIRTHDAY		
First	Last	Birthday
Jillian	Pierson	2-Apr
Roxanne	Swab	4-Apr
Loghan	Ham	5-Apr
Kyle	Muchow	6-Apr
Alyssa	Pierson	6-Apr
Al	Schmuck	6-Apr
Kent	Muller	8-Apr
Randy	Erdman	9-Apr
Brody	Muchow	9-Apr
Darcy	Muller	9-Apr
Hayden	Metz	10-Apr
Kati	Saylor	10-Apr
Jason	Glover	11-Apr
Caleb	Bartel	18-Apr
Joey	Mackey	21-Apr
Katie	Wald	24-Apr
Steven	Remund	26-Apr
Dick	Stempges	26-Apr
Andrew	Christiansen	27-Apr
Albert	Ng'andu Jr.	28-Apr
Ashley	Erdman	29-Apr



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES		
Name	Celebrating	Date
Jordan and Kimberly Barr	8 years	4-Apr
Richard and Terri Kube	13 years	12-Apr
Kent and Darcy Muller	6 years	18-Apr
Ryan and Carol Buckneberg	8 years	20-Apr
Joe and Celeste Saylor	17 years	24-Apr
Kyle and Steph Muchow	17 years	24-Apr

~ Return to the Lord ~

In the Book of Joel, the prophet paints a vivid picture of the coming judgment of God, the Day of the Lord. The imagery is bold and terrifying: hordes of locusts swarming over the land and decimating everything. Joel’s prophecy has teeth even today as wars rage, natural disasters threaten and destroy, and our culture seems to be unraveling. But right in the middle of this frightening portent, we find a tender invitation from the Lord:

“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” (Joel 2:13). God’s invitation and promise finds its fullness in Jesus Christ, who personifies and accomplishes all that God declares.

During this season of Lent, we will consider the theme “Return to the Lord” and examine how the call to return played out in practical ways for the people who walked alongside Christ as He demonstrated and carried out God’s grace and mercy on our behalf, taking God’s wrath upon Himself, setting the stage for God to “turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind Him” (Joel 2:14).

	FEB 17 7 pm	ASH WEDNESDAY “A Call to Return”	
	Feb 24 7 pm	LENT 1 “Return to Prayer ” Peter, James, & John/Gethsemane	
	MAR 3 7 pm	LENT 2 “Return from Betrayal ” Judas	
	MAR 10 7 pm	LENT 3 “Return from False Witness” Caiaphas and the Council	
	MAR 17 7 pm	LENT 4 “Return from Denial ” Peter	
	MAR 24 7 pm	LENT 5 “Return to the Kingdom of God ” Pontius Pilate	
	APR 1 7 pm	MAUNDY THUR “ Return to the Table ” Jesus’ invitation (First Communion)	
	APR 2 7 pm	GOOD FRIDAY “ Return to the Cross ” 7 Last Words	
	APR 4 7 am	EASTER SUNRISE “ Return to the Church ” What was accomplished	
	APR 4 930 am	EASTER FESTIVAL “ Return and See ” Christ is risen	

Mar 10, 2021

Sin begets more sin. In this case, Judas’s betrayal brings Jesus before Caiaphas and the Council, where the sin of false witness prevails. What did God actually mean in the Eighth Commandment when He said that you should “not bear false witness against your neighbor” (Exodus 20:16)? The false witness in the sham trial was evident, but ours is seldom so. What are the ways that we transgress the commandment? And how does our failure lead us away from God? God calls us to turn from our sin, to look to Him, and to find our rest and identity in Him. When we do, Jesus takes our sins—even our false witness against Him—and offers us forgiveness: “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do” (Luke 23:34).

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