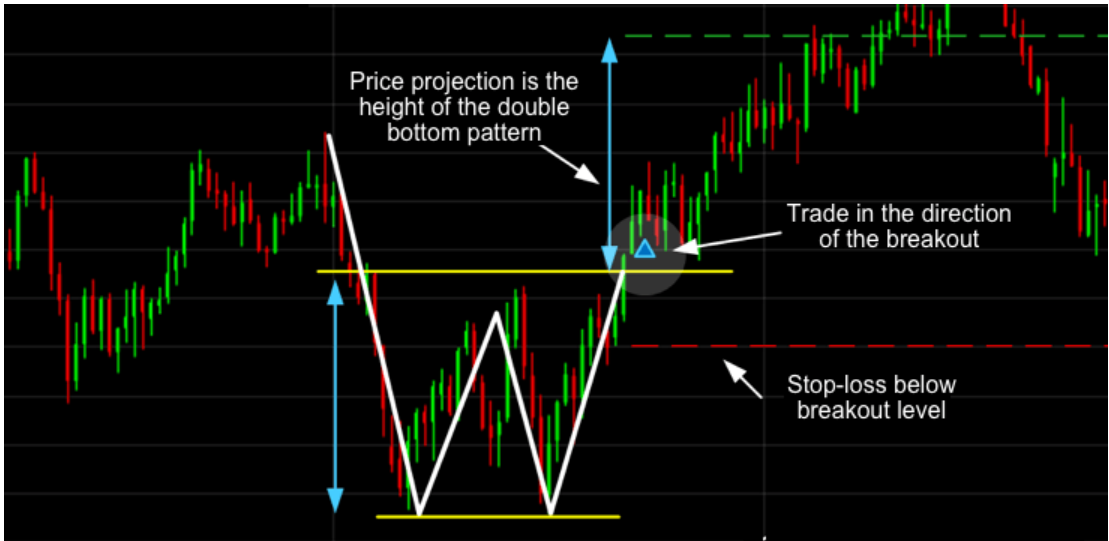


# *Second Sunday in Lent*

## *March 5, 2023*



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**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**     March 5, 2023  
**WHAT RELIES ON FAITH**

**PRESERVICE MUSIC** "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain" (arr. Blersch) &  
"Children of the Heavenly Father" (arr. Behnke)

**A Reminder: Please be respectful to our brothers and sisters who use the time prior to worship for quiet meditation on God's Word. - Thank you**

**435 COME TO CALV'RY'S HOLY MOUNTAIN**

- 1    Come to Calv'ry's holy mountain,  
      Sinners, ruined by the fall;  
      Here a pure and healing fountain  
      Flows for you, for me, for all,  
      In a full, perpetual tide,  
      Opened when our Savior died.
- 2    Come in poverty and meanness,  
      Come defiled, without, within;  
      From infection and uncleanness,  
      From the leprosy of sin,  
      Wash your robes and make them white;  
      Ye shall walk with God in light.
- 3    Come in sorrow and contrition,  
      Wounded, impotent, and blind;  
      Here the guilty, free remission,  
      Here the troubled, peace may find.  
      Health this fountain will restore;  
      They that drink shall thirst no more.
- 4    They that drink shall live forever;  
      'Tis a soul-renewing flood.  
      God is faithful; God will never  
      Break His covenant of blood,  
      Signed when our Redeemer died,  
      Sealed when He was glorified.

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**BAPTISM** 10 am     Henley Serena Hecht    Parents Troy & Ivy Hecht

**MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH**

The Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.    *Luke 19:10*

**INVOCATION**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**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.

**C** **Amen.**

## **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.**

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Genesis 12:1–9*

<sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." <sup>4</sup>So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. <sup>5</sup>And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan, <sup>6</sup>Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. <sup>7</sup>Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. <sup>8</sup>From there he moved to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built an altar to the LORD and called upon the name of the LORD. <sup>9</sup>And Abram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE**

*Romans 4:1–8, 13–17*

<sup>1</sup>What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? <sup>2</sup>For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. <sup>3</sup>For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness." <sup>4</sup>Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. <sup>5</sup>And to the one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, <sup>6</sup>just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works: <sup>7</sup>"Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; <sup>8</sup>blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin." . . . <sup>13</sup>For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

<sup>16</sup>That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**7:30 am ANTHEM** “Unfailing Love” (Raney)

## HOLY GOSPEL

*John 3:1–17*

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

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

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. <sup>6</sup>That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? <sup>11</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. <sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

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

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

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

### 702 MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE

- 1 My faith looks up to Thee,  
Thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Savior divine.  
Now hear me while I pray;  
Take all my guilt away;  
O let me from this day  
Be wholly Thine!
- 2 May Thy rich grace impart  
Strength to my fainting heart;  
My zeal inspire!  
As Thou hast died for me,  
Oh, may my love to Thee  
Pure, warm, and changeless be,  
A living fire!

3 While life's dark maze I tread  
And griefs around me spread,  
    Be Thou my guide;  
Bid darkness turn to day,  
Wipe sorrow's tears away,  
Nor let me ever stray  
    From Thee aside.

4 When ends life's transient dream,  
When death's cold, sullen stream  
    Shall o'er me roll,  
Blest Savior, then, in love,  
Fear and distrust remove;  
O bear me safe above,  
    A ransomed soul!

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**SERMON** "What Relies On Faith" Romans 4:1-8, 13-17

**NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION** 10 am

**CREED** Early Service – Nicene Creed Late Service – Apostles' Creed  
*(Creed can be found in the back of the hymnal and on the screens)*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*After each petition, please respond with the following:*

**P** Lord in your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

*At the end of the prayer:*

**C** Amen.

***Late service please continue with the Lord's Prayer & Benediction***

**+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +**

## PREFACE

LSB 160

**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, 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:

## SANCTUS

LSB 161

- C** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

## LORD'S PRAYER

## PAX DOMINI

LSB 163

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

## AGNUS DEI

LSB 163

- C** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## + DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

*For guests and visitors, we invite you to please read our statement  
regarding the Lord's Supper on the inside cover of your bulletin.*

## ANTHEM "At the Table of the Lord" (Althouse)

## 622 LORD JESUS CHRIST, YOU HAVE PREPARED

sts. 1, 4, 6

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, You have prepared This feast for our salvation;  
It is Your body and Your blood, And at Your invitation  
As weary souls, with sin oppressed, We come to You for needed rest,  
For comfort, and for pardon.
- 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your precious Word believing  
That Your true body and Your blood Our lips are here receiving.  
This Word remains forever true; All things are possible with You,  
For You are Lord Almighty.
- 6 Lord, I believe what You have said; Help me when doubts assail me.  
Remember that I am but dust, And let my faith not fail me.  
Your supper in this vale of tears Refreshes me and stills my fears  
And is my priceless treasure.

Text: Samuel Kinner, 1603–68; tr. Emanuel Cronenwett, 1841–1931, alt.

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## 543 WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS

- 1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
    What wondrous love is this  
    That caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!
- 2 When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
When I was sinking down, sinking down,  
    When I was sinking down  
    Beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.
- 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
    To God and to the Lamb,  
    Who is the great I AM,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing.
- 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.  
    And when from death I'm free,  
    I'll sing His love for me,  
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
And through eternity I'll sing on.

Text: A General Selection of . . . Hymns and Spiritual Songs, 1811, Lynchburg, alt.

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## 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.

## 7:30 am CHORAL BLESSING

## 10:00 am BENEDICTION

*LSB 166*

**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.

## 571 GOD LOVED THE WORLD SO THAT HE GAVE

- 1 God loved the world so that He gave  
His only Son the lost to save,  
That all who would in Him believe  
Should everlasting life receive.

2 Christ Jesus is the ground of faith,  
Who was made flesh and suffered death;  
All then who trust in Him alone  
Are built on this chief cornerstone.

3 God would not have the sinner die;  
His Son with saving grace is nigh;  
His Spirit in the Word declares  
How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.

4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son  
Forgives all sins which you have done;  
And, justified by Jesus' blood,  
Your Baptism grants the highest good.

5 If you are sick, if death is near,  
This truth your troubled heart can cheer:  
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;  
That is the firmest ground of faith.

△ 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,  
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
To You, O blessed Trinity,  
Be praise now and eternally!

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## DISMISSAL

**P** Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** “Prelude and Fugue in D minor” (J.S. Bach)

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## Congregation at Prayer and Devotions for the Week

**Invocation** In the name of the Father, and of the Son ✠, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Introit** (found on front page)

**Catechism Review** (found on front page)

**Meditation:** Portals of Prayer, [www.lhm.org/dailydevotions](http://www.lhm.org/dailydevotions), Other

### *Daily Scripture Readings*

Sunday: Genesis 16:1-9, 15-17:22; Mark 6:1-13

Monday: Genesis 18:1-15; Mark 6:14-34

Tuesday: Genesis 21:1-21; Mark 6:35-56

Wednesday: Genesis 22:1-19; Mark 7:1-23

Thursday: Genesis 24:1-31; Mark 7:24-37

Friday: Genesis 24:32-52, 61-67; Mark 8:1-21

Saturday: Genesis 27:1-29; Mark 8:22-38

### *In Our Prayers This Week (as of Thursday morning)*

Herb, health issues

Kathy, cancer

Diane, recovery

Jack, ongoing health issues

Lauren's mother, Phyllis

Shirley, health issues

Kent, recovery

Georgia, recovery

Jim, cancer

Tom, cancer

Lauren, cancer

Judi and Don

Mike's mother - Jean, health issues

Sidney, granddaughter of Steinke's with medical issues

For those who mourn the evil in our world, that God's comfort and peace may point them to the hope of the resurrection.

For those with hearts where evil dwells, that God's kingdom would come and rule over their life.

For our nation, that God would bring about repentance through His Word that He may heal our land.

**Our Savior Families:** Stewart & Pamela, Ashley & Family, Janette

William, a child with leukemia

Mary, Jan's sister-in-law, cancer

Pierce, an infant with leukemia

Georgia, recovery

Margo, health issues

Jim, health issues

Blake

Nate, cancer

Jim, Parkinson's

Steve, Guillain-Barre Syndrome

Barb, Healing

Rick, cancer

Jean, recovery

**Hymn of the Week** "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" LSB 702

**Collect** (found on front page)

**Apostles' Creed, Lord's Prayer, Benediction**