

Old Testament

Numbers 21:4–9

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” ⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

Epistle

Ephesians 2:1–10

¹And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— ³among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶and raised us up with

him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Holy Gospel

John 3:14–21

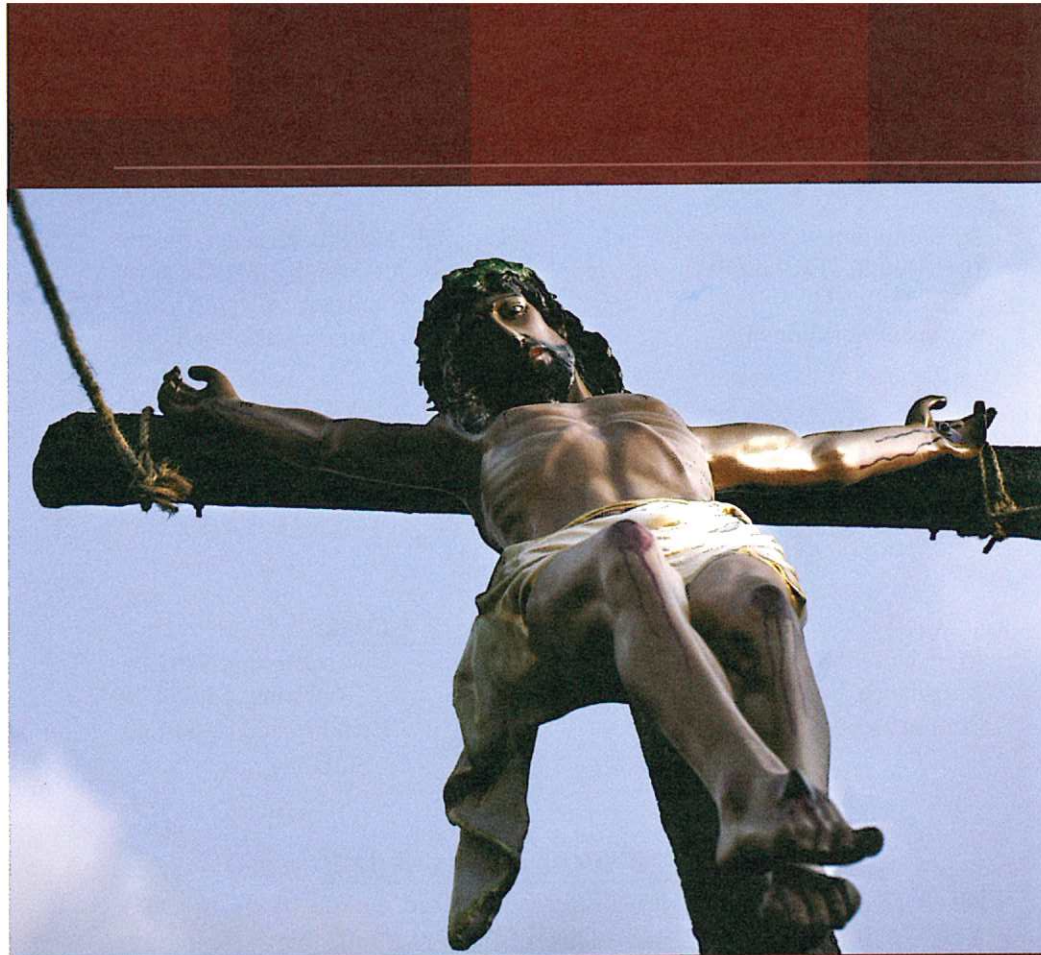
¹⁴[Jesus said:] “As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. ²¹But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God.”

About the Cover: Jesus was lifted up on the cross so that all who look to Him for salvation would have eternal life. In that great Scripture of John 3:16, we also have the perspective of God looking down upon the world in love. Christ’s act of going to the cross is the definitive act of God’s love for us. “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.”



Lent



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4th SUNDAY IN LENT

March 14, 2021

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting One p. 151
Hymns: 430, 422, "Teach Us, Jesus, How to Serve" (Tune: 373), 848
Sermon: "Significant Teaching - Tuesday of Holy Week"
Matthew 23:1-12

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 3/3 (Lent Wed.): 32	Offering: \$892.04
Attendance 3/7 (Sun): 60	Comm.: 45
Budget Needs: \$3,541	Offering: \$3,308.00
S.S. – 11	Scrip Profit 3/7: \$14.53
	Staff – 2

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

MON (3/15) April Newsletter Items Due
TUES (3/16) 9:30 a.m. – Circuit Pastors Conf., New Holstein
WED (3/17) 3:30 p.m. – Confirmation Class
7:00 p.m. – Lenten Worship
7:45 p.m. – Council
SUN (3/21) 8:15 a.m. – S.S.
No B.C.
9:00 a.m. – Worship w/Comm.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given in God's glory by Faith Sonnabend in honor of her birthday.

TODAY'S BULLETINS are sponsored by Faith Sonnabend in honor of her birthday.

PLACES OF THE PASSION – This week we travel to the Courtyard, outside of where Jesus is put on trial before the high priest and where Peter denies Jesus. We are called to confess that we often tend to distance ourselves from Christ, when we should be drawing closer to Him.

SIGN UP FOR EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP – If you plan on attending in-person worship on Easter Sunday, you need to sign up so that we can make appropriate arrangements for social-distancing. When you sign up, please indicate how many will be attending and note in the comment section where you prefer to sit. Here's the link:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054BA9AE28A7FF2-easter>
You can also call the church office to sign up.

EASTER FLOWER order forms are available in your mailbox. Deadline to order is March 21.

EASTER AND CONFIRMATION CARDS are available in the card room.

2021 CHURCH DIRECTORIES are available in the church narthex if you'd like a copy.

MEAL TRAIN FOR LORI & JOHN KRUEGER – Lori, one of our members, is dealing with ALS. A Meal Train has been set up to help them with some meals. If you would like to help, go to <https://mealtrain.com/r5nmw> for more information and to sign up for a meal. Please note that there are dos and don'ts on the ingredient list which are very clearly spelled out on the website.

MILITARY BIBLESTICKS – Place your donations in an envelope marked "Military BibleSticks" and put them in the offering plate or drop them off in the church office. The goal is 55 BibleSticks. Each one costs \$25. Checks should be made payable to church. We are also in a friendly battle with St. Peter, Hilbert to see who can raise more funds. Bragging rights are on the line!