

*Our mission is to glorify God as we seek to make disciples of all nations
by bringing the gospel of Jesus Christ to all people within and outside
of the one holy Christian Church.*

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The Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 26, 2023

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The Special Music: "God Made Me" - Sunday School

The Sermon: "Hope"

The Text: Ezekiel 37:1-14

The Opening Hymn: "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" LSB 575

The Sermon Hymn:

"O, Christ Who Shared our Mortal Life" (Insert)

The Communion Hymns (8:00 a.m.):

"Glory Be to Jesus" LSB 433

"I Am Content" LSB 468

"Thy Body Given" LSB 619

The Closing Hymn: "Thanks to Thee, O Christ Victorious" LSB 548

+Holy Communion will be celebrated at the 8:00 a.m. service today. Guests, it is our desire for you to commune with us. In the Lord's Supper, in with and under the bread and the wine, we receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of faith. You should also know that when you commune with a group of Christians, you are saying you agree with the teachings of that church body. If you are a member of a different church body, please use this time for prayer and reflection upon God's Word. We then invite you to speak with one of the pastors about how you, too, can share in this wonderful gift. If you believe what Christ says about His supper and share the beliefs we have at St. Johns, an LCMS congregation, you are welcome to join us for communion. Gluten free wafers are available. If you prefer a gluten free wafer please let the pastors know.

This Week at St. Johns

Monday	Staff Meeting	8:45 AM
Monday	Scouts	6:00 PM
Tuesday	Bible Study	8:30 AM
Tuesday	TOPS	9:00 AM
Tuesday	Mahube Group	4:00 PM
Tuesday	Parish Planning Council	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Release Time	8:25 AM
Wednesday	Bible Study	10:30 AM
Wednesday	Lenten Service/M meal	NOON
Wednesday	Confirmation	3:30 PM
Wednesday	Bell Practice	5:00 PM
Wednesday	Lenten Meal	5:00 PM
Wednesday	Lenten Service	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Senior Choir Practice	7:00 PM

Next Sunday - Palm Sunday

Worship	8:00 AM
Sunday School	9:15 AM
Bible Study	9:30 AM
Worship (Comm.)	10:30 AM

PLEASE LET US KNOW you were here this morning by signing the black friendship registers located in the pews. It makes the office staff very happy. We're even happier if you checked whether or not you took communion!

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR this morning were given in loving memory of Lloyd Hensel by his wife, Virginia. The red rose is given in loving memory of Dawn Anderson.

TODAY'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON is "A Tree View - Zacchaeus."

ON MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH: Rev. Christopher Durham, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Lisbon, ND, presents the message, "The Lord Provides for our Eternal Need" based on Genesis 22:1-14. This is the Life: "Holy Land Tour, Part 1" - A video tour of locations in Jesus' earthly ministry, led by South Dakota pastor, Nabil Nour, who grew up in Israel. Main Street Living is broadcast Sundays at 9:00 a.m. on KVRP Fargo-Moorhead or watch online at www.mainstreetliving.com, "North(Fargo)."

LISTEN to the Lutheran Hour Sundays on KPRM 870 AM at 9:30 a.m., or KTIG 102.7 and 95.9 FM at 5:00 p.m. You can also listen on Sirius XM Family Talk Channel 133 on Sunday at 9:00 a.m. or any time on lhm.org/sentradio. Today's sermon is "Is God Missing in Action?" (John 11) with guest speaker, Rev. Dr. John Nunes. Is God "missing in action?" Not if we see things from God's eternal perspective.

TRIVIA starts tonight at 5:00 p.m. Please have your team "ready to rock! Spectators welcome!"

AMAZING GRACE - OUR LENTEN SERIES concludes this Wednesday. The noon service is followed by lunch served by the Ladies Aid. The Parish Fellowship Board is serving sloppy joes at 5:00 p.m. before the service at 6:00 p.m. This week we see God's amazing grace in the life of Paul.

PORTALS OF PRAYER for April through June are available in three different sizes in the front lobby. Be sure to pick up your copy before April begins.

HELP DECORATE the church for Easter by purchasing a lily. Cost is \$9.00 each. If you would like to purchase lilies, sign up on the sheet by the church office. Lilies may be taken home after the 10:30 a.m. service Easter morning.

THE BEMIDJI-PARK RAPIDS ZONE SPRING LWML RALLY will be held Tuesday, April 18 at First English, Dorset. We will be collecting items for Mahube to help individuals with housing assistance and to become self sufficient. You can pick up a copy of the list from the LWML bulletin board in the hallway. Please put your donations in the box in the front lobby by Sunday, April 16.

BLESSED ARE THE VOLUNTEERS, for without them what would we do? I'd like to thank everyone who volunteered to work registration, make calls, and especially those who donated blood during our blood drive on March 13 and 14. There were 107 blood products successfully collected. This wonderful outcome could not be accomplished without the help of our volunteers and donors. Thank you so much, *everyone*, for your support! - **Elayne Luiken, Blood Drive Coordinator**

APRIL ALTAR GUILD: Deb Luther.

APRIL ASSISTING ELDERS: 8:00 a.m. - (4/9) Emil Burgau & Larry Hetrick, (4/23) Steve Schauland & Jerry Eischens. 10:30 a.m. - (4/2 & 4/16) Mike Poole, (4/9) Mike Poole & Tim Ranisate.

APRIL ACOLYTES: 8:00 a.m. - (4/2) Alex Lof & Luke Eskola, (4/16) Kiften Luther & Will Sanquist, (4/23) Sophia Neubauer & Jada Lapping, (4/30) Khloe May & Will Sanquist. 10:30 a.m. - (4/2) Kolt Safratowich & Zach Harju, 4/16) Addie DeVore & Samantha Fiemeyer, (4/23) Alex Lof & Brock Knutson, (4/30) Kolt Safratowich & Clinton Koch.

HOLY WEEK ACOLYTES: Maundy Thursday (4/6) 5:30 p.m. - Brooke Kimball & Kaitlyn Maves. Good Friday (4/7) Noon - Khloe Harrison, 5:30 p.m. - Aiden May.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Att. - 23. Offering - \$8.75.

LAST SUNDAY: Att. 8:00 - 111. 10:30 - 49. Total - 160. Offering: Unified - \$5,354.00. Unified Electronic - \$1,952.20. Plate - \$459.00. Front Entry - \$100.00. Good Shepherd, Fort Myers (Trivia) - \$100.00. Total - \$7,965.20.

LENTEN SERVICE: Att: Noon - 41. 6:00 p.m. - 96. Total - 137. Offering: Unified - \$1,465.00. Lent - \$690.00. Plate - \$147.00. Total - \$2,332.00.