



Lutheran Church & Christian School



3RD Sunday in Lent

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Redeemed, Restored, & Rejoicing in Jesus!

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AS WE GATHER

Our focus during this Lenten season centers on the cross of Jesus, and the life-giving Words He spoke into our lives on Good Friday. It promises to be a meaningful journey, where, the image of the cross, just by its common usage in art, jewelry, and the like, can become devalued in the experience of the Christian. So can a lot of what we hear. However, as Jesus speaks His Word into our lives, our hope and faith is renewed for what lies ahead. From the cross itself, we hear again the seven lasting words of our Savior, finding in them forgiveness, life, and salvation. All to say, this Lenten season is more a step on the journey of faith than a stop, as we cast our vision to the empty tomb, and an eternity of joy with Jesus. Welcome in the Savior's name!

PRELUDE

"JOHN 3:16 SONG"

Please follow the PowerPoint slides.

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son that whoever believes in Him should not die but have eternal life!"

Halleluiah, Halleluiah, Halleluiah, Halleluiah, Halleluiah Amen!

THE BELLS CALL GOD'S PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

✠ PREPARATION ✠

INVOCATION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: **Amen.**

APPROACHING THE WORD

Pastor: The word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved, it is the power of God.

Congregation: "Behold your son ... Behold your mother."

Pastor: Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Congregation: "Behold your son ... Behold your mother."

Pastor: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth.

Congregation: "Behold your son ... Behold your mother."

CONFESSION OF SINS

Pastor: 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.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Congregation: who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

Congregation: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for self-examination and reflection.

Pastor: Gracious God,

Congregation: Since You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy on us, and for His sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

GOD'S WORD OF FORGIVENESS

✠ WORD ✠

PSALM OF PRAISE *Psalm 27 (Selected Verses)*

Pastor: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Congregation: Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.

Pastor: One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life.

Congregation: For He will hide me in His shelter in the day of trouble; He will lift me high upon a rock.

Pastor: I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living!

Congregation: Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

HYMN OF INVITATION “At the Cross, Her Station Keeping” [TUNE: *LSB 620*]

**At the cross, her station keeping, stood the mournful mother weeping,
Close to Jesus to the last.
In her heart His sorrow sharing, through His bitter anguish caring,
Now at length the sword had passed.**

**Jesus, may her deep emotion stir in me the same devotion,
Source of love, Redeemer true.
Let me thus, fresh ardor gaining and a purer love attaining,
Consecrate my life to You.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: God of compassion, whose own Son, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation: Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE & BLESSING

OLD TESTAMENT READING 1 Chronicles 16 (Selected Verses) (*Worship before the Ark.*)

¹ And they brought in the ark of God and set it inside the tent that David had pitched for it, and they offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before God. ² And when David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD ³ and distributed to all Israel, both men and women, to each a loaf of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. ... ⁷ Then on that day David first appointed that thanksgiving be sung to the LORD by Asaph and his brothers.

²⁸ Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!

²⁹ Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; bring an offering and come before Him! Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; ³⁰ tremble before Him, all the earth; yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.

³¹ Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice, and let them say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!"

³² Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it!

³³ Then shall the trees of the forest sing for joy before the LORD, for He comes to judge the earth.

³⁴ Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever!

³⁵ Say also:

"Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather and deliver us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to Your holy name and glory in Your praise.

³⁶ Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!"

Then all the people said, "Amen!" and praised the LORD.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Romans 5:1-8

(Peace with God through faith.)

¹ Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ² 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. ³ Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ 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.

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸ but God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

OUR SAVIOR SPOKE WITH SEVEN WORDS[Tune: KINGSFOLD, *LSB 444*]

**Our Savior spoke with seven words as on the cross He died;
Through pain and sorrow echoed hope when He was crucified.
To meet His grieving mother's needs His third word He did share
And brought a new relationship for John and Mary there.**

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HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:35-45

(The Request of James and John.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

Congregation: Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁵ And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to Him and said to Him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶ And He said to them, "What do you want Me to do for you?" ³⁷ And they said to Him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in Your glory." ³⁸ Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" ³⁹ And they said to Him, "We are able."

And Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized,”⁴⁰ but to sit at My right hand or at My left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”⁴¹ And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John.⁴² And Jesus called them to Him and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them.”⁴³ But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant,⁴⁴ and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all.⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

CREED *St. Patrick’s Breastplate*

Pastor: I arise today,

Congregation: ***Through a mighty strength, through the invocation of the Trinity, through belief in the threeness, through confession of the oneness, of the Creator of Creation.***

Pastor: I arise today,

Congregation: ***Through the strength of Christ’s birth with His baptism, through the strength of His crucifixion with His burial, through the strength of His resurrection with his ascension, through the strength of His descent for the judgment of doom.***

Pastor: I arise today,

Right: **Through God’s strength to pilot me:**

Left: **God’s might to uphold me,**

Right: **God’s wisdom to guide me,**

Left: **God’s eye to look before me,**

Right: **God’s word to speak for me,**

Left: **God’s hand to guard me,**

Right: **God’s way to lie before me,**

Left: **God’s shield to protect me,**

Right: **God’s host to save me,**

Left: **From snares of devils.**

Men: From temptation of vices,
Women: From everyone who shall wish me ill,

Men: Afar and near,
Women: Alone and in multitude.

Pastor: Christ to shield me today,
Men: Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me.
Women: Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me.

Left: Christ on my right,
Right: Christ on my left,

Left: Christ when I lie down,
Right: Christ when I sit down,

Pastor: Christ when I arise,
Men: Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me.
Women: Christ in the mouth of every woman who speaks of me,

Men: Christ in every eye that sees me,
Women: Christ in every ear that hears me.

Pastor: I arise today,
Congregation: *Through a mighty strength, through the invocation of the Trinity, through belief in the threeness, through confession of the oneness, of the Creator of Creation.*



HYMN OF THE DAY "Jesus, in Your Dying Woes"

LSB 447:7-9

For this and subsequent hymns, please see PowerPoint slides or back of the hymnal.

SERMON "Behold!"

HYMN OF RESPONSE *“Beneath the Cross of Jesus” (Words & Music by Keith Getty & Kristyn Getty © 2005 Thankyou Music (Admin. Capitol CMG Publishing)*

Beneath the cross of Jesus, I find a place to stand;
And wonder at such mercy, that calls me as I am.
For hands that should discard me, hold wounds which tell me “Come.”
Beneath the cross of Jesus, my unworthy soul is won.

Beneath the cross of Jesus, His fam’ly is my own.
Once strangers chasing selfish dreams, now one through grace a-lone.
How could I now dishonor the ones that You have loved?
Beneath the cross of Jesus, see the children called by God.

Beneath the cross of Jesus, the path before the crown,
We follow in His footsteps, where promised hope is found.
How great the joy before us- to be His perfect bride.
Beneath the cross of Jesus, we will gladly live our lives.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P As we mark the forty days of Lent with repentance and forgiveness, let us pray
for the renewal of the Church and the restoration of the world to the life of
God in Christ.

Silence for time of personal reflection.

Each petition concludes with the following response:

C Lord, make us mindful of one another.

Additional petitions may be offered.

P Gracious Father, listen to the prayers that flow from our lips, and sustain us
with the forgiveness won by Your Son’s Passion, death and resurrection;
through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sharing of God’s peace.

HYMN OF PREPARATION "Create in Me"

LSB, p. 192-3



C 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.

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

Pastor:	The Lord be with you.	<i>2 Timothy 4:22</i>
Congregation:	And also with you.	
Pastor:	Lift up your hearts.	<i>Colossians 3:1</i>
Congregation:	We lift them to the Lord.	
Pastor:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	<i>Psalms 136</i>
Congregation:	It is right to give Him thanks and praise.	

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20;
1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*
Congregation: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.** *Revelation 22:20*

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

See PowerPoint or back of the hymnal.

PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Congregation: **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI "Lamb of God" *LSB 550*



DISTRIBUTION

For those desiring to receive the LORD'S SUPPER today, please refer to the laminated card in the pew racks. Those not receiving Communion are still invited to come forward for a blessing. At the Communion rail, simply bow your head to receive a blessing.

At the time of Communion, please follow the direction of the ushers. For those receiving the individual cups, a non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of each tray. Following the passing of the individual cups, the common cup is offered for those who wish to commune in that manner.

All who are communing are encouraged to review the Sacrament of the Altar on pp. 326-327, and the Questions on pp. 329-330, in the front of the hymnal. Once again, we thank God for all who worship here today.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN "Jesus Comes Today with Healing" *LSB 620*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: 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 .

Congregation: Amen.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: 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.

Congregation: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN “Our Father by Whose Name” *LSB 863*

CONGREGATIONAL BLESSING “The Lord, My God, Be Praised” *LSB 794, St. 1*

♪ The Lord, my God, be praised, my light, my life from heaven;
My maker, who to me has soul and body given;
My Father, who will shield and keep me day by day
And make each moment yield new blessings on my way. Amen! ♪

DISMISSAL & POSTLUDE

Pastor: Redeemed and restored,
Congregation: We are rejoicing in Jesus.

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Trinity Calendar for March 12—March 19, 2023

Sunday	9:00 am	Bible Study (“Seven Last Words”) and Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship w/ Holy Communion
Monday		<i>No School/ Teacher In-Service</i>
	6:30 pm	Executive Team Meeting
Tuesday	5:00 pm	Men’s Wings Bible Study: “Gospel of John”
	5:30 pm	Women’s Bible Study “The Fruit of the Spirit”
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Soup & Salad Supper
	7:00 pm	Lenten Worship
Thursday	10:00 am	Bible Study: “Book of Matthew”
Friday		<i>St. Patrick’s Day</i>
Saturday	8:00 am	Men of Christ Bible Study: “The Truth Project”
		<i>LWML Northern Zone Spring Rally; Bedford, MA</i>
Sunday	9:00 am	Bible Study (“Seven Last Words”) and Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion

ATTENDANCE 3-5-23: 84

Families of the week: *The Peretti, the Piper and the Poisson families*

Birthdays:

- 16 March—Nick Martel
- 16 March—AJ Paju
- 18 March—Jason Bueckner
- 18 March—Heidi Welnak
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The flowers this morning are given by
Marcia Scadova in celebration of Roberta McNally’s birthday,
and by Marilyn Reardon, in memory of her best friend.

As an affiliate of *Care-Net* I'd like to share their website – *Care-net.org*. and the information and free resources they offer regarding Pro Life 101, Defending Your Pro Life Beliefs, Talking With Pro *Choice* Christians, among other topics. Please take the time to look at these short, easy online courses. We often struggle how to manage pro life conversations in a pro choice world. And, as always, we thank you for your continued support in the form of prayers and donations.



Thank you to everyone who came out yesterday morning and helped with the Mission Projects. You are much appreciated.

"7 for LIFE"

WEDNESDAYS

**(Soup, Salad & Sandwiches @ 6:00 p.m.
Worship @ 7:00 p.m.)**

SUNDAYS

(Bible Study @ 9:00 a.m. & Worship @ 10:30 a.m.)

"Behold!" (March 8 & 12)

"Forsaken!" (March 15 & 19)

"Thirst!" (March 22 & 26)

"Finished!" (March 29 & April 2)

3 Opportunities to Go Deeper:

"For You!" (Thursday, April 6, 7:00 p.m.)

**"Hands!" (Friday, April 7, Noon & 7:00 p.m.) "Alleluia" (Easter
Sunday 6:00 & 10:30 a.m.)**

Easter Flowers

ORDER BY March 26

Order flowering plants now and they will be delivered to the church and set up in the Sanctuary for Easter Sunday morning.

Flowering Plants	Quantity	Cost
Easter Lily	_____	\$13.25
Tulips, 6" pots	_____	\$ 9.50
Tulips, 8" pot	_____	\$15.00
Tulips, 10" pots	_____	\$18.00
Hyacinth, 3-bulbs	_____	\$ 9.50
4" Mini Daffodils pots	_____	\$ 5:00

Amount is payable when order is placed. Cash or checks accepted; make checks payable to: **Kelleher Greenhouses.**

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