

The Second Sunday in Lent
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DIVINE SERVICE

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Lutheran Service Book

Jesus Rescues Us from Death and Brings Us into Heaven

The prophet Jeremiah faithfully preached “all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people” (Jer. 26:8). He called the people to repentance, lest the Lord’s judgment come upon them. The violence that Jeremiah suffered for this preaching foreshadowed the cross and Passion of Christ Jesus, who suffered the judgment of God for the redemption of all people. For Jesus “comes in the name of the Lord” (Luke 13:35) in order to lay down His life for the sins of the world. Earthly Jerusalem was blind to His gracious visitation, and it put Him to death like the prophets before Him. Yet, His sacrifice upon the cross became the cornerstone of the new Jerusalem, His Church. He visits us today in mercy with His preaching of forgiveness, to gather us to Himself within that holy city, “as a hen gathers her brood under her wings” (Luke 13:34), for “our citizenship is in heaven” (Phil. 3:20).

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome

Confession and Absolution

873 Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Stand

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

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** 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.

Confession of Sins

LSB 151

- 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.**

Declaration of Grace

LSB 151

- P** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 74:1–3; antiphon: Psalm 69:9

- P** For zeal for your house has consumed me,
C **and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.**
- P** O God, why do you cast us off forever?
C **Why does your anger smoke against the sheep of your pasture?**
- P** Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old, which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your heritage.
C **Remember Mount Zion, where you have dwelt.**
- P** Direct your steps to the perpetual ruins;
C **the enemy has destroyed everything in the sanctuary!**
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, 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

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- A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



- C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



- C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



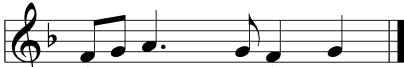
- C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

- A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



C A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.



C And al - so 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 A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 26:8–15

- A** The Old Testament Reading for The Second Sunday in Lent is from the twenty-sixth chapter of the prophecy of Jeremiah.

⁸When Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the

prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, "You shall die!
⁹Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, 'This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant'?"
 And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

¹⁰When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD. ¹¹Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, "This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears."

¹²Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, "The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. ¹³Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the LORD your God, and the LORD will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. ¹⁴But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. ¹⁵Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the LORD sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Philippians 3:17—4:1

A The Second Reading is from the third chapter of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Philippians.

¹⁷Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. ¹⁸For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

¹Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

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On my heart im - print Your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace,



That life's rich-es, cares, and plea-sures Nev - er may Your work e-raise;



Let the clear in - scrip-tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,



Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

Holy Gospel

Luke 13:31–35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

³¹At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." ³²And he said to them, "Go and tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course.

³³Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.' ³⁴O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! ³⁵Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not

see me until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'"

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

708 Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart

Sermon

Rev Jason Zirbel
Grace Lutheran Church
Greenwood, Arkansas

Stand

Apostles' Creed

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C 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.

Sit

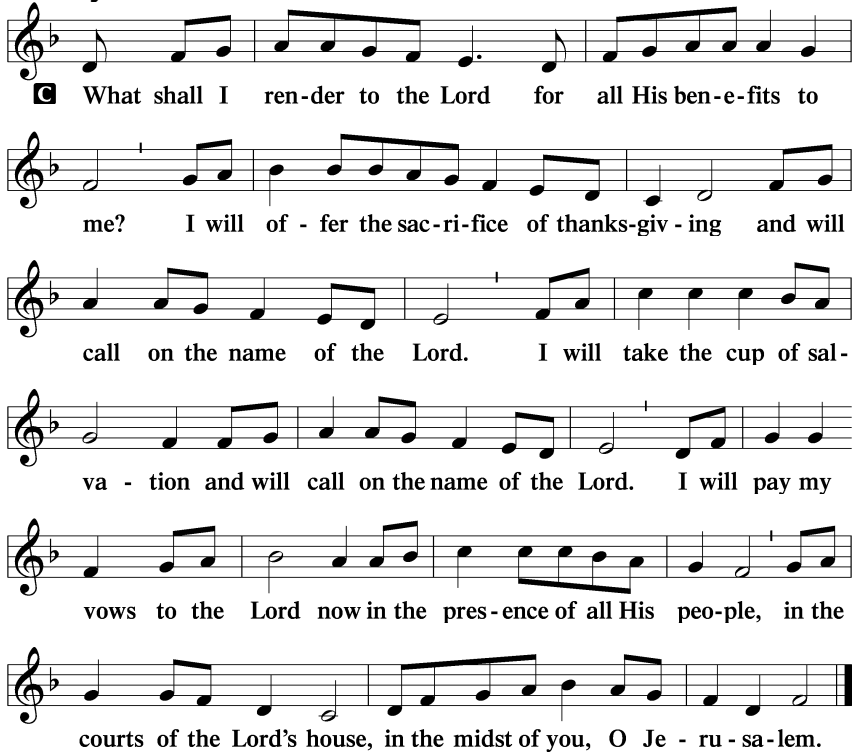
Gathering of Tithes & Offerings

If you are submitting a prayer request on a prayer card, kindly hand it directly to the usher. Do not place it into the offering plate.

Stand

Offertory

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C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa-lem.

Prayer of the Church

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- P** . . . Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer

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- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
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**

Concluding Collect

- P** Visit our dwellings, O Lord, and drive from them all the snares of the enemy; let Your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let Your blessing be on us always; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** Amen.

Benediction

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- 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.



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Silent Prayer

Announcements

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The Glad Spirit

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

ST. PAUL'S FAMILY

Bradley Eastman
Cindy Eastman
Kristin Geiger
Piper Geiger
Logan Geiger

BIRTHDAYS

Chelsea Baker, 3/16

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

Layla Baker, 3/22
Sondra Budde, 3/22
Kaitlin Dejonowski, 3/22
Kathy Dejonowski, 3/22
Dakoda Gaut, 3/22

CONFIRMATION ANNIVERSARIES

Gene Wiltjer, 3/17

SPECIAL CONCERNS

Pray for Norma Allen, Janice Abel, Sondra Budde, Jay Carey, Pastor and Pam Collins, Carmen Dampier, Judy Diekleman, Shirley Emerick, Latricia Harris, Ed Hoeksema Jr., Doris Leifert, Chester Orendorff, Violet Rich, Dolly Tagenhorst, Warren Van Mynen, Gene Wiltjer, Ray Zander.

Serving in the Military – Austin Brandy, James Fluechtling, Dakoda Gaut and Nathan Lopez.

Serving as First Responders – David Allen, Dave Bloom, Nathan Conway, Brianne Giba, Melanie Hudson, Brian Orth, Dana Tatgenhorst, Taylor VanDommelen and Dan Zander.



"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem..."
Luke 13:34

NEWS UPDATE

**READ THE
NEW TESTAMENT
IN 40 DAYS**

- _ March 16, Luke 14-19
 - _ March 17, Luke 20-24
 - _ March 18, John 1-5
 - _ March 19, John 6-9
 - _ March 20, John 10-14
 - _ March 21, John 15-19
 - _ March 22, John 20 - Acts 4
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St. Paul Book Club will meet Friday March 21 at 10:00 am, to review *The Memory Box* by Kathryn Hughes. We always welcome new members. We enjoy fellowship and lunch following the discussion.

Christ For You the week of March 16th on KFUE.org: We continue our study of 1 Samuel on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m. CT), covering chapters 26-30. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m. CT), we are beginning a deep dive into the book of Hebrews! Join us as we study chapters 3-6. Tune in for a Lenten Organ Recital and Worship Service this Wednesday (3/19 at 11 a.m. CT), live from Peace Lutheran in St. Louis!

The Week of March 16th Equipping the Priesthood of All Believers... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent topics include: Rehabilitating Happiness, Satan's Lies, First-Cousin Marriage, God's Promises in the Torah and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

On St. Joseph: "Though Mary's husband did not beget Jesus from his own body, he did father him in the fashion of a foster, adoptive, or step-parent. For this reason, he has received the title of Guardian of Our Lord. His service to God and family not only figures prominently in the Gospel of Jesus Christ but also exemplifies the holy vocation of fatherhood and testifies to the sanctity of marriage, parenting, adoption, and every human life." Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

The Fox and the Hen

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing!" Luke 13:34 (NIV)



The puzzle is based on Luke 13:31-35 (NIV)

F K S H J X Q A H P K R Z V A
 S T O N E M Z S D I S E A I T
 Q P B R I J U G P M P H C N B
 K W B S V S M F U F A N H S B
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CITY
 WINGS
 HEN

CHICKS
 CHILDREN
 KILL

GATHER
 PROTECT
 FOX

STONE
 GATHER
 HEROD

JESUS
 KILL
 CITY

GOD'S PEOPLE IN ACTION



ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

March 5th Attendance 19, 15 Online
 March 9th Attendance 21, 20 Communed

Envelopes	\$576.00	Weekly Missions	\$30.00
Basket	122.00	Church Maint.	20.00
Ash Wednesday	480.00	Social Ministry	358.00
Budgeted Total	<u>1,178.00</u>	Non-budgeted Total	<u>\$408.00</u>
Offering Needed	<u>1,423.00</u>		
Short	\$-245.00		



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday	8:30 am	Sunday School
	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:30 am	Coffee &...
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Corned Beef Dinner
	7:00 pm	Lenten Worship Service
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday	8:30 am	Sunday School
	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:30 am	Coffee &...

SERVANT SCHEDULE

Sun, Mar 16, 9:30 AM **Sun, Mar 23, 9:30 AM**

Pastor		
Usher	Dave Bloom	
Lay Reader	Micci Orth	Norma Allen



Food Pantry



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