



## **Third Sunday in Lent**

*March 18-19, 2017*

5 P.M. AND 8 A.M.

***St. John's Lutheran Church***  
***Red Bud, Illinois***



**THE PRELUDE:** “Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old”

*arranged by John Hirten*

**THE RINGING OF THE BELL** calls us to holy worship.

**OPENING HYMN – 902 “Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”**

*(please stand if able for the last stanza)*

### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

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

**P** In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** 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.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

*We share God's peace with and greet one another.*



But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?”

So Moses cried to the LORD, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” And the LORD said to Moses, “Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink.”

And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## THE GRADUAL

A: O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

**C: the founder and perfecter of our faith,**

A: who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame,

**C: and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**

## THE EPISTLE READING: Romans 5:1-8

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. 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.

More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, 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.

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

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## HYMN OF THE DAY – 702 “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

*(please stand if you are able)*

### THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 4:5-26

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

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

So Jesus came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob’s well was there; so Jesus, wearied as He was from His journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, “Give Me a drink.” (For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to Him, “How is it that You, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?” (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.)

Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, ‘Give Me a drink,’ you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water.” The woman said to Him, “Sir, You have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do You get that living water? Are You greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock.”

Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” The woman said to Him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water.”

Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.” The woman answered Him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true.”

The woman said to Him, “Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but You say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship.”

Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship Him.

God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.” The woman said to Him, “I know that Messiah is coming (He who is called Christ). When He comes, He will tell us all things.” Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am He.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

<b>CREED – 953 “We All Believe in One True God”</b>
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*(please be seated)*

**SERMON:** John 4:5-26

*(please stand if you are able)*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

(Each petition ends, “let us pray to the Lord” and we respond, “**Lord, have mercy.**”)

HEALING AND COMFORT: Nina Guebert, C. John Prigge, Fred Buch, Omar Koester, Cindy Nebel, Susan Luttmann, Peggy Sitzes, Paul Mollet; *Family and Friends of St. John's Members:* Brenda Manning, Stephanie Jones, Debbie Kezely, Terry Heller, Steve Herriman, Lori Voges, Elaine Goetting, Harlan Burmester, Brian Ulione, Larry Berg, Ruth Sutley, Joyce Wirth, Marianne Hunt, Jamie Brandt, Jennifer Dominique, Corey Koester, Tom Blevins, Edgar Wilson, Michael Weber. *Help us keep this list current!*

MILITARY: (Please call with the names to include in prayer.) Army- Nathan Koen, Jonathan Koen, Tim Healy, Christopher Dupertius, Thomas Goetting, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Casey Vallet, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Dustin Krack, Andy Pfeiffer, Austin Scheibe; Navy- Brad Koester, Carl Muehler; Air Force- Brian Hubbard, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich, Christina Cavan, Tanner Hackstadt, Ched Wagner; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Josh Butterworth, Courtney Kueker, Garrett Carnahan, Brent Knop  
+the birth of a son, Luke Michael, to Justin and Courtney (Nichols) Pollard on March 6<sup>th</sup>

*(please be seated)*

**OFFERING:** "What Wondrous Love Is This"

*arranged by Kevin J. Sadowski*

### **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT** *(please stand if you are able)*

#### **PREFACE**

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, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

SANCTUS – “Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old” - LSB 960



I - sa-iah, might-y seer in days of old, The Lord of all in spir-it



did be-hold High on a loft-y throne, in splen-dor bright, With robes that



filled the tem-ple courts with light. A-bove the throne were flam-ing ser-a-phim;



Six wings had they, these mes-sen-gers of Him. With two they veiled their



fac-es as was right, With two they hum-bly hid their feet from sight,



And with the oth-er two a-loft they soared; One to the oth-er



called and praised the Lord: “Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sab-a-oth!



Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sab-a-oth! Ho - ly is God, the Lord of



Sab-a-oth! His glo-ry fills the heav-ens and the earth!" The beams and lin-tels



trem-bled at the cry, And clouds of smoke en-wrapped the throne on high.

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## THE LORD'S PRAYER

- 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.
- P** In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- P** In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## PAX DOMINI

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

## AGNUS DEI – "Lamb of God, Pure and Holy" -LSB 434

- 1** Lamb of God, pure and holy, Who on the cross didst suffer,  
Ever patient and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer.  
All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o'er us:  
Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

*(please be seated)*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS –**  
**543 “What Wondrous Love Is This”**

**744 “Amazing Grace”**

**622 “Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared”**

*(please stand if you are able)*

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE – “O Lord, We Praise Thee” (LSB 617) stanza 3**

**May God bestow on us His grace and favor That we follow Christ our Savior  
And live together here in love and union Nor despise this blest Communion!**

**O Lord, have mercy!**

**Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us; Grant that heav’nly minded He make us;  
Give Thy Church, Lord, to see Days of peace and unity: O Lord, have mercy!**

### **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

A Let us pray.

A 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**

### **BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION**

P Let us bless the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

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. **Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN – 761 “Rock of Ages”**

**THE POSTLUDE: “O Lord, We Praise Thee”**

*arranged by Heinrich Scheidemann*

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