

St. John's Lutheran Church
Fifth Sunday in Lent

Red Bud, Illinois
March 20-21, 2021

WELCOME to St. John's Lutheran Church! We preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ, administer the sacraments and provide Christian education in service to all people. We are especially happy that we have visitors with us today. St. John's is a congregation which follows the historic order of Christian worship. Even if you are not Lutheran, you may recognize many of the elements of worship from your own tradition. If you or your small child needs a space for privacy during the service, Room 1 in the Fellowship Hall has a TV with a video feed of our worship service. To help with the reverent nature of our worship, please silence and do not use your cell phones and pagers during this service. Thank you!

The Prelude: (5 p.m.) "God of Grace and God of Glory"
 (8 a.m.) "Isaiah, Mighty Seer"

Bell Choir
arranged by John Hirten

The Ringing of the Bell calls us to holy worship.

Hymn of Invocation: 431 "Not All the Blood of Beasts"



1 Not all the blood of beasts On Jew - ish al - tars slain
 2 But Christ, the heav'n - ly Lamb, Takes all our sins a - way;
 3 My faith would lay its hand On that dear head of Thine,
 4 My soul looks back to see The bur - den Thou didst bear
 5 Be - liev - ing, we re - joice To see the curse re - move;



Could give the guilt - y con - science peace Or wash a - way the stain.
 A sac - ri - fice of no - bler name And rich - er blood than they.
 While as a pen - i - tent I stand, And there con - fess my sin.
 When hang - ing on the curs - ed tree; I know my guilt was there.
 We bless the Lamb with cheer - ful voice And sing His bleed - ing love.

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Please stand if able. The sign of the cross may be made in remembrance of Holy 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.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

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.**

Introit: Psalm 116



I love the Lord, because / He has heard	my voice and my pleas for / mer-cy.
Because He inclined His / ear to me,	I will call on Him as long / as I live.
The snares of death laid / hold on me;	I suffered distress and / an-guish.
Then I called on the name / of the Lord:	“O Lord, I pray, deliv- / er my soul!”
You have delivered my / soul from death,	my eyes from tears, my feet from / stumbling.
Glory be to the Father and / to the Son	and to the Holy / Spirit;
As it was in the be- / ginning,	is now, and will be forever. / A-men.
I love the Lord, because / He has heard	my voice and my pleas for / mer-cy.

Kyrie



☐ Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.** P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (please be seated)

The Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put My law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they

shall be My people. And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

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: Hebrews 5:1-10

For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not exalt Himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by Him who said to Him,

“You are My Son, today I have begotten You”; as He says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek.”

In the days of His flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to Him who was able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His reverence. Although He was a son, He learned obedience through what He suffered. And being made perfect, He became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey Him, being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

A This is the Word of the Lord. C **Thanks be to God.**

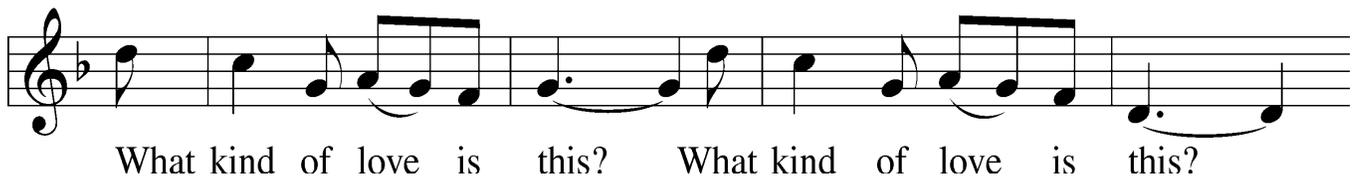
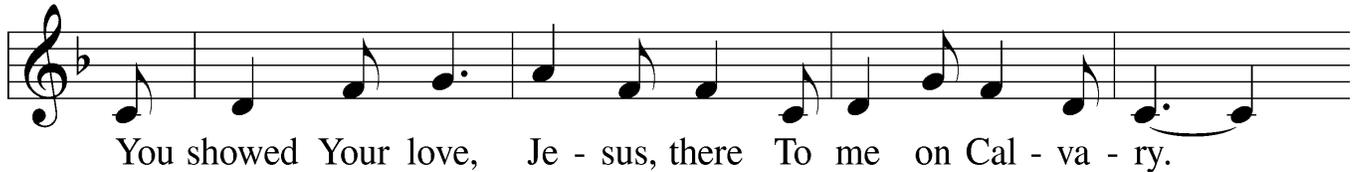
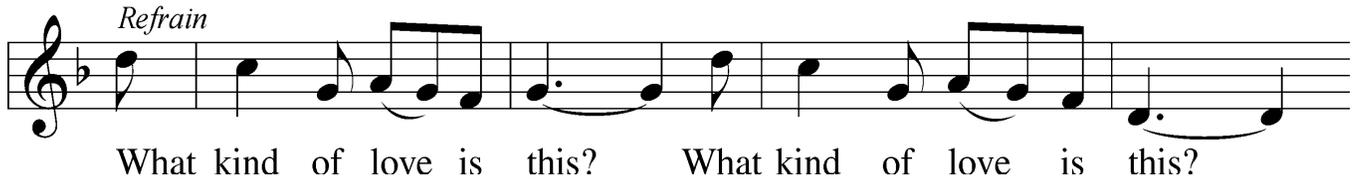
Hymn of the Day: 542 “When I Behold Jesus Christ”



1 When I be - hold Je - sus Christ, True God who died for me,
 2 For me You gave all Your love, For me You suf-fered pain;
 3 You had no sin, ho - ly Lord, But You were tor-tured, tried;
 4 What love is this? Great - er love No one has ev - er known.



I won - der much at His love As He hung on the tree.
 I find no words, noth - ing can Your self - less - ness ex - plain.
 On Gol - go - tha there for all My sins You bled and died.
 My life with God— this I owe To You, and You a - lone.



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(Please stand if you are able.)

The Holy Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter. **C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to Jesus and said to Him, “Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask of You.” And He said to them, “What do you want Me to do for you?” And they said to Him, “Grant us to sit, one at Your right hand and one at Your left, in Your glory.” 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?” 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, 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.”

And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. 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. But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and

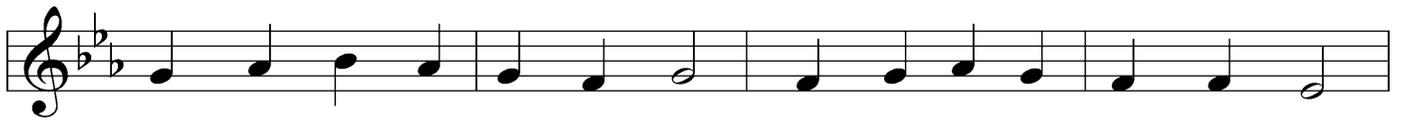
whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Credal Hymn: 953 We All Believe in One True God



1 We all be-lieve in one true God, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,
2 We all be-lieve in Je - sus Christ, Son of God and Mar - y's son,
3 We all con-fess the Ho - ly Ghost, Who from both in truth pro-ceeds,



Ev - er - pres - ent help in need, Praised by all the heav'n - ly host;
Who de - scend - ed from His throne And for us sal - va - tion won;
Who sus - tains and com-forts us In all tri - als, fears, and needs.



All He made His love en-folds, All cre - a - tion He up-holds.
By whose cross and death are we Res - cued from all mis - er - y.
Bless-ed, ho - ly Trin - i - ty, Praise for - ev - er be to Thee!

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(please be seated) **Sermon:** “He Suffered” Hebrews 5:1-10

Prayer of the Church: *Please stand if you are able.*

HEALING AND COMFORT: Ed Luttman, Barb Ladwig, Elroy Stellhorn, Larry Ebers, Dennis Deterding, Rhonda Schaefer, Susie Harms; *Family and Friends of St. John's Members:* Lori Voges, Roger Drinnon, Sr., Barb Niermann, Boniface Becker, Doug Whelan, Brenda Manning, Wayne Collmeyer, Velma Koenig, Rev. Timothy Scharr, Bob Rothley, Bruce Schneider, Rev. Brian Gegel, Bob Asbury, Michelle Dillon. *Help us keep this list current!*

MILITARY: *(Please call with names.)* Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Nathan Koen, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Austin Scheibe, Trevor Buckner, Jessica DeMarco, Jeremiah Brandt, Benjamin Boeder, Christopher Dupertius, Garrett Carnahan, Tyler Wahlman, Gavin Roche-Voss, Joshua Cox; Navy- Brad Koester, Carl Muehler; Air Force- Gage Baldwin, Brian Hubbard, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Tailor Neuhaus, Josh Butterworth, Keenan Turnure

EMERGENCY PERSONNEL: Fire/EMS- Tom Beshoar, Kevin Biffar, Chad Crafton, Steven Falkenhain, Chad Grohmann, Curt Guebert, Scot Heller, Blake Koppel, Chad Langrehr, Kenny Langrehr, Matt Liefer, Kevin Miller, Alan Piel, Jason Rippelmeyer, Brad Stechmesser, Mike VanDorn; Police- Abigail Brundage, Ralph Sievers, Chris Hewitt, Nick Mounts, Jason Palm, Doug Brennan *(Please call our office with names)*

+those who mourn: the family of Joyce Wirth, wife of St. John's member Roy Wirth

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, in these Lenten days we ask You to pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us to write Your Word on our hearts, that we might know You as the God who forgives our iniquities and remembers our sins no more. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, bless and sustain our Synod president; our district president; our circuit visitor; our pastors and teachers, who like us are beset with their own weakness and worry. Grant that they may deal gently with us and keep them faithful in proclaiming Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, Your Son came not to be served but to serve. Help us not lord our authority over one another, but humbly serve one another in our homes, communities and congregation as Christ has so humbly served us. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, look in mercy on our elected and appointed governmental leaders and all those to whom You have given earthly authority. Guard them from the temptation to lord it over us improperly, that they might faithfully serve according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, You watch over, protect and defend us through the service of others. Bless, we pray, the men and women who serve in our military, police forces, all emergency services and healthcare personnel who, like Your Son, often are called on to lay down their lives for us. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, as Your only begotten Son learned obedience though what He suffered, we pray that You would bless, sustain and relieve Ed, Barb, Elroy, Larry, Dennis, Rhonda, Susie, Lori, Roger, Barb, Boniface, Doug, Brenda, Wayne, Velma, Rev. Scharr, Bob, Bruce, Rev. Gegel, Bob, Michelle and all who suffer in our midst, that walking the way of the cross with Your Son, they may know the fullness of His eternal salvation. We pray that You would grant to our world, nation, state and community a final relief from this Covid-19 pandemic. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, the life, death and resurrection of Your Son Jesus have delivered our souls from death, our eyes from tears and our feet from stumbling. We place into Your care and keeping Joyce's family at this time of her earthly passing, praying for the peace of Your Holy Spirit to strengthen during this time of their loss with the good news of the resurrection to eternal life through Christ our Lord. Comfort all who mourn with this truth, that they may not grieve as others do who have no such hope. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**



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;



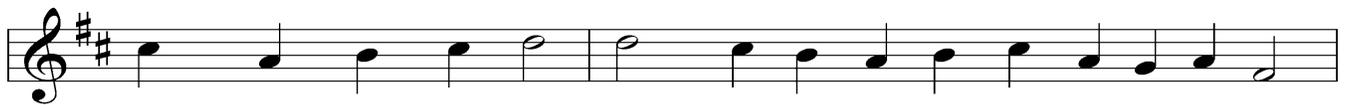
Six wings had they, these mes-sen-gers of Him. With two they veiled their



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

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.

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 and Pax Domini

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." 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."

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

Agnus Dei – "Lamb of God, Pure and Holy" -LSB 434

Lamb of God, pure and holy, Who on the cross didst suffer,

Ever patient and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer.

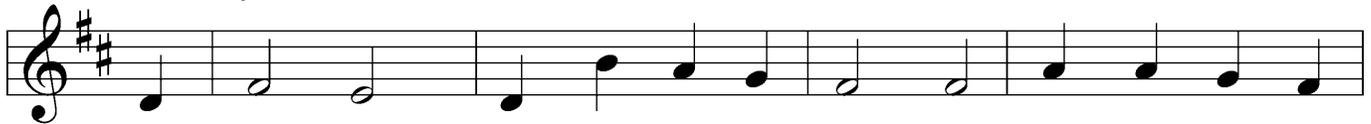
All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o'er us:

Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus! (please be seated)

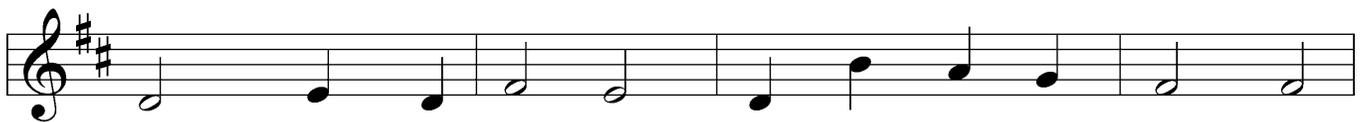
(5 p.m.) "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Bell Choir

Distribution Hymn: 647 "Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's Head"



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Church's head, You are her one foun -
 2 O Lord, let this Your lit - tle flock, Your name a - lone con -
 3 Help us to serve You ev - er - more With hearts both pure and
 4 And for Your Gos - pel let us dare To sac - ri - fice all



da - tion; In You she trusts, be - fore You bows, And
 fess - ing, Con - tin - ue in Your lov - ing care, True
 low - ly; And may Your Word, that light di - vine, Shine
 trea - sure; Teach us to bear Your bless - ed cross, To



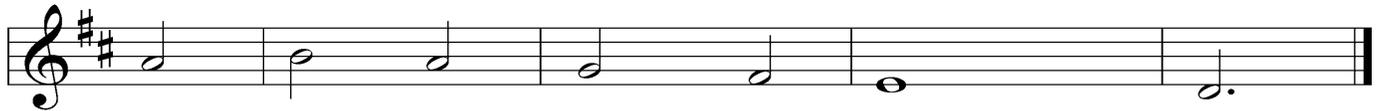
waits for Your sal - va - tion. Built on this rock se - cure,
u - ni - ty pos - sess - ing. Your sac - ra - ments, O Lord,
on in splen - dor ho - ly That we re - pen - tance show,
find in You all plea - sure. O grant us stead - fast - ness



Your Church shall en - dure Though all the world de -
And Your sav - ing Word To us, Lord, pure re -
In faith ev - er grow; The pow'r of sin de -
In joy and dis - tress, Lest we, Lord, You for -



cay And all things pass a - way.
tain. Grant that they may re - main
stroy And e - vils that an - noy.
sake. Let us by grace par - take



O hear, O hear us, Je - sus!
Our on - ly strength and com - fort.
O make us faith - ful Chris - tians.
Of end - less joy and glad - ness.

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Distribution Hymn: 421 "Jesus Grant That Balm and Healing"



1 Je - sus, grant that balm and heal - ing In Your ho - ly
2 Should some lust or sharp temp - ta - tion Fas - ci - nate my
3 If the world my heart en - tic - es With the broad and
4 Ev - 'ry wound that pains or grieves me By Your wounds, Lord,



wounds I find, Ev - 'ry hour that I am feel - ing Pains of
sin - ful mind, Draw me to Your cross and pas - sion, And new
eas - y road, With se - duc - tive, sin - ful vi - ces, Let me
is made whole; When I'm faint, Your cross re - vives me, Grant - ing



bod - y and of mind. Should some e - vil thought with - in
 cour - age I shall find. Or should Sa - tan press me hard,
 weigh the aw - ful load You were will - ing to en - dure.
 new life to my soul. Yes, Your com - fort ren - ders sweet



Tempt my treach - 'rous heart to sin, Show the per - il, and from
 Let me then be on my guard, Say - ing, "Christ for me was
 Help me flee all thoughts im - pure And to mas - ter each temp -
 Ev - 'ry bit - ter cup I meet; For Your all - a - ton - ing



sin - ning Keep me from its first be - gin - ning.
 wound - ed," That the tempt - er flee con - found - ed.
 ta - tion, Calm in prayer and med - i - ta - tion.
 pas - sion Has pro - cured my soul's sal - va - tion.

O my God, my rock and tower, Grant that in Your death I trust,
 Knowing death has lost its power Since You crushed it in the dust.
 Savior, let Your agony Ever help and comfort me;
 When I die be my protection, Light and life and resurrection. Public domain

Distribution Hymn: 564 "Christ Sits at God's Right Hand"



1 Christ sits at God's right hand, His sav - ing work com - plete,
 2 Christ was that priest God swore, U - nique - ly First and Last,
 3 Christ's al - tar was the tree, Where on the world's be - half
 4 What cost - ly sac - ri - fice To cov - er hu - man sin!



To reign till ev - 'ry foe will lie Be - neath His feet—
 Who would in righ - teous - ness and love Be un - sur - passed:
 He shed a blood, un - like the blood Of goat or calf,
 Who but Christ Je - sus had the right To en - ter in?



All that the Fa - ther planned, The Son sought to ful - fill,
 "A priest for - ev - er - more," An oath God would not break,
 To seal God's guar - an - tee Of grace that can - not fail;
 His blood, that sprin - kled price, So we might be as - sured



When first He said, "Lord, here am I To do Your will."
 "A priest with - in the or - der of Mel - chiz - e - dek."
 With blood He en - tered for our good Be - hind the veil.
 That our in - her - i - tance in light Has been se - cured.

5 Then let us now draw near, Washed in that precious flood
 And enter the Most Holy Place By Jesus' blood.
 From hearts that are sincere, Let tongues our hope profess,
 And trust anew God's faithful grace That we confess.

(Please stand for the last stanza, we sing "A-men.")

6 All praise to Christ we bring, Our Lord who intercedes,
 Our great High Priest enthroned above Who knows our needs;
 And to the Father sing Our songs of thankful praise,
 Who with the Spirit reigns in love For endless days. A-men.

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May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting. Depart in His peace.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE – "O Lord, We Praise Thee" (LSB 617) stanza 1
O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee, In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish Our weak souls that they may
flourish: O Lord have mercy!
May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary, That our sins and sorrows did carry,
And Thy blood for us plead In all trial, fear and need: O Lord, have mercy!

Post-Communion Collect, Benedicamus and Benediction

P Let us pray. 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.**

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. **C Amen.**

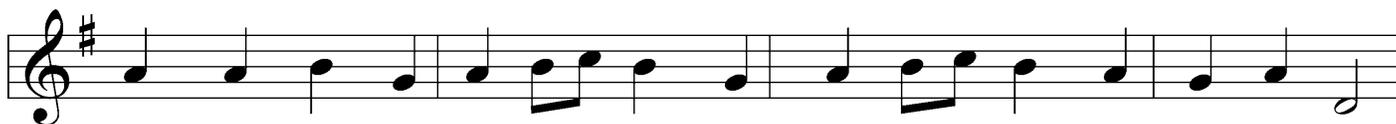
Thy Closing Hymn: 803 “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”



- 1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All Thy works with joy sur-round Thee, Earth and heav'n re - flect Thy rays,
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore Thee, Prais - ing Thee, their sun a - bove.
 Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 Well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, Drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Foun - tain - head of love di - vine:



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day.
 Chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain Call us to re - joice in Thee.
 Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy - ful, we by grace are Thine!

The Postlude: (5 p.m.) “Canterbury Chimes”
 (8 a.m.) “O Lord, We Praise Thee”

Bell Choir
arranged by Heinrich Schiedemann

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This Week With Our Lord, March 21-28, 2021

(When activities are going on in the Fellowship Hall, the sanctuary is available for prayer and meditation.)

SUNDAY, March 21-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

9:25 a.m. Sunday School in new gym; “Being Lutheran” class in the school library

9:30 a.m. Adult and Youth Bible classes in the Fellowship Hall

10:30 a.m. Divine Service (Alternative)

6:00 p.m. Sonshine Visitation meeting in the Fellowship Hall

Monday, March 22-

3:00 p.m. Faculty meeting in the school library
 6:00 p.m. Girls' Basketball (BC) away at RBC/Trinity
 7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the school music room

Tuesday, March 23-

12:30 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
 6:00 p.m. Girls' Basketball ABC at Steeleville
 6:30 p.m. Worship Committee meets in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, March 24

8:30 a.m. Midweek Lenten Service at church Acolyte: Emme Deterding
 9:00 a.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
 9:30 a.m. Office Staff meeting
 2:15 p.m. Public School Confirmation classes in the Fellowship Hall
 5:45 p.m. Lenten Supper in the Fellowship Hall
 7:00 p.m. Midweek Lenten Service at church Acolyte: Makennah Harless

Thursday, March 25-

8:10 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Luke)
 5:30 p.m. Girls' Basketball AB at TSJ in Nashville
 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the church balcony

Friday, March 26- 8:30 a.m. Early Childhood Chapel in new gym

Saturday, March 27-

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Breakfast in Fellowship Hall (Job)
 5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Olivia Gerald

SUNDAY, March 28- Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Connor Jordan
 9:25 a.m. Sunday School classes in new gym; "Being Lutheran" adult class in school library
 9:30 a.m. Adult & Youth Bible Classes in the Fellowship Hall
 10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Crewe Wagner

Next Week's Worship Readings

Old Testament: Zechariah 9:9-13; Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11; Gospel: Mark 15:1-47

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

To have flowers in worship please call the office at 282-3873 to notify the committee and to have proper thanks in the bulletin of those donating.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 363; Holy Communion: 87; Adults & Youth: 44; Sunday School students: 43
 Midweek Lenten Service IV- Worship: AM- 19; PM- 44

WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN, WHATE'ER THE GIFT MAY BE:

We join with one another in the grace of giving. 3/14- General Fund: \$14,012; School: \$695; Automatic Giving: \$5,790. *Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house. And thereby put Me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.*" (Malachi 3:10)

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Mark 10:45 – “For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” Jesus gives everything He has: He gives Himself. That self-giving is the model for our giving in all aspects of our lives. In our family, in our church, and in the world at large, Jesus calls us to follow His example in self-giving. We can only do this if we are connected to His self-giving in faith.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

We might not see weakness as a virtue. And yet, weakness is where God's strength is made perfect. Listen to “But He Is Strong” (Mark 14:10-72) with Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler on KFUD AM 850 this Sunday at 12:30 & 5 p.m. or on Bott Christian Radio on Sundays at 8 a.m. (KSIV 1320 AM or 91.5 FM).

CHILDREN’S MESSAGES:

Children are invited to return to the front for the Children’s Message. They are welcomed to wear a mask as they do so.

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES: (9:30 to 10:15 a.m.)

Sunday Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall meets with Pastor Nebel this Sunday to continue the study, “The Holy Bible: Genesis to Revelation.” Today’s topic is “Genesis.” DCE Bill Becker teaches a study called, “Being Lutheran.” This class meets in the school library.

ZOOM BIBLE CLASS OFFERING:

Seminarian Wade Waterstreet is offering a Zoom Bible Class on Saturdays from 4-4:40 p.m. To be part of “Stump the Seminarian” please send an email to him at waterstreetw@csl.edu and he will send you a weekly Zoom link.

PORTALS OF PRAYER:

The next quarter (April to June) of our daily devotion, *Portals of Prayer*, is available in the racks by the front and back doors of church. Sonshine Visitation members, please take one for each of the places that you visit.

RESERVATIONS FOR EASTER HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES:

We are adding a third service on Easter Sunday morning. Please make reservations for worship at either 5 p.m. Saturday, 6:30 a.m. Sunrise; 8:30 a.m. Festival or 10:30 a.m. Festival. They all will be Holy Communion services. We will take up to 150 people in the sanctuary and up to 40 in the Fellowship Hall (but must wear a mask in there). Please call our office at 282-2394 or 282-3873 to reserve a spot.

SONSHINE VISITATION:

Sonshine Visitation members will meet this Sunday evening, March 21 at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall to discuss visits to our members.

EVENING GUILD PROJECT:

Our Evening Guild mission project for the 40 days of Lent is to collect donations for the Musketeer Market at Red Bud High School. A list of items needed are on the front page of the North County News. Place donations in the collection crate in our Fellowship Hall.

EVENING GUILD ACTIVITIES:

LWML Zone Spring Renewal is Thursday, April 8, from 9 a.m. – Noon, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Prairie. An Orphan Grain Train representative will be our guest speaker. We need two delegates for zone election of officers. Pick up your new LWML Spring Quarterly!

EASTER EGG HUNT:

Easter Egg Hunt for children up to and including first grade will Saturday, April 3rd at 9 a.m. on the north lawn of the school. Our Junior Youth Group will host with Evening Guild sponsoring. *Anyone wanting to donate eggs, please take your filled and taped plastic eggs to school and leave them in entry of Main Entrance by April 1, marked "egg hunt."*

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES:

Midweek Lenten services are on Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Our theme this year is "By His Wounds We Are Healed." The theme for this Wednesday's service is "The Wounds of Stealing" from Luke 23:1-5. The supper menu will be tacos and all the fixings. This will be a served supper in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 5:45 p.m. A free will offering benefitting the Senior Youth will be taken. A hymn sing will precede the evening service.

EASTER LILIES:

Forms are available in the entryway for your donation of Easter lilies (\$7) in memory of or in honor of or in thanksgiving for someone or something. Please return those to our office by Monday, March 29. Thank you!

EASTER BREAKFAST:

Our Senior Youth will host a continental type breakfast on Easter Sunday from 7:45-8:30 a.m. and 9:45-10:30 a.m. We will plan for this to be in the Fellowship Hall, but if the weather is nice, we will encourage fellowship outdoors.

SCHOOL GEOGRAPHY BEE:

Congratulations to St. John's Lutheran School Geography Bee winners: First Place- Summer Luttmann (8th grade); Second Place- Eva Kinney (8th Grade); and Third Place- Addalyn Schloemann (5th grade).

ALTAR GUILD GATHERING:

Altar Guild members will meet on Tuesday, March 30th at 6 p.m. in the church sanctuary to practice for our Maundy Thursday stripping of the altar.

DIVINE CALL EXTENDED:

In our Voters meeting on January 24 the proposal to enter into a dual parish arrangement with St. John in Baldwin for the purpose of calling a Split-time Pastor who will serve us as an Associate Pastor and serve the Baldwin congregation as its Sole Pastor was approved. We will extend this call for a spring placement seminary graduate. For us this would replace our arrangement with Rev. Clifford Adair as our part-time Assistant to the Pastor.

RURAL KING CHURCH WEEK:

Rural King (Waterloo) is supporting Christian organizations by donating 10% of each valid Rural King receipt total after sales tax to the registered organization chosen by the customer. St. John's is registered! From March 14-27 customers can upload their Rural King receipts to

www.ruralking.com/churchweek and 10% of their receipt total after sales tax will go to the registered Christian organization of their choice. Instructions: • Go to or click on this link: <https://www.ruralking.com/churchweek> • Under Church Week Heading, click on Search or Organization Search • Select State: • Select City: • Select: St. John's Lutheran (You should now see a picture of our church) • There should be a link for you to upload your receipt. • All receipts dated March 14-27 must be uploaded by April 1 (no foolin'!). All donations will be provided by our local Rural King. All Rural King stores are participating. Please share with your friends and say "Thank you" to Rural King management and associates when you shop.

CHRISTIAN MUSIC CDs AVAILABLE:

+St. John's member Joan Voges offers music CDs from her Lilyfields Collection to us for a donation to our school's ministry. You can pick up copies from the table in the entryway.

+Former St. John's member Bryan Perdue has a new CD of music available called, "Freely Given Freely Received." This, plus a few of his earlier CDs also are available on the table in the entryway for a \$10 donation to our congregation's debt reduction.

THE PRAYER CHAIN:

Vickie Heller is our Prayer Chain Coordinator. If you would like to serve in the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please contact her at 618/521-7417 or dvheller@htc.net. Call our office if you would like to add someone to our worship prayers. *Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective* (James 5:16).

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Red Bud Care Center: David Burgdorf, Wilma Wagner, Jody Winkelmann; Waterloo Garden Place- Alice Smith; Ruma R&R- Fern Schnepel, Willard Uffelmann; Waterloo Magnolia Terrace- June Lawrence; Cedarhurst Memory Care, Waterloo- Cecelia Lautenschlaeger

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT RED BUD GARDEN PLACE:

Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Doris Mueller, Vernon and Evelyn Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Dr. Paul Schrieber, Elda Seders, Gloria Stellhorn, Wilma Stellhorn, Norma Vogt, Arlin and Helen Winkelman

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Kathryn Chunn, Larry Ebers, Don and Betty Fausz, Willie Guebert, Nancy Holmstrom, Kenneth and Geri Koester, Donald Kueker, Omer and Neva Liefer, Orville Liefer, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttman, Jean Menke, Edna Moeller.

LIONS BBQ AND LUTHERANS FOR LIFE BAKE SALE:

This Sunday our Red Bud Lions Club is holding a "Spring for Life" BBQ in our school parking lot from 11 a.m. to ??? (carryouts only) to support our local Life Network of Southern Illinois. Southwestern Illinois Lutherans for Life is holding a Bake Sale along with this barbeque.

ELDER ZONES FOR 2021: (Chairman, Eric Fritsche)

Zone 1: D. Adams thru R. Collins- Elder Eric Fritsche (618/410-5989)

Zone 2: S. Conboy thru D/K Grohmann- Elder Larry Gielow (618/830-4689)

Zone 3: N/E Grohmann thru R/K Herriman- Elder Jacob Arbeiter (618/615-1108)

Zone 4: R. Herriman thru T/E Krick- Elder Adam Guebert (618/920-2403)

Zone 5: Wil/Martha Krick thru Janel Maes- Elder David Reinhardt (618/967-7967)

Zone 6: Pat Malik thru Lanie Pensoneau- Elder Gerald Hanebutt (618/317-4574)

Zone 7: A/A Piel thru Don Schrader- Elder Mike DeRousse (618/719-7024)

Zone 8: J/D Schrader thru B/C Turner- Elder Kevin Guebert (618/973-4356)

Zone 9: D/K Uffelmann thru Doug Zschiegner- Elder Kirk Liefer (618/559-7950)

LCMS FOUNDATION:

Since all gifts in your life are really God's gifts, it is crucial to use advisors (legal, financial, tax)

who will respect that connection and help you to grace the people and ministries closest to your heart. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you formulate your gifting desires and the questions to discuss with your professional advisors so that they can help you. Contact Scott Radden at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org for more information.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

3/21- Virginia Moeller, Glen Muench, Terry Donjon, Emma McCarthy, Bryce Becker; 3/22- Kristine Neff, Emily Buatte, Samuel Wright, Loreli Aubuchon; 3/23 Kathryn Chunn, Stanley Langrehr, Kathleen Salger, John Hemmer, Marquita Tindall, Ken Wild, Jr., Alexandra Sullivan, Jarret Fleming; 3/24- Laurie Gunter, Jason Guebert, Kole Guebert, Oskar Driesner; 3/25- Mary Kueker, Larry Schleifer; 3/26- Mark Voss, Brad Stechmesser, Bruce Quinn Jr.; 3/27- Tyson Russell. *Please call the office for corrections!*

PARISH NURSE NOTE: from LCMS *Better Health*

People who are long-time consumers of berries, apples and tea – items that contain plant chemicals called flavonoids – are associated with a reduced risk for developing dementia. That is due to the flavonoids protecting brain cells, improving blood flow and reducing inflammation.

ISSUES, ETC.:

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: What I Wish My Non-Lutheran Family Members Knew about Absolution; Critical Race Theory; New Age Teachings & Practices; The Annunciation of Our Lord and more. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

KFUE AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

KFUE Radio, AM850 & kfu.org, a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on AM850 & kfu.org via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at kfu.org and wherever you get podcasts! Find us on social media @KFUE.org, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This week on KFUE and kfu.org study Mark 14 on

Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), dig into Colossians 1-3 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and worship in Midweek Lenten Service and organ recital on 3/24 at 11:00 a.m. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfu.org or wherever you get your podcasts.

LIFE THOUGHTS: (from *Lutherans for Life*) www.lutheransforlife.org

Servanthood supersedes success, says Jesus (Mark 10:42-45). And do not surprise pregnancies and terminal diagnoses provide irreplaceable opportunities to serve neighbors, whether loved ones or strangers? Our Savior suggests that coming alongside them in courage and compassion may be better than sitting in prominent places hereafter!

LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS:

Copies of a Daily Bible Reading Guide from LBT are in the entryway. The readings for this week are: March 21st- Psalm 9; March 22nd- Psalm 10; March 23rd- Psalm 11; March 24th- Psalm 12; March 25th- Psalm 13; March 26th- Psalm 16; March 27th- Psalm 31.

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL- 618-853-7300

Virtual Auction: We have started planning for an online auction to benefit *COS* in early May. If you are interested in helping or donating, please contact the office. Please bring item donations to school before April 15. We will not be actively soliciting donations from small businesses this year. You can start “window shopping” the auction online at coslhs.betterworld.org.

Band Instructor Wanted: Position available for part-time band instructor at *COS* starting in August 2021. Contact us for more details.

Registration for 2021-2022 is now open! If you have a student or know someone who will be high school age during the 2021-2022 school year, encourage them to consider Christ Our Savior Lutheran High school. Call 853-7300 to schedule a shadow day or a private tour. Learn more and download a registration form from our website, www.coslhs.org. Early registration ends March 31. The cost of attending *COS* can be offset by scholarships. Scholarships are available based on financial need as well as academics and service.

It is time to direct Thrivent Choice Dollars®

Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have been designated Choice Dollars have until March 31, 2021, to direct any remaining 2020 Choice Dollars. You can use those dollars to support Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School. Go to <http://www.Thrivent.com/thriventchoice> to learn more and find program terms and conditions. Or call 800-847-4836 and say “Thrivent Choice” after the prompt.

School Visitors: Please follow state COVID guidelines when visiting school.

The mission of Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School is to provide a Christ-centered and academically excellent education.



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Preschool – Cindy Steele

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Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer

Third Grade – Stephanie Valleroy

Fourth Grade – Cindy Nebel (Before/After School Care)

Fifth Grade – Darlene Letcher

Sixth Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom and Athletic Director (6th-8th) – Justin Palm

Resource Teacher – Lara Vause

Custodians – Wil Krick and Bob Schramm Cooks – Jill Gross and Marilyn Oettle

Day Care

Amanda Falkenhain, Director; Kellie Shields, Assistant Director; Lisa Quinn, Ashley Brittingham,
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Church Council

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Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher: Rev. Clifford Adair Sunday Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel

Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak Lector: (8 a.m.) Seminarian Wade Waterstreet

Greeters: (5 p.m.) Virginia and Mark Moeller

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Tori Muench; (8 a.m.) Bruce Quinn; (10:30 a.m.) Hailey Proctor

Video: Eric Fritsche Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

Flower Servers: Irma Birkner and Sharon Koester Paraments: Irma Birkner

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **Non-Communion Service continues here**

Lord remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray

**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.

Collect and Benediction

P: Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn and take them to heart that by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord look upon you with favor and give you (+) peace. **C: Amen.**

The Closing Hymn

The Postlude: “” *arranged by*

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