

Midweek Lent 6
March 25, 2026

St. John's Lutheran Church
Red Bud, Illinois

THEME OF THE DAY: A good pilot knows how to get people safely through the storm and all the way home. This is true for Job. And all the more so, it is true for us!

(6:20 p.m.) **HYMN REQUEST:**

Congregational requests, sing 1-2 verses

PRELUDE:

(8:30 a.m.) "Lamb of God" & "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" 7th Grade Chimes

(6:30 p.m.) "Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing" arranged by Kevin Hildebrand

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN:

"Jesus, Refuge of the Weary" (LSB 423, vs. 1-2)



1 Je - sus, ref - uge of the wea - ry, Blest Re - deem - er,
2 Do we pass that cross un - heed - ing, Breath - ing no re -



whom we love, Foun - tain in life's des - ert drea - ry, Sav - ior
pen - tant vow, Though we see You wound - ed, bleed - ing, See Your



from the world a - bove: Of - ten have Your eyes, of - fend - ed,
thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Yet Your sin - less death has brought us



Gazed up - on the sin - ner's fall; Yet up - on the
Life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest; On - ly what Your



cross ex - tend - ed, You have borne the pain of all.
grace has taught us Calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.

INVOCATION:

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

C: Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

(Based upon Job 19:23-27)

L: Oh, that my words were recorded, that they were written on a scroll.

C: That they were inscribed with an iron tool on lead, or engraved in rock forever!

L: I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth.

C: **And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God.**

L: I myself will see him with my own eyes, I, and not another. How my heart yearns within me!

ALL: I know that my Redeemer lives!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

P: God of thundering glory and wondrous love.

C: **You laid the earth's foundation.**

P: You marked off its dimensions.

C: **You laid its cornerstone.**

P: You shut the sea behind doors.

C: **And so to you we lay bare the thoughts and desires of our hearts.**

P: We have sinfully insisted that we are in control.

C: **We are bound to fatal attractions that lead us to think that we are in charge.**

P: From the midst of our storm hear our broken cries.

C: **For we have no other hope.**

P: The God who is with Job in his storm is the same God who in Christ joins you in your storm. Jesus died on a cross, bled for your sins and hung forsaken by his Father. Because of Jesus you are cleansed, healed, forgiven and made new.

ALL: I know that my Redeemer lives!

HYMN:

“Jesus, Refuge of the Weary” (LSB 423, vs. 3)



3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing With more fer - vent
love for You; May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing To be -
hold Your cross a - new Till in glo - ry, part - ed nev - er
From the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, Grav - en in our
hearts for - ev - er, Dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. God of magnificent power and might, just as you spoke to Job in the storm, speak now in our storms so that we have courage for the living of these days; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

**TODAY’S SCRIPTURE LESSONS REFLECT THE THEME
OF GOD SPEAKING IN THE STORM**

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Job 38:1–11

P: ¹Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind and said: ²“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? ³Dress for action like a man; I will question you, and you make it known to me. ⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. ⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? ⁶On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, ⁷when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? ⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, ⁹when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, ¹⁰and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, ¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed’?”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE:

2 Corinthians 6:1-10

P: ¹Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ²For he says, “In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you.” Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. ³We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; ⁷by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL:

Luke 8:22–25

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 8th chapter. **C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

²²One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, “Let us go across to the other side of the lake.” So they set out, ²³and as they sailed he fell asleep. And a windstorm came down on the lake, and they were filling with water and were in danger. ²⁴And they went and woke him, saying, “Master, Master, we are perishing!” And he awoke and rebuked the wind and the raging waves, and they ceased, and there was a calm. ²⁵He said to them, “Where is your faith?” And they were afraid, and they marveled, saying to one another, “Who then is this, that he commands even winds and water, and they obey him?”

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

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH:

Apostles’ Creed (back of hymnal)

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.

SERMON:

The Sixth Part in the Series

“Job: Blessed be the Name of the Lord!”

A Good Pilot (Job 38:1–11)

A good _____ knows how to get _____ safely through the storm.

Job wants an _____. God gives a _____.

“Then the LORD _____ Job _____ the storm.” (Job 38:1)

Outline of Job 38–41

God’s *control* over the _____ (Job 38)

God’s *control* over _____ (Job 39)

God’s *control* over _____ and _____ (Job 40–41)

OFFERTORY:

“Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens” (LSB 589, vs. 1-3)



1 Speak, O Lord, Your ser - vant lis - tens, Let Your Word to
2 Oh, what bless - ing to be near You And to lis - ten
3 Lord, Your words are wa - ters liv - ing When my thirst - ing



me come near; New - born life and spir - it give me,
to Your voice; Let me ev - er love and hear You,
spir - it pleads. Lord, Your words are bread life - giv - ing;



Let each prom - ise still my fear. Death's dread pow'r, its in - ward
Let Your Word be now my choice! Man - y hard - ened sin - ners,
On Your words my spir - it feeds. Lord, Your words will be my



strife, Wars a - gainst Your Word of life; Fill me, Lord, with
Lord, Flee in ter - ror at Your Word; But to all who
light Through death's cold and drea - ry night; Yes, they are my



love's strong fer - vor That I cling to You for - ev - er!
feel sin's bur - den You give words of peace and par - don.
sword pre - vail - ing And my cup of joy un - fail - ing!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

L: Father, you inhabit eternity.

C: The heavens declare your glory and the earth announces your beauty.

L: Your presence fills the universe and yet in Christ you come to us with compassion and mercy.

C: Help us find light in our darkness.

L: Joy in our sorrow.

C: Healing in our sickness.

L: And your great grace that covers a multitude of our sins.

C: We surrender control to you.

L: Trusting that you will get us safely through the storm and all the way home.

LORD’S PRAYER:

ALL: 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.

L: Dear Father, hold us tight in your fierce love, a love that gives sense to all our days, and hope to all our years. We pray in Christ’s holy name.

ALL: Amen.

HYMN:

“Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens” (LSB 589, vs. 4)

4 As I pray, dear Je - sus, hear me; Let Your words in
me take root. May Your Spir - it e'er be near me
That I bear a - bun - dant fruit. May I dai - ly sing Your
praise, From my heart glad an - thems raise, Till my high - est
praise is giv - en In the end - less joy of heav - en.

BENEDICTION:

(Based upon Job 1:21)

L: The LORD gives.

C: **And the LORD takes away.**

L: Blessed be the name of the LORD.

C: **Yes, blessed be the name of the LORD!**

L: And so we go forth confidently in the name of our LORD.

C: **The Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

ALL: Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

“Abide with Me” (LSB 878, vs. 1 & 6)



1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.
6 Hold Thou Thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.



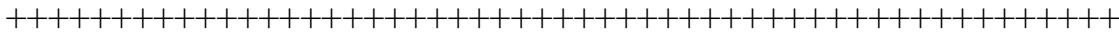
When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
Heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;



Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
In life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

SILENT PRAYER: “*Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens! Amen*”

POSTLUDE: “*Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens*” *arranged by David Christiansen*



Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: Pastor Mark Winkelman

Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

Acolyte: (8:30 a.m.) Bryson Williams; (6:30 p.m.) Cassidy Palm

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