

I Came to Serve and to Give

- Mark 10:45 NLT -



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Fifth Sunday in Lent
(March 21st, 2021)

"The Lord's Supper: If you are visiting with us here or have not been instructed in the unique Lutheran teaching regarding the Lord's Supper, we kindly ask you to speak to the Pastor before communing. Thank you."

† DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE †

Greeting and announcements

Opening Hymn "Why Should Cross and trial Grieve Me" LSB 756 vv. 1-3

- 1 Why should cross and trial grieve me?
 Christ is near
 With His cheer;
 Never will He leave me.
 Who can rob me of the heaven
 That God's Son
 For me won
 When His life was given?
- 2 When life's troubles rise to meet me,
 Though their weight
 May be great,
 They will not defeat me.
 God, my loving Savior, sends them;
 He who knows
 All my woes
 Knows how best to end them.
- 3 God gives me my days of gladness,
 And I will
 Trust Him still
 When He sends me sadness.
 God is good; His love attends me
 Day by day,
 Come what may,
 Guides me and defends me.

Confession and Absolution

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

- 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.

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †

Psalm

Psalm 119:9-16; antiphon: v. 19

- ⁹How can a young man keep his way pure?
By guarding it according to your word.
¹⁰**With my whole heart I seek you;
let me not wander from your commandments!**
¹¹I have stored up your word in my heart,
that I might not sin against you.
¹²**Blessèd are you, O LORD;**

teach me your statutes!

¹³With my lips I declare
all the just decrees of your mouth.

¹⁴**In the way of your testimonies I delight
as much as in all riches.**

¹⁵I will meditate on your precepts
and fix my eyes on your ways.

¹⁶**I will delight in your statutes;
I will not forget your word.**

**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

¹⁰With my whole heart I seek you;
let me not wander from your commandments!

Kyrie

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**C Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

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.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹“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, ³²not 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. ³³But 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. ³⁴And 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.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Hebrews 5:1-10

¹Every 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. ²He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness.

³Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. ⁴And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So 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”;

⁶as he says also in another place,

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

⁷In 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. ⁸Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

Mark 10:32-45

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

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

³²And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, ³³saying, “See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. ³⁴And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise.”

³⁵And 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.” ³⁶And he said to them, “What do you want me to do for you?” ³⁷And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸Jesus 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?”
³⁹And 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, ⁴⁰but 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.” ⁴¹And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴²And 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. ⁴³But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For 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 be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

Children's Message

Kids Talk (10:30am)

Sermon Hymn "Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way"

LSB 857 vv. 1-3

- 1 Lord, help us walk Your servant way
Wherever love may lead
And, bending low, forgetting self,
Each serve the other's need.
- 2 You came to earth, O Christ, as Lord,
But pow'r You laid aside.
You lived Your years in servanthood;
In lowliness You died.
- 3 No golden scepter but a towel
You place within the hands
Of those who seek to follow You
And live by Your commands.

Sermon "Serve World"

Mark 10:45

Offertory

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- C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

Offering

† SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT †

Preface

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- P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spirit.
P Lift up your hearts.**

C We lift them up unto the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

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**C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.**

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

**Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of
the Lord.**

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Lord's Prayer

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**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.**

The Words of Our Lord

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Pax Domini

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

- C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Distribution

Distribution Hymn "God Loves Me Dearly"

LSB 392

- 1 God loves me dearly,
 Grants me salvation,
 God loves me dearly,
 Loves even me. Refrain
- ref Therefore I'll say again:
 God loves me dearly,
 God loves me dearly,
 Loves even me.
- 2 I was in slav'ry,
 Sin, death, and darkness;
 God's love was working
 To make me free. Refrain
- 3 He sent forth Jesus,
 My dear Redeemer,
 He sent forth Jesus
 And set me free. Refrain
- 4 Jesus, my Savior,
 Himself did offer;
 Jesus, my Savior,
 Paid all I owed. Refrain
- 5 Now I will praise You,
 O Love Eternal;
 Now I will praise You
 All my life long. Refrain

"What Wondrous Love Is this"

LSB 543

- 1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
 What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
 What wondrous love is this
 That caused the Lord of bliss

- To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!
- 2 When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down
Beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.
- 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb,
Who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.
- 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free,
I'll sing His love for me,
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And through eternity I'll sing on.

Communion Blessing

Nunc Dimittis

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- C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen.**

Thanksgiving

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- P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth forever.**
- 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 The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus

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P Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.

C Amen, amen, amen.

Closing Hymn “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”

LSB 685

- 1 Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow His example pure,
Through a world that would deceive us
And to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in His footsteps treading,
Pilgrims here, our home above,
Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do the Father’s bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide;
I shall follow where You guide.
- 2 Let us suffer here with Jesus
And with patience bear our cross.
Joy will follow all our sadness;
Where He is, there is no loss.
Though today we sow no laughter,
We shall reap celestial joy;
All discomforts that annoy
Shall give way to mirth hereafter.
Jesus, here I share Your woe;
Help me there Your joy to know.
- 3 Let us gladly die with Jesus.
Since by death He conquered death,
He will free us from destruction,
Give to us immortal breath.
Let us mortify all passion

That would lead us into sin;
And the grave that shuts us in
Shall but prove the gate to heaven.
Jesus, here with You I die,
There to live with You on high.

- 4 Let us also live with Jesus.
He has risen from the dead
That to life we may awaken.
Jesus, You are now our head.
We are Your own living members;
Where You live, there we shall be
In Your presence constantly,
Living there with You forever.
Jesus, let me faithful be,
Life eternal grant to me.

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**The Worship Service Sunday Morning
March 21st, 2021**

Preacher	Rev. Joshua Schmidt	
Liturgist	Rev. Michael Redeker	
Elders	Boyd Arnold, Peter Chaney John McDowell, Billy Diaz	8:00am 10:30am
Organist	Marilyn Smith	
Acolyte	Cal Diedrich, Elle Diedrich Jonas Ashcraft	8:00am 10:30am
Ushers	Ron Sawyer, Allen Weber Brian O'Connor, John Feliciano	8:00am 10:30am
Videographer	Jeremy Skoog	8:00am

These next few months are going to be tough for everyone.

But, we will get through it together by the grace of God.

**If you or someone you know is in Spiritual,
Physical, or any other need:**

We are here for you.

Pastor Redeker: (314) 608-5538

Pastor Schmidt: (314) 261-3180

Announcements March 21st, 2021

URGENT-we still need lots of help with Communion Clean up.

We are also in need of a **CO-Chairman for the Altar guild.**

Please consider these as a **GREAT** way to serve your church and Lord.

If you need training or information, please contact Laura Ryden (970) 260-6766 cell

GREETER- GETTING BACK TO NORMAL! AT LEAST TRYING TO.

Want to get to know your Messiah family, sign up to be a greeter. The "NEW" sign-up sheet is now on the bulletin board in the Narthex next to the Communion Help signup sheet. We need greeters for March 2021.

LENT SERVICES: Wednesday at 7pm March 24th- "Bearing Fruits"

HOLY WEEK SERMON SERIES- Now that we know that we are "broken," but Christ makes us "OK," we continue the Journey of Lent ending in Holy Week to discover the "Places of the Passion:"

As we march towards the cross and the empty tomb, we see Jesus travel through the Holy Land, listening to Him teach, witnessing miracles, and discovering how our Savior fulfills the prophecies of the Old Testament. These meditations for Holy Week are inspired by theology professor Reed Lessing, to help us follow Christ with an eye toward the places of the Passion where He suffers, dies, and rises again for our salvation. Every place that Jesus goes along His path hints at His ultimate mission to take your place for

redemption so that you might have a place in heaven with Him forever.

Palm Sunday March 28th at 8:00am & 10:30am: Bethphage

Maundy Thursday April 1st at 5:30pm with first communion & 7:00pm: The Upper Room

Good Friday April 2nd 12:30pm & 7:00pm: Golgotha

Easter Sunday April 4th 6:00am & 10:30am: The Garden Tomb

SPRING CLEAN UP- Many hands are needed to help spring clean our Church building and yard will be needed Saturday, March 27, we will begin at 9:00am to trim and clean our building and grounds in preparation for Easter. If you have any questions call Eric Skoog at 970-462-8388.

ATTENTION: Jr. High Youth (grades 5-8) Parents: Here is the information for the March Youth Event: The Diaz family will be hosting today, March 21st. The kids will meet for a hike at Palisade Rim. Drop your kids off there at 1:00 pm and pick them up at the same location at 3:00 pm.

They should wear shoes for hiking, bring a water bottle, granola bar and their smiling faces to enjoy a fun time together outside! Don't forget to bring your mask!!

Here is the cell number for Cheyenne Diaz in case you have any questions regarding drop off and pick up: 949-232-3782.

WANTED!!! Aunts, uncles, grandmas, grandpas, moms, dads, friends, and neighbors--the Board of Evangelism

Committee needs your help. We would love to be in contact with our former Messiah Students but need their contact information: names, addresses, phone numbers, and class/year. We are trying to accomplish this by Easter.

Thank you so much for your help.

Please send information to:

boemessiah2021@gmail.com.

Questions: Call Beth at 970-361-0794, Lynn at 970-234-2323, or Arliss 970-270-3517

40 DAYS FOR LIFE- *40 Days for Life is a time of prayer and fasting to end abortion around the world.* Beit

Lechem has asked Messiah to partner with them by praying over the

“Women’s Health Care of Western Colorado” on Tuesdays during Lent.

This would be from February 17th to March 28th. Please, pray daily for this cause and sign up to pray in person at:

<https://www.40daysforlife.com/fruita>

Daily devotionals may be found on their website:

<https://www.40daysforlife.com/resources-devotionals.aspx> For more

information, contact Wanda Brock at (970) 216-6364

GIFT PLANNING- 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 Messiah 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 Jason Jones at Jason.Jones@lfnd.org or call him directly at (970) 988-0305.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS- 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.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS- Thrivent members do not forget to direct your Choice Dollars® to the church general fund or to the school scholarship fund. You have two easy options to direct your Choice Dollars: Online at www.thrivent.com or by calling 800-847-4836

MESSIAH’S RADIO MINISTRY-Sunday mornings at 8:30am -9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station. If you would like to be a sponsor for this ministry contact the church office, 970-245-2838. This is followed by Lutheran Hour at 9:00am.

March Income:

Week of March 11-17	\$24,334.43
Weekly need	\$22,917.69
Month to date	\$42,496.39
Monthly need	\$83,451.37

Calendar for the Week

Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Facebook Live
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion
Monday	-----	NO SCHOOL
	9:15am	Office Staff Meeting
Tuesday	-----	NO SCHOOL
	9:00am	Quilt Ladies/Fellowship Hall
	5:30pm	Senior High
Wednesday	-----	NO SCHOOL
	8:00am	Weekly Bulletin Announcement deadline
	8:30am	No Chapel
	11:00am	Wednesday Bible Class/Isaiah/Zoom
	7:00pm	Lent Service
Thursday	-----	NO SCHOOL
	6:30pm	Online Bible Study
Friday	-----	NO SCHOOL
	-----	Pastor Redeker's Day Off
	-----	Pastor Schmidt's Day Off
Saturday	9:00am	Spring Clean Up
Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Facebook Live/BRP
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion

Please remember to let the office know of any changes of individuals that you have placed on the Prayer List.