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Lutheran Church and School of Messiah

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Second Sunday in Lent
(March 13th, 2022)

The Lord's Supper: If you are visiting with us 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 FOUR †

Greeting and announcements

Sharing of God's Peace

Opening Hymn "Jerusalem My Happy Home"

LSB 673

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 Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition.

Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

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

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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 4; antiphon: v. 8

- ¹Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!
You have given me relief when I was in distress.
Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!
- ²**O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame?
How long will you love vain words and seek after lies?**
- ³But know that the LORD has set apart the godly for himself;
the LORD hears when I call to him.
- ⁴**Be angry, and do not sin;
ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent.**
- ⁵Offer right sacrifices,
and put your trust in the LORD.
- ⁶**There are many who say, “Who will show us some good?
Lift up the light of your face upon us, O LORD!”**
- ⁷You have put more joy in my heart
than they have when their grain and wine abound.
- ⁸**In peace I will both lie down and sleep;
for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.**
- 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**
- ⁸In peace I will both lie down and sleep;
for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.

Kyrie

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- C Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also 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 Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 26:8-15

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.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Philippians 3:17–4:1

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.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

Luke 13:31-35

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

C Glory 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.

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,

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

Agnus Dei

P 210

- C 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
- 2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution

Distribution Hymn	“The Infant Priest”	LSB 624
	“Eagle’s Wings/You Who Dwell”	LSB 727
	“Your Table I Approach”	LSB 628

Nunc Dimittis

P 211

- C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav’nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.
- 2 All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,

**All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.**

Post-Communion Collect

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.

Benedicamus

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P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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.

Closing Hymn

“I'm But a Stranger Here”

LSB 748

**The Worship Service Sunday Morning
9:00am, March 13th, 2022**

Preacher	Rev. Michael Redeker
Organist	David Fenske
Acolyte	Jonas Ashcraft, Marek Ashcraft
Elders	Ray Seeley, Duane Lofton
Ushers	Allen Weber, Ron Sawyer, Peter Chaney, Art Peterson
Greeters	Beth Weber
Videographer	Chris Hayes

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Calendar for the Week of March 13, 2022

Sunday	9:00am	Facebook Live
	10:30am	Bible Study-Revelation/Sunday School/Facebook Live
	7:15pm	The Grape Vine Bible Study (formerly 3 rd Sunday) Multi-purpose Room
Monday	1:30pm	Office Staff Meeting
	3:15pm	School Staff Meeting
	9:30am	John Oien visitation
	10:00am	John Oien funeral
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilt Ladies/Fellowship Hall
	1:00pm	Ruth Circle
	3:30pm	Assessment Meeting (Pastoral Assistance - Call Committee) MPR
	4:00pm	Junior High Youth
	5:30pm	Senior High Youth
	7:00pm	Lydia Circle (Carolyn Baker 970-434-1524)
Wednesday	8:00am	WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE
	8:30am	School Chapel
	9:30am	Wednesday Bible Class/Leviticus/Zoom
	5:15pm	Soup Supper
	7:00pm	Lenten service/No Communion
Thursday	10:30am	Bible Study - Lynn Jolley (Library)
	1:00pm	Dorcas Circle (library-no lunch)
	6:30pm	Pastor Redeker's Online Bible Class-Leviticus
Friday	-----	Pastor Redeker's Day Off
	8:00am	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
	11:30am	Lunch Bunch (Chick-fil-a)
	7:00pm	March Youth Event (Ice Skating)
Saturday	9:00am	Budget Meeting
Sunday	9:00am	Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live
	10:30am	Bible Study-Revelation/Sunday School/Facebook Live

Announcements

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ON MARCH 27TH DURING BIBLE STUDY - Need to start Call Process for possible DCE, Deacon or Pastor.

LUNCH BUNCH - Friday, March 18th at 11:30am there will be Lunch Bunch. You have the option to purchase a Chick-fil-A sack lunch for \$7.00. Pay in the office no later than 3:15 on Wednesday, March 16th.

ATTENTION: All Jr. High Youth grades 5-8 you are invited to attend the March Youth Event hosted by the Krizman family. It's time to go ICE SKATING! ❄️

When: Friday, March 18th, **Time:** 7:00 pm-9:00 pm **Where:** Rivercity Sportsplex, 2515 Riverside Parkway. **Cost:** Free for Jr. Hi Youth grades 5-8. You will need to bring long socks, jacket, gloves and a hat if desired. Also, if you want any snacks, you need your own money. Here is a contact number for Mark and Stacy for questions 970-208-2345.

LYDIA CIRCLE: Meeting on March 15th at 474 Grand Valley Drive at 7:00pm for Bible study and fellowship. Any questions contact Carolyn Baker (970) 434-1524.

MESSIAH LUTHERAN SCHOOL MERCH POP UP SHOP - Help support our school by visiting the west entrance and check out our Merch! Samples and an order sheet are available.

FLOWERS - For this week remembering Lavina Schultz's birthday!

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM- We are once again fundraising to add monies for our Scholarship Program. If you would like to donate, please write "scholarship" on the memo line on paper or online check. Thank you!

SPANISH TEACHER NEEDED FOR THE NEXT YEAR - We are in need of a Spanish teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. If you know of a Christian who would be able to teach 10 hours a week in the afternoons, please have them contact Karen Mead. Please keep your ear to the ground and help us discover who God has set aside for us.

RECRUITING FOR MESSIAH LUTHERAN SCHOOL - It is word of mouth that brings in new students more than any other marketing tool. Please encourage families both inside and outside of our church to attend our school for an academically challenging Christian education. See our ad in Mesa Mall near Cabela's.

UNDERSTANDING OUR BELIEF: Every Tuesday, at 6:00pm, Mr. Scott Mauser hosts a class on apologetics, discussing how to share what we believe in truth, love, gentleness and respect. These classes are over at the Alpha and Omega Institute, 1011 N 10th St, Grand Junction, CO 81501. Hope you can make it!

COMMUNION VOLUNTEERS needed for 2022! Please consider serving our Lord and your church by volunteering to help with communion. Sign up in the narthex on the bulletin board. If you need to be trained or have questions, please contact Laura Ryden at (970) 260-6766.

PRAYER REQUESTS- *"But when you pray, go to into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you," (Matt. 6:6).* Prayer requests for you, family with permission, or by a pastor, may be sent to Beth Weber at weber4342@acsol.net.

GIFT PLANNING- Life changes. So also, your gift plan as part of your estate plan needs to change as well. Years ago, you created a planned gift for ministry, to support a congregation you were a part of. Now, you have moved halfway across the country. That ministry no longer exists, yet your financial plans still point to support of it. Your Messiah Gift Planning Counselor can help you identify the gifts found in your plan and assist you in considering whether they match your current wishes. Contact Jason Jones at Jason.Jones@lfnf.org or call him directly at (970) 988-0305.

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

THRIVENT CARDS- THANK YOU to those who donated! Soup Suppers are taken care of.

- March 16th - National Youth Gathering
- March 23rd - LWML
- March 30th - Girls on The Run
- April 6th - Church Camp

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

February Income-

Week of March 2 nd -8 th	\$27,452.42
Weekly need	\$20,411.00
Month to date	\$27,452.42
Monthly need	\$81,642.00

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OUR CHURCH IS DOING A NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY! - We want everyone to get a new picture made so that our new directory will be complete. IT WON'T BE COMPLETE WITHOUT YOU! You can make your appointment at church by contacting Beth Weber.

CHRISTIAN CHALLENGE:

Christian Challenge is a campus ministry whose goal is to prepare the way for the King on the CMU campus. We meet Thursday nights in Dominguez Hall, room 214, for dinner at 6:00pm, followed by Bible study/discussion. All college students and college age people are welcome! If you have any questions you can contact Chris Hayes!

Phone: (970)985-5660, email: cjhayes@mavs.colorado.edu

MEXICAN MISSION TRIP:

From March 19th to the 25th, Christian Challenge, a campus ministry group, is going on a mission trip to Juarez, Mexico to assist in the reconstruction of a Christian school where a fire did severe damage to its second floor. The trip costs \$350 per student and that cost covers food for the trip, travel, and materials needed for the project. The funds are needed by March 11th! Donations and prayers would be greatly appreciated to help these college students experience what mission work can be, as well as show the love of Christ to those affected by the fire!

3RD SUNDAY SERVICE: Is becoming the Grape Vine Bible study! We are moving to the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month @7:15pm in the Multi-Purpose Room. This will be a small group Bible study with prayer and music. All are WELCOME!

UPCOMING EVENTS

SOUP SUPPERS ON WEDNESDAYS DURING LENT

MARCH 27TH - Campus Ministry - Potato Bar @Four Winds

APRIL 3RD - Unity Sunday Potluck @11:30am

EASTER SUNDAY - Sunrise Easter Service 6:00am with Easter Breakfast to follow.
Easter Service 9:00am.

UPDATES TO ANY OF THE CURRENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER LIST IS MUCH APPRECIATED. QUESTIONS, CONTACT OFFICE.

2nd Sunday in Lent

Psalm 4:6-8



Speak Well of THEM?

We learn from the 8th Commandment You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor, that we are supposed to speak well of others and defend others' reputations.

How was that working out for Jeremiah in today's Old Testament reading? Of what were people accusing him?

When this happens to us, what would be our natural tendency?

The Psalmist cries out to the LORD to give him more space because he's feeling hemmed in by his enemies. Does he seek revenge, or something else?

In our today's culture, everyone gets categorized, compartmentalized, and reductionalized into groups, identities, and everything else that it's easy to lose who and Whose we really are. We belong to Jesus! How does this identity affect the Christian?