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fervent in
PRAYER**



**more
generous
in works of
CHARITY**



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MYSTERIES
by which we
are reborn**

"Preaching and teaching the truth to His expanding kingdom, reaching out to all!"

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Third Sunday in Lent
(March 20th, 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 THREE †

Greeting and announcements

Sharing of God's Peace

Opening Hymn "Jesus, Refuge of the Weary"

LSB 423

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 85; antiphon: v. 8

- ¹LORD, you were favorable to your land;
you restored the fortunes of Jacob.
- ²You forgave the iniquity of your people;
you covered all their sin.
- ³You withdrew all your wrath;
you turned from your hot anger.
- ⁴Restore us again, O God of our salvation,
and put away your indignation toward us!
- ⁵Will you be angry with us forever?
Will you prolong your anger to all generations?
- ⁶Will you not revive us again,
that your people may rejoice in you?
- ⁷Show us your steadfast love, O LORD,
and grant us your salvation.
- ⁸Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints;
but let them not turn back to folly.
- ⁹Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him,
that glory may dwell in our land.
- ¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;
righteousness and peace kiss each other.
- ¹¹Faithfulness springs up from the ground,
and righteousness looks down from the sky.
- ¹²Yes, the LORD will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.
- ¹³Righteousness will go before him
and make his footsteps a way.
- 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
- ⁸Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints;
but let them not turn back to folly.

Kyrie

P 186

- 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.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; 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

Ezekiel 33:7-20

⁷“So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

¹⁰“And you, son of man, say to the house of Israel, Thus have you said: ‘Surely our transgressions and our sins are upon us, and we rot away because of them. How then can we live?’ ¹¹Say to them, As I live, declares the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

¹²“And you, son of man, say to your people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him when he transgresses, and as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall by it when he turns from his wickedness, and the righteous shall not be able to live by his righteousness when he sins.

¹³Though I say to the righteous that he shall surely live, yet if he trusts in his righteousness and does injustice, none of his righteous deeds shall be remembered, but in his injustice that he has done he shall die. ¹⁴Again, though I say to the wicked, ‘You shall surely die,’ yet if he turns from his sin and does what is just and right, ¹⁵if the wicked restores the pledge, gives back what he has taken by robbery, and walks in the statutes of life, not doing injustice, he shall surely live; he shall not die. ¹⁶None of the sins that he has committed shall be remembered against him. He has done what is just and right; he shall surely live.

¹⁷“Yet your people say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just,’ when it is their own way that is not just. ¹⁸When the righteous turns from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it. ¹⁹And when the wicked turns from his wickedness and does what is just and right, he shall live by them. ²⁰Yet you say, ‘The way

of the Lord is not just.' O house of Israel, I will judge each of you according to his ways."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

¹I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ²and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

⁶Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play." ⁸We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, ¹⁰nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. ¹¹Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. ¹²Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. ¹³No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

Luke 13:1-9

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

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹There were some present at that very time who told [Jesus] about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. ²And he answered them, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? ³No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. ⁴Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? ⁵No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish."

⁶And he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. ⁷And he said to the vinedresser,

'Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?' ⁸And he answered him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. ⁹Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

C 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

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn "My God Bestow on Us His Grace"

LSB 824

Sermon

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.

Offering

Prayer of the Church

† 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 on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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

LSB 197

Pax Domini

LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

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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

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

LSB 809

“Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face”

LSB 631

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

P 200

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 “Lead Me, Guide Me Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me” LSB 721

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The Worship Service Sunday Morning
9:00am, March 20th, 2022

Preacher	Rev. Michael Redeker
Organist	Marilyn Smith
Acolyte	Jonas Ashcraft, Marek Ashcraft
Elders	John O'Connor, Billy Diaz
Ushers	Allen Weber, Ron Sawyer, Peter Chaney, Art Peterson
Greeters	Beth Weber
Videographer	Jeremy Skoog

Calendar for the Week of March 21, 2022

Sunday	9:00am	Facebook Live
	10:30am	Bible Study-Revelation/Sunday School/Facebook Live
Monday	1:30pm	Office Staff Meeting
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilt Ladies/Fellowship Hall
	1:00pm	Ruth Circle
	7:00pm	Lydia Circle (Carolyn Baker 970-434-1524)
Wednesday	8:00am	WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE
	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	Handbells
	6:30pm	Pastor Redeker's Online Bible Class-Leviticus
Friday	-----	Pastor Redeker's Day Off
	8:00am	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
	10:00am	Helen Schultz Funeral
Saturday	-----	-----
Sunday	9:00am	Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live
	10:30am	Bible Study-Revelation/Sunday School/Facebook Live
	10:30am	Congregational Meeting
	7:15pm	The Grape vine Bible Study (MPR)

Announcements

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

EASTER CARDS ARE HERE! - Cards are available in the LWML Cart down in Fellowship Hall. They are \$5/box (no individual sales). Any questions contact Romaine (970) 216-4295.

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 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@lfnd.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 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 9 th - 15 th	\$22,661.88
Weekly need	\$20,411.00
Month to date	\$22,661.88
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 taken so that our new directory will be complete. **IT WON'T BE COMPLETE WITHOUT YOU!** You can make your appointment at church (times are limited) by contacting Beth Weber @ church office (970)245-2838. During the photo shoot, greeters are needed!

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

POTATO BAR THANKS- Thank you to all who donated and participated in the successful Potato Bar which served 42 students from CMU at Four Winds on 2/27/22. We will be serving the Potato Bar again on 3/27/2022. Due to the successful donations from the first meal, we only need a few items, there will be a sign-up sheet in the main lobby. Michelle Marie is the contact again, please let her know if you wish to assist again. We will be serving one more meal this school year, Sunday May 1st. Watch for updates and sign up coming soon, as we will be selecting another hot meal and dessert menu.

THE PREGNANCY CENTER - Current needs are winter onesies newborn through 12 months boys and girls (not white). Also needed are unscented baby wipes, size 5 diapers, and quart size Ziplock bags.

BIRTHRIGHT - Birthright is happy to announce that two of their moms are no longer in need of our food assistance. We are still helping one mom plus two new moms. Current needs are spaghetti sauce, Fruit Loops, macaroni and cheese, size 3 diapers, and Pampers only (due to allergies) size 2. Thank you for your continued support. Any questions please contact Jackie (970) 245-1596.

3RD SUNDAY SERVICE: Is now 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. We will be using the book "The Ragamuffin Gospel" by Brennan Manning. You may want to purchase it. All are WELCOME!

UPCOMING EVENTS

SOUP SUPPERS ON WEDNESDAYS DURING LENT

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

APRIL 6TH - "It's About the Cross" Middle School Easter Pageant

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 ARE MUCH
APPRECIATED. QUESTIONS, CONTACT OFFICE.