



OUR SAVIOR'S

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Third Sunday in Lent – March 20, 2022



Welcome to Our Savior's

Welcome to worship, especially our guests! We are delighted to have you with us. If you are looking for a church home, we are happy to share ours with you. If we haven't seen you in a while, it is great to see you today! May God bless your time with us richly.

Prayer before Worship

"I rejoiced with those said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'" Give me joy, dear Jesus, as I prepare to worship you today. Make me understand what my life would be like without you so that I long to hear about your grace and compassion. Help me participate in a way that honors you and builds up all who worship with me, and let their worship strengthen and encourage my faith.

Serving Today

- Minister – Pastor Andrew Franzo
- Organist – Jodi Langenhahn
- Ushers – Dan & Carrie Stelzer (*Next Sunday – Krohn/Schubring*)

Acknowledgments

Setting One from Christian Worship

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Our Worship

404 Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing

CW 404

- 1 Jesus, grant that balm and healing
in your holy wounds I find,
ev'ry hour that I am feeling
pains of body and of mind.
Should some evil thought within
tempt my treach'rous heart to sin,
show the peril, and from sinning
keep me ere its first beginning.
- 2 Should some lust or sharp temptation
fascinate my sinful mind,
let me think about your passion,
and new courage I shall find.
Or should Satan press me hard,
let me then be on my guard,
saying, "Christ for me was wounded,"
that the tempter flee confounded.
- 3 If the world my heart entices
with the broad and easy road,
with seductive, sinful vices,
let me weigh the awful load
you were willing to endure.
Help me flee all thoughts impure,
mastering each wild temptation,
calm in prayer and meditation.
- 4 Ev'ry wound that pains or grieves me
by your wounds, Lord, is made whole;
when I'm weak, your cross revives me,
granting new life to my soul.
Yes, your comfort renders sweet
ev'ry bitter cup I meet;
for your all-atoning passion
has procured my soul's salvation.

5 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.

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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not
in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

(spoken)

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

The Word

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Exodus 3:1–15

¹Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. ³So Moses thought, “I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up.”

⁴When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, “Moses! Moses!”

And Moses said, “Here I am.”

⁵“Do not come any closer,” God said. “Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground.” ⁶Then he said, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God

of Jacob.” At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.

⁷The LORD said, “I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. ⁸So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. ⁹And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. ¹⁰So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt.”

¹¹But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?”

¹²And God said, “I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain.”

¹³Moses said to God, “Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ Then what shall I tell them?”

¹⁴God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: ‘I AM has sent me to you.’”

¹⁵God also said to Moses, “Say to the Israelites, ‘The LORD, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you.’”

“This is my name forever,
the name you shall call me
from generation to generation.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:1–13

¹For I do not want you to be ignorant of the fact, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud and that they all passed through the sea. ²They were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. ³They all ate the same spiritual food ⁴and drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them; their bodies were scattered in the wilderness.

⁶Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things 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 got up to indulge in revelry.” ⁸We should not commit sexual immorality, as some of them did—and in one day twenty-three thousand of them died. ⁹We should not test Christ, as some of them did—and were killed by snakes. ¹⁰And do not grumble, as some of them did—and were killed by the destroying angel.

¹¹These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the culmination of the ages has come. ¹²So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don’t fall! ¹³No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

2 Peter 3:9

(spoken)

Glory, praise, and honor to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

Glory, praise, and honor to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. ²Jesus answered, “Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? ³I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. ⁴Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them—do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? ⁵I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish.”

⁶Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it but did not find any. ⁷So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, ‘For three years now I’ve been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven’t found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?’

⁸“‘Sir,’ the man replied, ‘leave it alone for one more year, and I’ll dig around it and fertilize it. ⁹If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.’”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

712 Delay Not! Delay Not

CW 712

- 1 Delay not! Delay not! O sinner, draw near!
 The waters of life are now flowing for you.
 No price is demanded, the Savior is here;
 redemption is purchased, God’s promise is true.

- 2 Delay not! Delay not, O sinner, to come,
 for mercy still lingers and calls you today.
 Its voice is not heard in the vale of the tomb;
 its message, unheeded, will soon pass away.

- 3 Delay not! Delay not! The Spirit of grace,
long grieved and resisted, may take his sad flight
and leave you in darkness to finish your race,
to sink in the gloom of eternity's night.
- 4 Delay not! Delay not! Why longer abuse
the love and compassion of Jesus, your God?
A fountain is opened—how can you refuse?
Come, wash and be cleansed in his pardoning blood.

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Sermon

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there 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.**

Offering

588 Come, O Come, Life-Giving Spirit

CW 588

- 1 Come, O come, life-giving Spirit, God from all eternity!
May your power never fail us; dwell within us constantly.
Then shall truth and life and light banish all the gloom of night.
- 2 Show us, Lord, the path of blessing; when we trespass on our way,
cast, O Lord, our sins behind you and be with us day by day.
Should we stray, O Lord, recall; work repentance when we fall.
- 3 Spirit, guard our faith forever; let not Satan, death, or shame
ever part us from our Savior. Lord, our refuge is your name!
When our hearts oppose your will, let your Word prove stronger still.
- 4 And when life's frail thread is breaking, then assure us more and more,
as the heirs of life unending, of the glory there in store,
glory never yet expressed, glory of the saints at rest.

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Prayer of the Church

Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to free us
from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.

We confess that without your love we are lost.

Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By
your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of
our faith.

**Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter
what the danger or the cost.**

Guard and guide those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and values as Christians.

By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.

Keep in your care those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, and those victimized by war and injustice. Comfort all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.

Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.

Watch over those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.

Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.

Hear us as we pray in silence. *Silent prayer*

Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

865 O Lord, Take Pity Once You've Seen

CW 865

- 1 O Lord, take pity once you've seen
what's leaving us so shaken:
your saints are few and far between—
we feel we've been forsaken.
So many call your Word untrue,
refusing to believe in you—
they have us far outnumbered.
- 2 May God root out all those who teach
religion that is twisted,
who say with bold, defiant speech:
“We cannot be resisted.
For we alone have right and might;
our views are welcomed with delight.
To whom must we now answer?”
- 3 Therefore God says: “I won't delay!
My people's hopes are waning.
Their sighs disclose their great dismay;
I've heard their sad complaining.
My healing Word will work as planned,
will bring relief, will make them stand,
will strengthen and uphold them.”
- 4 Dear Lord, the godless gather round
the guides whose teachings suit them.
Within your Church let there be found
the courage to refute them.
Preserve your Word and keep it pure,
and thus we shall remain secure
from evils that surround us!

*Thank you for worshipping with us!
May God richly bless your week.*

This Week's Opportunities for Growing in Christ		
Today	9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School & Bible Class Worship
Monday		No School – Spring Break
Tuesday	12–5 PM	Red Cross Blood Drive
Wednesday	1:00 PM	Lenten Worship <i>No Catechism</i>
Saturday		OS Day at Dime & Dollar
Sunday 3/27	9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School & Bible Class Worship with Communion

Divine Calls Our congregation has called Pastor Matthew Stuebs to serve as our pastor. He currently serves at Calvary Lutheran Church in Abrams, WI. St. Peter Lutheran Church in Modesto, CA has also called him to serve their congregation. Please keep Pastor Stuebs and his family in your prayers, as well as all congregations affected by these calls. If you'd like to reach out to Pastor Stuebs, you may email him at mattstuebs@gmail.com

Pastor Franzo has accepted a call to serve at Grace Lutheran Church in LaCrosse. We wish him and his family God's richest blessings. Information regarding pastoral coverage at Our Savior's following Pastor Franzo's departure will be available soon.

"The Crucial Hours": Lent 2022 Our Wednesday Lenten worship services continue this week with Pastor Jeff Mahnke from St. Peter, Schofield leading our worship. The theme is "I Will Keep the Passover"

If you're unable to attend our 1:00 Lenten services, we encourage you to attend one of our sister congregations' Lenten worship services. If all goes well, our services will also be posted on our Facebook page.

Red Cross Blood Drive A blood drive is scheduled this week Tuesday, March 22 in Our Savior's School gym. You may sign up for an appointment (noon-5 pm) at www.redcross.org.

NLHS: Local Deals Coupon Books for 2022 are available in the narthex. Cost is \$20 and proceeds support Northland LHS.

Our Stewardship of God's Gifts: March 13, 2022

<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Vision</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Plate</u>	<u>Lent</u>	<u>School fees</u>
\$2,145.00	\$60.00	\$155.00	\$68.00	\$570.00	\$1,408.00

Attendance: Sun., March 13 - 49 online - 26 Total = 75
Wed., March 16 - 59 online - 10 Total = 69



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