



# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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February 26, 2023

**First Sunday in Lent  
Bold Women's Sunday**

10:30 am

**+ GATHERING +**

## **PRELUDES**

*The Glory of These Forty Days*

Paul Manz

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Joyce Jones

*Jesus, Still Lead On*

Paul Manz

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **WELCA WELCOME & PRESENTATION**

Anne Caughman

*<We stand.>*

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who journeys with us these forty days, and sustains us with the gift of grace.

**Amen.**

Let us acknowledge before God and one another our need for repentance and God's mercy.

*<We kneel.>*

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy God,

**We confess to you our faults and failings. Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word; we take for ourselves instead of giving to others; we spoil rather than steward your creation; we cause hurt though you call us to heal; we choose fear over compassion. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, as we seek to follow in your way of life. Amen.**

*<We stand.>*

Hear the good news:

God so loved the world that God gave the only Son, so that all may receive life. This promise is for all of us! God embraces us with divine mercy, forgives us in Christ's name, and revives all of us in the Spirit's power. **Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN**

**There's a Wideness in God's Mercy**

**ELW 588**

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

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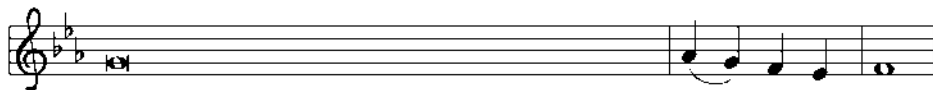
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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



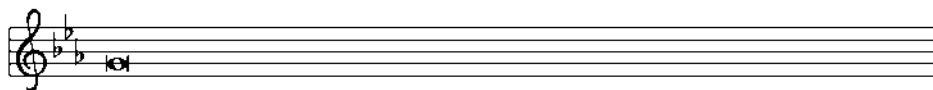
Lord, have mer - cy.



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



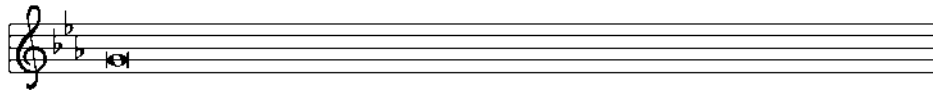
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray together...Forgiving God,  
**as you encouraged your people to forgive, you modeled forgiveness by releasing us from our bondage to sin. Help us to forgive others, so that we might live in harmony with all your children. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

**+ WORD +**

**READING**

**Matthew 18:15-35**

*Pew Bible pg. 799*

The Gospel according to Matthew, the eighteenth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*<At the conclusion of the reading>*

The Gospel of our Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*<We sit.>*

**LIL' LUTHERAN TALK**

*Erin Titus*

**SERMON**

*Mary Maercklein*

*<We stand.>*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**The Glory of These Forty Days**

**ELW 320**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

<We kneel.>

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each prayer petition will end with "Merciful God" and the response is "Receive our prayer."

At the conclusion of the prayers, we respond with "Amen."

<We stand.>

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

You are invited to share the peace however you and those around you are comfortable.

<We sit.>

## RECEPTION OF THE OFFERING

### ANTHEM

*God's Work, Our Hands*

Wold/Johnson

*WELCA Members*

<We stand.>

### + MEAL +

### OFFERTORY HYMN

*Restore in Us, O God (verse 1)*

ELW 328

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray ..., through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life.

**Amen.**

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW pg. 107

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### PREFACE

ELW pg. 108

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise... *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding...* we praise your name and join their unending hymn.



## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord...

...be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

**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.**

## INVITATION TO THE MEAL

Come and receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness.

*<We sit.>*

## COMMUNION

*Participation in Holy Communion is open to all the baptized of this and other Christian congregations. We come in faith that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and the wine. We receive this gift knowing that we are forgiven and are nourished to be sent to proclaim God's love to the world. You are invited to come to the altar to receive the bread and wine. If you are not able, the meal will be brought to you in your pew. A gluten-free wafer is available, upon request, for those who need it.*

*<We stand.>*

## THE TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
**Amen.**



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the



sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray ... and touch the world with your love. **Amen.**

## + SENDING +

### SUNG BLESSING

In the name of the Father.

**In the name of the Father.**

In the name of the Son.

**In the name of the Son.**

In the name of the Spirit.

**In the name of the Spirit.**

The Three-in-One.

**The Three-in-One.**

May the Lord bless and keep you.

**May the Lord bless and keep you.**

May God's face shine upon you.

**May God's face shine upon you.**

May God's blessings be with you.

**May God's blessings be with you.**

And give you peace.

**And give you peace.**

### SENDING HYMN

**Jesus, Still Lead On**

**ELW 624**

*<Please turn and face the rear of the nave.>*

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve in love.

**Thanks be to God!**

### POSTLUDE

*Toccata in E minor*

Johann Pachelbel

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## Worship Leadership

<b>Worship Leader</b>	Mary Maercklein
<b>Worship Assistant</b>	Eve Kneece
<b>Acolyte</b>	Ashleigh Titus
<b>Crucifer</b>	Nikki Chapman
<b>Choir Director</b>	Gayle Lindley
<b>Organist</b>	Huger Caughman, Jr.
<b>Youth Director</b>	Aubrey Guyton
<b>Video</b>	Matt Bowers
<b>Audio</b>	Annette Belcher or Claire Grosshuesch
<b>Communion Prep</b>	Eve Kneece
<b>Greeters</b>	Helen Fellers, Kitty Summer
<b>Ushers</b>	Helen Fellers, Kathy Riggin, Kitty Summer, Susan Thomasson
<b>Choir</b>	WELCA

## Announcements

**Flower Chart** - The 2023 Flower Chart is in the Narthex. Members and friends are encouraged to sign up for a Sunday. You may sign up on the chart or contact the church office to reserve a particular date.

**God's Abundance for All People** is open to all in need from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturdays at O'Neal Street UMC. GAAP is a free clothing and food pantry which now also provides a meal (beginning at 11am). Redeemer has been helping quite a bit on the **THIRD** Saturday of each month, you are all welcome to come volunteer every Saturday. The next day we will help with GAAP will be on March 18. The remodeled Community Clothes Closet will reopen soon! Volunteers are needed to help sort and organize clothing. ALL ARE WELCOME

**Manna House** - You can always donate food to Manna House by placing those items in the shopping carts in the narthex or outside the church office. Thank you! Redeemer will be volunteering at Manna House on the following days: March 14 and 16, July 18 and 20, and November 14 and 16 We need at least two volunteers each day! For more information please contact Annette Belcher.

**This year our Lenten Services** will be held on SUNDAY EVENINGS at 7pm. Our First service will be today February 26. We will gather in the Family Life Center. A small meal will be provided beginning at 6:15pm each Sunday. If you are interested in helping with the meals, please contact Cathy Turner.



**Updated Contact Info** - If your address, phone number, or email address has changed in the past year or so, please contact the Church Office so that we might update our information. Thank you!

**Lenten Donations** - Throughout the season of Lent, we will be gathering reusable grocery bags and can openers that will be donated to GAAP, Manna House, and the Wolves Food Pantry at Newberry College. Collection bins are in the narthex. Thank you!

**CONFIRMATION** - Confirmation will meet **TODAY** down in the Youth Hall beginning at 4pm.

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 26 - MARCH 4**

Today	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship
	4:00 pm	Confirmation in Youth Hall
	5:15 pm	Youth Group
	6:15 pm	Lenten meal in FLC
	7:00 pm	Lenten Service in FLC
Monday	2:30 pm	Prayer & Care Card Class
Tuesday	10:00 am	Prayer Shawl Ministry - Library
	6:30 pm	Project Nectar
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal-McCullough Music Room
	7:30 pm	Senior Choir Rehearsal-McCullough Music Room
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday	All Day	Member

**Attendance for February 19, 2023**

Sunday School	21
In-Person	78
Online	103
<b>Total</b>	<b>181</b>

**Offering for this Week:**

**Needed Weekly - \$6,000.00**  
**Received 2-19-23 - \$5,827.25**