

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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March 26, 2023

Fifth Sunday in Lent

10:30 am

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDES

Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life We Come to the Hungry Feast That Priceless Grace Jacob Weber David Cherwien David Lasky

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

<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 you! God embraces you with divine mercy, + forgives you in Christ's name, and revives you in the Spirit's power. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

What Wondrous Love is This

ELW 666

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.

KYRIE ELW page 98



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together. God of justice,

you have shown yourself in this world in the poor, the hungry, and the needy. Make us willing participants of your grace and generosity, so that when you come again, we will know your face. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

+ WORD +

READING Matthew 25:31-46

Pew Bible pg. 806

The Gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-fifth 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

SERMON Pastor Matthew Titus

<We stand.>

HYMN OF THE DAY

We Come to the Hungry Feast

ELW 479

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.

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<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

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Carl F. Mueller

Soloist: Bryce Eubanks

<We stand.>

+ MEAL +

OFFERTORY HYMN
OFFERTORY PRAYER

Just As I Am, without One Plea verses 1 & 4 **ELW 592**

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.

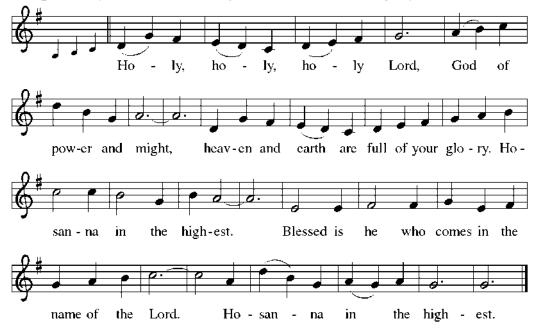
We lift them to the Lord.

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.



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

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

ELW 324

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

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

Go in peace. Serve in love.

Thanks be to God!

Deep Were His Wounds

Leland Sateren

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Worship Leadership

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Communion Prep Huger Caughman, Jr.

Announcements

God's Abundance for All People is open to all in need from 10 am to 12 pm 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 April 15. 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: July 18 and 20, and November 14 and 16. We need at least two volunteers each day! For more information please contact Annette Belcher.

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!

WELCA will meet on Sunday, April, 2nd, at 3:45 PM, in the church library for its business meeting. At 4:00, Kitty Summer will present the program. We look forward to hearing about Kitty's three favorite hymns from our <u>Then Sings My Soul</u> books. All women and friends of the congregation are invited to attend.



If you are interested in attend this year's Synod Assembly in Columbia, please let PM know soon.



Devotion Kits for families are available in the narthex. For more information, please reach out to Aubrey.

Holy Week Schedule - Maundy Thursday, April 6 7:00 pm G

Good Friday, April 7 7:00 pm

Easter Sunrise, April 9 7:00 am

Easter Sunday, April 9 10:30 am

This year's annual Easter Egg Hunt will be on April 8 beginning at 10:30 am. All children and youth are invited to participate in this fun event. Please contact Aubrey for more information and for where you can help out with candy donations and being a volunteer on April 8!

Confirmation class will meet today at 4:00 pm in the Youth Hall.



Redeemer needs a few individuals who would be interested and willing to keep our website updated with information that is given to Donna our Secretary. If you would be interunteers ested, please contact Matt Bowers for more information.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 26 - APRIL 1

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Today	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship
	4:00 pm	Confirmation
	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
	6:30 pm	Sistercare
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal-McCullough Music Room
	7:30 pm	Senior Choir Rehearsal-McCullough Music Room
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		

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Attendance for March 19, 2023

Sunday School 29 In-Person 74 Online 76 **Total** 150

Offering for this Week:

Needed Weekly - \$6,000.00 Received 3-19-23 - \$4,128.25