

# † The Second Sunday in Lent †

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**WELCOME:** to those visiting us this Lord's Day. It is our joy to have you worshipping with us. We invite you to come again and worship the Lord.

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### **WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS / SHARING THE PEACE**

#### **OPENING HYMN    *Jesus, Refuge of the Weary*    **LSB 423****

- 1    Jesus, refuge of the weary,  
        Blest Redeemer, whom we love,  
        Fountain in life's desert dreary,  
        Savior from the world above:  
        Often have Your eyes, offended,  
        Gazed upon the sinner's fall;  
        Yet upon the cross extended,  
        You have borne the pain of all.
  
- 2    Do we pass that cross unheeding,  
        Breathing no repentant vow,  
        Though we see You wounded, bleeding,  
        See Your thorn-encircled brow?  
        Yet Your sinless death has brought us  
        Life eternal, peace, and rest;  
        Only what Your grace has taught us  
        Calms the sinner's deep distress.
  
- 3    Jesus, may our hearts be burning  
        With more fervent love for You;  
        May our eyes be ever turning  
        To behold Your cross anew

Till in glory, parted never  
From the blessed Savior's side,  
Graven in our hearts forever,  
Dwell the cross, the Crucified.

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## INVOCATION

*Matt 28:19b*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## EXHORTATION

*Psalm 124:8; 130:3, adapt.; Luke 18:13*

**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.

## CONFESSION OF SINS

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

## PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

**P** Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

## INTROIT **Psalm 115:11–13, 18; antiphon: Psalm 25:6**

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,  
for they have been from of old.

You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD!

He is their help and their shield.

The LORD has remembered us; he will bless us;

he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house  
of Aaron;

he will bless those who fear the LORD,

both the small and the great.

We will bless the LORD

from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD!

**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.**

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,  
for they have been from of old.

## Kyrie

LSB 204



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

### **"Gloria" omitted during Lent**

**Lent is a time of solemn preparation for Easter. One of the ways that the Church marks this penitential character to the season is the omission of the "Gloria". The "Gloria" will resound again on Easter morning, as the hymn itself is inspired by the very angels who announce to the shepherds the arrival of the Messiah.**

## **SALUTATION**

2 Timothy 4:22

**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

## Genesis 17:1–7, 15–16

<sup>1</sup>When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, <sup>2</sup>that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly." <sup>3</sup>Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, <sup>4</sup>"Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. <sup>5</sup>No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. <sup>6</sup>I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. <sup>7</sup>And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. . . .

<sup>15</sup>And God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. <sup>16</sup>I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

## Romans 5:1–11

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup>Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does

not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—<sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup>Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup>For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup>More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

## **Holy Gospel**

**Mark 8:27–38**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eighth chapter.

**G** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>27</sup>And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" <sup>28</sup>And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." <sup>29</sup>And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." <sup>30</sup>And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

<sup>31</sup>And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the

chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

<sup>34</sup>And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? <sup>37</sup>For what can a man give in return for his life? <sup>38</sup>For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **NICENE CREED**

**G** **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,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic  
Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life † of the world to come. Amen.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart**

**LSB 708**

- 1 Lord, Thee I love with all my heart;  
I pray Thee, ne'er from me depart,  
With tender mercy cheer me.

Earth has no pleasure I would share.  
Yea, heav'n itself were void and bare  
    If Thou, Lord, wert not near me.  
And should my heart for sorrow break,  
My trust in Thee can nothing shake.  
    Thou art the portion I have sought;  
    Thy precious blood my soul has bought.  
Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord, my God and Lord,  
Forsake me not! I trust Thy Word.

2 Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich bounty gave  
My body, soul, and all I have  
    In this poor life of labor.  
Lord, grant that I in ev'ry place  
May glorify Thy lavish grace  
    And help and serve my neighbor.  
Let no false doctrine me beguile;  
Let Satan not my soul defile.  
    Give strength and patience unto me  
    To bear my cross and follow Thee.  
Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord, my God and Lord,  
In death Thy comfort still afford.

3 Lord, let at last Thine angels come,  
To Abr'ham's bosom bear me home,  
    That I may die unfearing;  
And in its narrow chamber keep  
My body safe in peaceful sleep  
    Until Thy reappearing.  
And then from death awaken me,  
That these mine eyes with joy may see,  
    O Son of God, Thy glorious face,  
    My Savior and my fount of grace.

Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend, my prayer attend,  
And I will praise Thee without end.

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**SERMON**

**Cross Purposes**

**Mark 8:31-38**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

**P** Lord, in Your mercy

**C** hear our prayer.

**OFFERING THROUGH THE PLATE, ONLINE OR AUTOMATIC**

**OFFERTORY**

**LSB 192**

**Ps. 51:10-12**

**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.

**PREFACE**

2 Timothy 4:22

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

Colossians 3:1

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Ps. 136

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy

Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new 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**

**LSB 208**

IS 6:3 Matt. 21:9

**G Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory  
of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the  
Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the  
Lord!**

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many.

As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

Matt. 6:9-13

**G** **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**

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also, He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

**PAX DOMINI**

John 20:19

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

**AGNUS DEI**

*LSB 210*

John 1:29

**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 HYMN Christ, the Life of All the Living**

*LSB 420*

1 Christ, the life of all the living,  
Christ, the death of death, our foe,  
Who, Thyself for me once giving  
To the darkest depths of woe:  
Through Thy suff'rings, death, and merit  
I eternal life inherit.  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

- 2    Thou, ah! Thou, hast taken on Thee  
      Bonds and stripes, a cruel rod;  
Pain and scorn were heaped upon Thee,  
      O Thou sinless Son of God!  
Thus didst Thou my soul deliver  
From the bonds of sin forever.  
      Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
      Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 3    Thou hast borne the smiting only  
      That my wounds might all be whole;  
Thou hast suffered, sad and lonely,  
      Rest to give my weary soul;  
Yea, the curse of God enduring,  
Blessing unto me securing.  
      Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
      Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 4    Heartless scoffers did surround Thee,  
      Treating Thee with shameful scorn  
And with piercing thorns they crowned Thee.  
      All disgrace Thou, Lord, hast borne,  
That as Thine Thou mightest own me  
And with heav'nly glory crown me.  
      Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
      Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 5    Thou hast suffered men to bruise Thee,  
      That from pain I might be free;  
Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee:  
      Thence I gain security;  
Comfortless Thy soul did languish  
Me to comfort in my anguish.

Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

6 Thou hast suffered great affliction  
And hast borne it patiently,  
Even death by crucifixion,  
Fully to atone for me;  
Thou didst choose to be tormented  
That my doom should be prevented.  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon,  
For Thy sorrows deep and sore,  
For Thine anguish in the Garden,  
I will thank Thee evermore,  
Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,  
For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,  
For that last triumphant cry,  
And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

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## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the





glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

## 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

Ps. 103:1

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God

## BENEDICTION

Isaiah 9:6, adapt.; Numbers 6:24–26

- 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.**

## HYMN TO DEPART

### **When I Survey the Wondrous Cross**      **LSB 425**

- 1    When I survey the wondrous cross  
      On which the Prince of Glory died,  
      My richest gain I count but loss  
      And pour contempt on all my pride.
  
- 2    Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast  
      Save in the death of Christ, my God;  
      All the vain things that charm me most,  
      I sacrifice them to His blood.
  
- 3    See, from His head, His hands, His feet  
      Sorrow and love flow mingled down!  
      Did e'er such love and sorrow meet  
      Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
  
- 4    Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
      That were a tribute far too small;  
      Love so amazing, so divine,  
      Demands my soul, my life, my all!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748

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**When I Survey the Wondrous Cross** is a great hymn on which to concentrate as we near Easter and remember the

true meaning of the season. Jesus' death on the cross is the greatest gift God could give to us and is a gift we can continue to accept today as we accept his salvation.

However, the song was not originally written for the Easter season but as a communion song.

This popular hymn was written by [Isaac Watts](#), one of the best loved hymn composers. Watts was born on July 17, 1674.

As a young man, Watts complained to his father that the Psalms sung in church were not "inspirational enough". His father challenged him to write his own songs for the church service. He began writing hymns at a very young age.

Watts penned this song in preparation for the communion service. The song was controversial when Watts first performed it, because it involved a personal religious experience, which was known as a "hymn of human composure". The song is also the first hymn to use a personal pronoun.

The hymn is also one of the first to paraphrase Biblical texts. The first two lines paraphrase part of Galatians 6:14.

The hymn was first published under the title "Crucifixion to the World by the Cross of Christ " in the 1707 *Hymns and Spiritual Songs*.

**Welcome: Lake George Lutheran Chapel (LGLC)** welcomes you and hopes that you find our worship and fellowship open and friendly. Since 1966, The Chapel has served the Lake Community providing the Gospel and human care.

**Fellowship after Church:** We gather after every service in the Fellowship Hall, for refreshments and conversations at this season of the year. Volunteers to provide refreshments can sign up on the sign-up sheet in the kitchen.

**Contact Information and Office Hours:** Pastor Shoemaker will normally be in the office on Fridays from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Other times you may contact him by cell phone or text (260.615.9580), or e-mail: [pastorshoemaker@emanuelnh.org](mailto:pastorshoemaker@emanuelnh.org).

**Refreshments:** This Week – Mike and Joyce  
Next Week – Brian and Tammy

**We Remember in our Prayers this Week**

Noah Baker Megan Jacques

**Please Pray for our Members who are at Home**

Velda Dose                      Todd Scherer                      Jeri and Jerry Threlkeld

**Worship Leaders Today**

Joyce Saalfrank-Music Coordinator  
Tammy Walker-Reader  
Terry Messmann-Communion Assistant  
Melanie Krauter-Altar Guild  
Shannah Messmann-Altar Guild

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