

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCHES Babbtown (Meta 8am) Schubert (Jefferson City 10am)

First Sunday in Lent

February 21, 2021

Order of Worship: Printed below (with P for Pastor, C for Congregation) or found on page 15 in The Lutheran Hymnal TLH

The Ringing Of The Bell Prelude
Welcome

Opening Hymn: TLH 149 "Come To Calvary's Holy Mountain"

Come to Calv'ry's holy mountain, Sinners, ruined by the Fall; Here a pure and healing fountain Flows to you, to me, to all, In a full, perpetual tide, Opened when our Savior died.

Come in poverty and meanness, Come defiled, without, within; From infection and uncleanness, From the leprosy of sin, Wash your robes and make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.

Come in sorrow and contrition, Wounded, impotent, and blind; Here the guilty free remission, Here the troubled peace, may find. Health this fountain will restore; He that drinks shall thirst no more.

He that drinks shall live forever; 'Tis a soul-renewing flood. God is faithful; God will never Break His covenant of blood, Signed when our Redeemer died, Sealed when He was glorified. Amen.

Invocation: p. 15 [Responses Sung]

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

C: Amen.

- 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. 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 Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

Confession: [Spoken]

ALL: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution p. 16

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 Ghost.

C: [Sung] Amen.

The Introit

Gloria Patri: p.16 [Sung]

C: 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.

The Kyrie: p.17 [Sung]

C: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Salutation And Response: p.19

P: The Lord be with you

C: [Sung] And with thy spirit.

The Prayer Of The Day: [Spoken by all]

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through the same Jesus Christ, Your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Response [Sung]: Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 22:1-18

¹After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ² He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." ³ So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴ On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar.

⁵ Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." 6 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷ And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" 8 Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together. 9 When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. 10 Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. 11 But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." 12 He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." 13 And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴ So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided." 15 And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven 16 and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷ I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, 18 and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

Epistle Reading: James 1:12-18

¹² Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. ¹³ Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴ But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵ Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death. ¹⁶ Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷ Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸ Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

The Gradual

P: The Holy Gospel that is appointed to be read for today is from the Gospel of St. Mark, chapter 1, beginning with the 9th verse.

C: [Sung] Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

The Gospel Reading: Mark: 1:9-15

⁹ In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." ¹² The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³ And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him. ¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵ and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

P: Here ends the reading of the Holy Gospel.

C: [Sung] Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

Apostles' Creed, p. 12: [Spoken by all]

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 Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

Children's Song: "God Is So Good"

God is so good, God is so good, God is so good, He's so good to me.

He cares for me, He cares for me, He cares for me, He's so good to me.

He loves me so, He loves me so, He loves me so, He's so good to me.

I praise His name, I praise His name, I praise His name, He's so good to me.

Children's Message: "40"

Sermon Hymn, "The Lamb"

The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice? Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price!

REFRAIN: Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own! The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.
The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.
REFRAIN

The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill So still, His will On our behalf the Law to fill. REFRAIN

He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness. He lives, forgives, He gives me His own righteousness. REFRAIN

He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows. His song prolong Till ev'ry heart to Him belong. REFRAIN

Sermon: "The Lord Has Provided" Text: Genesis 22:1-18

(Usual time for The Offering – Offering plates are at the entrances or can be mailed or given online.)

Offertory p. 22 [Sung]

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.

Prayers

The 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.

Benediction:

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: [Sung] Amen, Amen, Amen!

Closing Hymn: TLH 140 vs. 1 "Jesus, I Will Ponder Now"

Jesus, I will ponder now On Thy holy Passion; With Thy Spirit me endow For such meditation. Grant that I in love and faith May the image cherish Of Thy suff'ring, pain, and death That I may not perish. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Announcements

The Celebration Of Holy Communion

Hymn of Preparation of Communion: TLH 147 "Christ, Thou Lamb Of God"

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!

A----men.

Have A Blessed Week!

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS: <u>Babbtown</u>: Bailey Buschjost; <u>Schubert</u>: Isabelle M. and Jim K. (NOTE: Please call or text Pastor with prayer requests and birthdays.)

ORGANISTS: Babbtown – Arline M.; Schubert – Keith B.

USHERS this Sunday: Kurt B. and Mike F. USHERS next Sunday: Kurt B. and Kevin L.

COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Allan F.

A WARM WELCOME to each of you as we join for worship today. As you have probably already noted, we have begun the liturgical season of Lent on this past Wednesday – Ash Wednesday. Our hymnody will mostly consist of hymns that center upon the Passion of Christ. Many of the hymns have a slow and more somber melody, reflecting the subject of the cross. The Altar paraments are purple, adorned with the symbols of the Passion. We don't normally use flowers on the Altar during this period. Also we omit singing the "Gloria In Excelsis" and "Triple Hallelujah".

At Schubert the Altar niches contain artwork depicting the life of Jesus from birth to crucifixion (this is the art work of Allan Forbis). We also have the Lenten cross made from the trunk of the Christmas tree – a reminder of the reason that Jesus was born.

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Carl Brandenburg and his family upon the death of his wife Reba. We keep them in our prayers with the promise of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ who endured the cross and the grave so that we might have eternal life.

PLEASE PICK UP your poinsettias today, if you want them. Thanks.

TODAY: March newsletter items are due.

MONDAY: Babbtown Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY: Confirmation Class, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY Lenten Worship, 7:00 p.m. Please join us this Lenten season as we follow the theme: "The Hands Of The Passion – The Hands Of Betrayal (Judas).

SATURDAY: Mask-Only worship service, 6:00 p.m.

A HUGE THANKS TO DEBBIE and <u>her snow removal crew</u> who have worked hard to remove the snow and ice during these extremely cold and hazardous days.

TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL 2021-2022 Registration is going on now! If you, or anyone you know, are interested in Trinity Lutheran School contact the school office at 636-7807. We would be happy to schedule a time for you to tour our school and learn more about what we have to offer!

NOTE: With the pandemic, Deb R. will be mailing out your contribution reports. If you generally attend services, your report will be is in your church mailbox. If you mail in contributions, use VANCO, or attend irregularly, your report will be mailed. Again this is a general guideline. If you have not received your report, or have any questions about it, please give her a call.

REMEMBER: We are encouraging all who are in high risk groups, and that are hesitant, to remain at home and continue worshiping online. If attending live worship services, the wearing of masks is encouraged. <u>Call if you wish to have private communion.</u>

SHARE THE GOSPEL with all those around. Encourage each other in Christ.

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR: "Do not lay your hand on the boy ... the Lord will provide" (Genesis 22:12-14). Don't mothers and fathers experiencing surprise pregnancies have the need—and the right—to hear this plea from God Himself? And what a privilege we have to repeat the holy prohibition and promise! Jesus Christ has stepped into every sinner's place (Mark 1:9, 13), and no other death is necessary or sufficient. His alone will atone for all of our shortcomings.

Thanks be to God that we can continue to open the church doors for worship.

<u>Babbtown</u> <u>Schubert</u>

8:00 a.m., Sunday Worship Saturday: 6:00 p.m. Mask-Only Worship

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Wednesday: 7:00 pm Lenten Worship Service

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The Lutheran Hymnal: St. Louis: Concordia, 1941.

Hymn #149: Text: Matt. 11:28; Author: James Montgomery, 1819; Consolation; Composer: Ludwig M. Lindeman, 1871. Hymn #156: Text: Hebrews 10:4; Author: Isaac Watts, 1709; Southwell "Psalter"; Composer: William Daman, 1579 Hymn #140: Text: Luke 18:31-34; Jesu, deine Passion; Author: Sigismund V. Birken, 1653; Tr., August Crull, 1923, alt.; Jesu Kreuz, Leiden und Pein; Composer: Melchior Vulpius, 1609.

Hymn #147: Text: John 1:29; Christe, du Lamm Gottes; From the German, 1528; Tr., Unknown; Christe, du Lamm Gottes; Johann Bugenhagen's "Kirchenordnung"; Composer, Braunschweig, 1523.

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CALVARY NEWS



CALVARY INSIDER – What happened this week at Calvary?

Basketball is wrapping up the regular season with games versus Macks Creek, Bunceton, Jamestown and Russellville. The District tournament begins next week.

Archery competed this weekend in the Russellville tournament.

WINTER DRAMA – Join us this Friday and Saturday for the Winter Drama one-act plays, "A Mystery Murdered" and "Controlling Interest." Performances will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday, February 26th and at 1 p.m. on Saturday, February 27th. Due to the need to maintain physical distance, reserved seating is required, and masks are requested to be worn when you are not seated in your family group. Please sign up using the link: https://tinyurl.com/1n10rclb

OPEN HOUSES RESCHEDULED – Due to the winter weather this past week, two of Calvary's Open House events have been re-rescheduled. Come hear from current Calvary students and parents about their experience as part of the Lion Pride!

Monday, February 22, 7 p.m. Tuesday, February 23, 7 p.m.

CALVARY BLOOD DRIVE – Give the gift of life by donating blood! The next Calvary blood drive will be held on Tuesday, March 2 from 1-7 p.m. in the Café at Calvary Lutheran High School.

ATTENTION 8th GRADE FUTURE LIONS- Early registration for the 2021-2022 school year ends March 1! Contact John Christman at 573-638-0228 to get your admissions process underway now and schedule a family visit or "Future Lion Shadow Day" right away!

FINANCIAL PLANNING FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Missouri allows private K-12 tuition to be paid from a 529 fund. This is a great opportunity for families (or friends of a family) to contribute specifically to a student's education through state-tax deductible contributions. Qualified withdrawals for tuition expenses can happen now or well into the future. Call John Christman 573-638-0228 or your financial advisor to learn more.