

"The best way to drive out the devil, if he will not yield to text of Scripture, is to jeer and flout him, for he cannot bear scorn." - Luther

PRAYERS FOR:

Persecuted Christians around the world
The Unborn – Pray for an end to Abortion

PRAYER FOR HEALING:

Bonnie Broviak- Recovering

Jim Miller- Cancer

Tyler Oswald- Concerns

Jim Brown- Cancer

Cathy Clayton- Kidney issues

Mary Granzow – Cancer

Don Skinner – Dr Care

Robin Biggs – Recovery

Bethany Kutemeier – Dr Care

Helen Glass – Hospital

Alex Walters -Dr Care

Delores (Buz) Berdine –Rehab

THOSE EXPECTING CHILDREN:

Emily (Brown) Mohlke July

Pat Maile – Dr Care

Jim McGown– Tumor

William Devries -Dr Care

Sylvia Luekens- Cancer

Travis Filipiak – Recovery

Tina Hardesty – Hospital

Erin Lew – Lung Issues

Logan Santure- Apert Synd

Linda Boros – Heart Issues

Alan Glass – Knee Replace

Barb Beach – Tests

Fran Duvall – Rehab



Judica

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

"Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am (I existed)."

March 26th, Year of our Lord 2023

The Reverend William Foy, Pastor

THOSE CELEBRATING BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Bill Iomas 3/27 Dennis Blackmon 3/28 Bob Symer 3/29 Ryan

Griechen 3/29

Cathy Beach 3/30 Michelle Elkins 4/1

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Ryan Beach 3/26 Donna Griechen 3/30 Maile Hardesty 3/30

THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

THOSE ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED

Rachel Wilburn & Alex Rodriguez

"The love of husband and wife is the force that welds society together." - St. John Chrysostom, Homily 20 on Eph. 5

About the Cover Art: Jesus, the Word of God made flesh, is preaching and teaching in God's house, His house. Notice how lavish the pillars and marble floors are. Notice also how those who would be the important men of the "congregation" sit, some even faced away from Jesus as He teaches. To this day, many disdain Jesus, His teaching, and preaching. Others, however, are gathered and listen intently and hear Him.

The Veiled Crosses: This Sunday, the 5th Sunday of Lent, is historically Passion Sunday when the entire Passion Narrative is read. Although the Passion Narrative has moved to Palm Sunday, John's Gospel for this Sunday concludes by saying, "Then they took up stones to throw at Him; but Jesus **HID Himself** and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them and so passed by." Thus as the Lord HID Himself from the people until the time of His arrest, trial, and crucifixion, the crucifixes and crosses are veiled until after the main service of Good Friday. Only the Processional Crucifix will be unveiled prior to that as it is used during the Reproaches of the Good Friday service. At that point of the service, the adoration of the cross is highlighted and in many churches, the Celebrant, other pastors, and those serving the altar might even prostrate themselves before the cross.

Order of Worship – Divine Service - Setting 3

Preludes- *Time for silent prayer and preparation for confession*

Please rise and face the procession turning to the altar when the celebrant has passed by.

Procession Hymn: In the Very Midst of Life **755**
Invocation **184**

Please Kneel/Stand
Confession and Absolution
Please Rise

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Service of the Word

Introit - (Congregation chants the bold stanzas)



Vindicate me, | O God,*

and defend my cause against an ungodly | people,
 from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!*

For You are the God in whom I take | refuge.

Send out Your light and Your truth; let them | lead
 me;*

let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your |
 dwelling!

**Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my ex- |
 ceeding joy,***

**and I will praise You with the lyre, O | God, my
 God.**

**Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are
 you in turmoil with- | in me?***

**Hope in God; for I shall again praise Him, my
 Salvation | and my God.**

(The Gloria Patri is omitted until Easter.)

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Gloria in Excelsis omitted until Easter	
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Collect of the Day – *Prayed by Pastor*

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Please be seated.

The Old Testament: **Genesis 22:1–14**

After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, “Abraham!”

And he said, “Here am I.”

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.”

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. On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. 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.” 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.

And Isaac said to his father Abraham, “My father!”

And he said, “Here am I, my son.”

He said, “Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?”

Abraham said, “God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So they went both of them together.

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. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. But The Angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!”

And he said, “Here am I.”

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.”

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. 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.”

Gradual - *Chanted by the cantor*

Deliver me from my enemies, | O LORD!*

Teach me to do Your will, for You | are my God!
You delivered me from my | enemies;*

You rescued me from the man of | violence.

The Epistle: **Hebrews 9:11–15**

But when Christ appeared as a High Priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) He entered once for all into the holy places, not by

means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of His own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more will the Blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Therefore He is the Mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

Please rise and face the procession as the Word of God enters into your midst. (Chanted by the congregation.)



**“Greatly have they afflicted Me | from My youth”—*
let Israel | now say—**

**“Greatly have they afflicted Me | from My youth,*
yet they have not prevailed a- | gainst Me.**

**The plowers plowed up- | on My back;*
they made long their | furrows.”**

The LORD is | righteous;*

He has cut the cords of the | wicked.

The Holy Gospel: John 8:46–59

“Which one of you convicts Me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe Me? Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God.”

The Jews answered Him, “Are we not right in saying that You are a Samaritan and have a demon?”

Jesus answered, “I do not have a demon, but I honor My Father, and you dishonor Me. Yet I do not seek My own glory; there is One who seeks it, and He is the judge. Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps My word, he will never see death.”

The Jews said to Him, “Now we know that You have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet You say, ‘If anyone keeps My word, he will never taste death.’ Are You greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do You make Yourself out to be?”

Jesus answered, “If I glorify Myself, My glory is nothing. It is My Father who glorifies Me, of whom you say, ‘He is our God.’ But you have not known Him. I know Him. If I were to say that I do not know Him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know Him and I keep His word. Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see My day. He saw it and was glad.”

So the Jews said to Him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?”

Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I Am.” So they picked up stones to throw at Him, but Jesus hid Himself and went out of the temple.

Crucifixes are Draped – (Jesus hid Himself)

Nicene Creed 191

Please be seated.

Hymn of the Day- My Song is Love Unknown 430

Sermon

Please rise.

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Prayer of the Church- Prayed by Pastor

Service of the Sacrament

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What we believe: The Sacrament of the Altar

Holy Communion is offered each Sunday at Prince of Peace (LCMS) in the glad confidence that Jesus, as His Word says, gives in and under the bread and wine His true Body and Blood which was given and shed for us Christians to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of our sins. Fellowship in the Eucharist is a public confession of one's beliefs; it is to openly declare one's agreement with the teachings of the church from which one receives it. We adhere to the Scriptural teaching and Apostolic practice of *closed communion*. Non-members desiring to commune are kindly asked to speak to Pastor Foy before the Divine Service. Thank you.

Please be seated.

Distribution Hymns –

We All Believe in One True God	954
Christ, the Life of All the Living	420
O Sacred Head Now Wounded	450

(Please rise for the last stanza, which is Trinitarian)

Please rise.

Nunc Dimittis - The Gloria Patri is omitted until Easter

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Please face the procession until the celebrant has passed and then face back towards the altar.

Closing Hymn – Sing My tongue the Glorious Battle 454

“Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins” (1 Peter 4:8).

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God in thanksgiving to Him for all things good for our life and living in Christ Jesus.

ALL THINGS EASTER:

Easter Egg Hunt: Mark your calendars for our annual egg hunt Saturday April 1st at 1:00 pm. Please sign up if you plan on attending. Also a sign-up sheet for candy needed to fill the eggs is on the white board in the foyer.

Easter Breakfast Please plan on joining us for Easter Breakfast Sunday April 9th at 7:30 am prior to our Worship Service. An attendance sign-up sheet and sign-up sheet for items needed for breakfast is located on the white board in the foyer.

Easter plants LAST DAY TO ORDER will adorn the Chancel area on Easter they are \$9.00 this year. This year you can choose Lily, Tulip, Hyacinth, or Daffodil. If you would like your plant in memory of a loved one please let us know when you place your order. Last day to order Sunday March 26th. Please see Heidi, Pam or Joann to order.

SUNDAY - Bible Study: We are studying the Word of God, after the Divine Service, in the Parish Hall. We will begin at 10:45 and go to 11:30 each Sunday morning. Thank you. Pastor Foy

WEDNESDAY – Bible Study: We are studying the Gospel According to St. Matthew at 11:45 in the conference room on Wednesdays. Please join us if you are able. Pastor

PRAYER FOR SHUT-INS: Tylor Smith, Kathy Hegenow, Mike Foy, Darlene McDonald

PRAYER FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY: Craig McCall, Alex Sibert, Erich Sibert; Seneca Newkirk

For the coming Week

Organist: Jennifer Symer

Elders: Jeff, Josh and Carl

Altar Guild Servers: Shirley, Penny

Bible Study: Wednesday 11:45

Bethesda Service: Wednesday 4pm

Service: Monday - Thursday 11am

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Chrismon Corner

Lent 5 Genesis 22.1-14 The Lord will provide

Alpha & Omega on cross. The Alpha and Omega used together symbolize that Jesus is the beginning and end of all. God the Son came in the flesh so that He could hang on a cross for our salvation



Jesus is the ram caught in a thicket by its horns; the Lamb of God Who was bound in Isaac's place; Who travelled uncomplaining the way toward suffering and death, carrying the world's sins upon His shoulders, quietly doing as His Father bid Him. But as the day of sacrifice approached, He opened His eyes and mouth in prayer while the disciples slept, beseeching, "O My Father, if this cup cannot pass, Your will be done."

He died the death from which Isaac was rescued, and by the foolish sacrifice of the Father's Only-Begotten you too are rescued from sin and death and Satan and hell. For in the hot afternoon sun, when they had come to the place of the skull, the wood was set in place and the

Son of God was nailed upon the accursed tree. No one could take His life from Him, but He gave it freely, submitting to the will of His Father who had forsaken Him, that He quench the Father's fiery wrath. And He gave up His Spirit crying out, "It is finished."

The atonement for your sins is finished, accomplished, completed. There is nothing left for you to do, for the sacrifice of our Lord is all-availing, perfect. He suffered and died in the place of mankind, to be raised again from the tomb by the glory of the Father, that the children of God would be raised from the dead at the Last, that theirs would be the promised land, the land flowing with milk and honey, the heavenly Jerusalem where you are forever seated at the Heavenly Feast which never ends.



Service Dates and times for Lent thru Easter

Mid-Week Wednesday Lenten Vesper Services – 7pm
(light soup supper at 6pm preceding service)
March 29th

Holy week – Palm Sunday thru Easter
Palm Sunday – Divine Service 9 am

Evening Services

Maundy Thursday - April 6th 7pm

Good Friday - April 7th 7pm

April 9th The Resurrection of Our Lord - Easter
Divine Service 9am

Breakfast 7:30am