

# WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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# Confession and Absolution

## By Grace I'm Saved

LSB 566

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

### Invocation

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

**C** Amen.

### Exhortation

LSB 184

**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.

**P** 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 You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*Kneel/Stand*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

### Confession of Sins

LSB 184

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

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

### Absolution

LSB 185

**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 Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Psalm 27:3–5; antiphon: v. 1*

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear?\*

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?

**Though an army encamp against me, my heart | shall not fear;\***

**though war arise against me, yet I will be | confident.**

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek | after:\*

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his | temple.

**For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of | trouble;\***

**he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high up- | on a rock.**

## Gloria Patri

*LSB 186*

☐ Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;  
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

The musical score for Gloria Patri consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The first system begins with a common time signature and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are: "Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;". The second system continues the melody and accompaniment with the lyrics: "as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men." The piece concludes with a double bar line.

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear?\*

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?

## Kyrie

*LSB 186*

☐ Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

The musical score for Kyrie consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature is one flat. The lyrics are: "Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us." The piece concludes with a double bar line.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

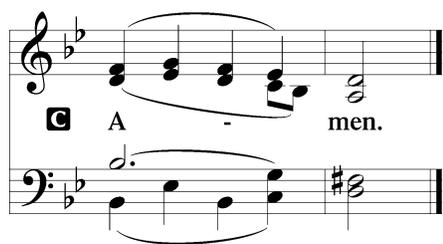
☐ The Lord be with you.

☐ And with thy spir - it.

The musical score for the Salutation and Collect of the Day consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature is one flat. The lyrics are: "And with thy spir - it." The piece concludes with a double bar line.

☐ Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Numbers 21:4–9*

<sup>4</sup>From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup>And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” <sup>6</sup>Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. <sup>7</sup>And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” <sup>9</sup>So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Hebrews 12:2*

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,\*  
 the founder and perfecter | of our faith,  
 who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame,\*  
 and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

## Epistle

*Ephesians 2:1–10*

<sup>1</sup>And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup>in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup>among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. <sup>4</sup>But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— <sup>6</sup>and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup>not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

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

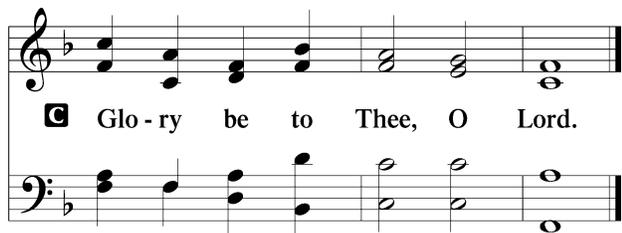
**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Holy Gospel

*John 3:14–21*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.



<sup>14</sup>[Jesus said:] “As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup>Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. <sup>19</sup>And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup>For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. <sup>21</sup>But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God.”

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



## Apostles' Creed

**C** 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 Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

*Sit*

## God Loved the World So That He Gave

*LSB 571*

## Sermon

*Stand*

## Offertory

*LSB 192*

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

The musical score is written in a two-staff system (treble and bass clefs) with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It consists of five systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The score begins with a common time signature (C) and ends with a double bar line.

*Sit*

## Offering

The Rite of Confirmation

LSB 272

Oh, Blest the House

LSB 862

*Stand*

## Prayer of the Church

### Lord's Prayer

**C** 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

LSB 202

**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** A - men, a - men, a - men.

## My Faith Looks Up to Thee

LSB 702

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## THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who bought cookie dough or pancakes! Thanks to you and a few other donors, my project is now fully funded. I am very grateful. Within the next few weeks, my troop and I will be purchasing supplies and building three flower planters (two at standing height, and one at wheelchair height) for the residents at Medical Park West Nursing Home. -Peter O'Loughlin

## VOTERS' MEETING

There will be a Voters' Meeting after the late service on March 17.

## LENTEN SERVICES & MEALS

Join us each Wednesday during Lent. Our meal will begin at 6:00 p.m. and our service is at 7:00 p.m. We hope to see you there!

## PALS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Join us for a Pancake Breakfast to help fundraise for St. John's School! Breakfast will be from 8-11am on Saturday, March 16. Entry will be \$8 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. We hope to see you there!

## IN OUR PRAYERS

**Zoey Dailey:** Rite of Confirmation.

**Bode Reichert:** Rite of Confirmation.

**Don Owens:** Recovering from shoulder surgery.

**Karen Barbre:** will have extensive and delicate surgery on her left arm this Tuesday at the Healthplex in Norman.

**Family of Bill Shultz:** passed away.

**Family of Lori Kelly:** passed away.

**Recent Wildfires:** Those affected here in Oklahoma and Texas.

## BIRTHDAYS

**3/10:** Abigail Baird, Nancy Self

**3/11:** Jo Carter

**3/14:** John O'Loughin, Rory Payne,  
Steve Self

**3/17:** Ashley Andexler, Fred Reichert,  
Susan Wiest

## READINGS

**3/10•** Gen. 37:1-36 Mark 10:1-12

**3/11•** Gen. 39:1-23 Mark 10:13-31

**3/12•** Gen. 40:1-23 Mark 10:32-52

**3/13•** Gen. 41:1-27 Mark 11:1-19

**3/14•** Gen. 41:28-57 Mark 11:20-33

**3/15•** Gen. 42:1-34, 38 Mark 12:1-12

**3/16•** Gen. 43:1-28 Mark 12:13-27

**3/17•** Gen. 44:1-18, 32-34 Mark 12:28-44

## ANNIVERSARIES

**3/14:** Larry & Kathleen Peck

**3/15:** Pete & Wanda Shurow

### Attendance

Sunday 3/3: 113



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