FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

"Get Behind Me, Satan! I'm Baptized!" February 18, 2024



Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. *Ephesians 6:11*

Mount Hope Lutheran Church

Sunday Service - 9:30am Sunday Bible Study – after Service Wednesday Bible Study – 10:30am (313) 565- 9445 5323 Southfield Allen Park, MI 48101

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Welcome! Members and Guests

We are blessed to have you here today. Please fill out the Guest/Member Attendance Card located in the pew rack in front of you. Guests please include your full address, zip code, and phone number. The cards will be collected by the ushers early in the service. Prayer Requests cards are available in the pew racks and should be handed to the ushers when the attendance cards are collected.

Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper is a sacrament in which Jesus' body and blood are given in and with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26-30). When we receive the Holy Communion at a church, we are making a public statement that we agree with the teachings of that church (1 Corinthians 10:14-18). The Bible cautions us against receiving the body and blood of Christ in a manner that is spiritually harmful (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). Therefore, we invite to the Lord's Supper those who have been instructed and confirmed in the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod.

Large Print Bulletins

Large print worship guides are available at the ushers' stand.

Listening Devices

Listening devices are available; our ushers will be glad to assist you in signing one out for today's service.

Pew Cushions

Pew cushions are available; our ushers will be glad to get them for you.

Wheelchair Accessible Seating

Wheelchair seating is located in the fifth row from the front of the church on the left and right side of the center aisle.

Church Nursery

Our Nursery is located in the Parlor, which is the first room next to the stained glass doors. The worship service can be heard in this room. The ushers can direct you to this room.

Our Divine Service, & Bible Studies

Our Divine Service is held on Sundays at 09:30 a.m. Bible Study is held on Sundays after Service and Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Our Bible studies are held Sep-May.

Our Vision Statement: Revitalize Within—Reach Out!

PRELUDE RINGING OF THE BELLS PREPARATION

Pastor: We focus today our attention on the Gospel reading from Mark 1, where Jesus is baptized and then sent into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. In our lives, we face temptations just as Jesus faced. Just as Jesus can remember His Baptism and the Father's words to Him, "You are My beloved Son," so too when Satan tempts us, we remember our Baptism. We remember the Father's words to us that we are His beloved children, that we are forgiven in Jesus.

№ PREPARATION

(Please stand)

HYMN

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" LSB 657

A mighty fortress is our God

A sword and shield victorious

He breaks the cruel oppressor's rod

And wins salvation glorious

The old satanic foe

Has sworn to work us woe

With craft and dreadful might

He arms himself to fight

On earth he has no equal

No strength of ours can match his might
We would be lost rejected
But now a champion comes to fight
Whom God Himself elected
You ask who this may be
The Lord of hosts is He
Christ Jesus mighty Lord
God's only Son adored
He holds the field victorious

Though hordes of devils fill the land
All threat'ning to devour us
We tremble not unmoved we stand
They cannot over pow'r us
Let this world's tyrant rage
In battle we'll engage
His might is doomed to fail
God's judgment must prevail
One little word subdues him

God's Word forever shall abide
No thanks to foes who fear it
Or God Himself fights by our side
With weapons of the Spirit
Were they to take our house
Goods honor child or spouse
Though life be wrenched away
They cannot win the day
The Kingdom's ours forever

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: It was in this triune name of God that we were baptized—

People: the name of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Pastor: As we begin our Lenten journey, we remember our Baptism.

People: We remember we were washed and forgiven.

Pastor: We remember we were made members of God's family.

People: We remember we were united with Jesus.

(Please be seated or kneel, as you are able, for the confession and absolution)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Though we are baptized and united with Jesus, we often act as if we were separated from Jesus. There are times when we fall prey to Satan and his temptations. There are times when sin reigns within us. Still, our heavenly Father is merciful, and He invites us to draw near to Him in repentance, asking for forgiveness.

Silence for reflection.

Pastor: Heavenly Father,

People: we have ignored Your help in resisting Satan and His temptations. We have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. Yet our entire lives are lives of repentance. Have mercy on us. Forgive our sins, and lead us in righteousness, on account of Jesus. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son,
Jesus Christ, to endure temptation, suffering, and
death for us and our salvation. As a called and
ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I
therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of
the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. We are forgiven. We are baptized into Christ.

(Please stand)

₩ WORD ₩

HYMN

"On Eagles' Wings" LSB 727 vs 1-4
You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord
Who abide in His shadow for life
Say to the Lord My refuge
My rock in whom I trust

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand

The snare of the fowler will never capture you
And famine will bring you no fear
Under His wings your refuge
His faithfulness your shield

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand

KYRIE (sing) p. 186 in hymnal

People: Lord, have mercy upon us Christ, have mercy upon us Lord, have mercy upon us

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, You endured the temptations of Satan in the wilderness. Be present with us on our Lenten journey toward the cross and empty tomb, always mindful of our identity as those baptized in Your name, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

(Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 22:1–18 ESV

After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." 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 I am, 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 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." 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." And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, 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, and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 25:1-10; antiphon: v. 14

Pastor: The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him, and he makes known to them his covenant. To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me. Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame; they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous. Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD! Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way. All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies. The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him, and he makes known to them his covenant.

EPISTLE James 1:12–18 ESV

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. 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. But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death. Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. 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. 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.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

VERSE Ephesians 6:11

Pastor: Put on the whole armor of God,

People: that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first

chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 1:9–15 ESV

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 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. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. 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. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

PRAYER REQUESTS & ATTENDANCE CARDS

Please pass your prayer requests and yellow attendance cards to the individual sitting nearest the aisle and the usher will collect them during the singing of the hymn of the day.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"All Christians Who Have Been Baptized" LSB 596 vs 1, 5 & 6

All Christians who have been baptized
Who know the God of heaven
And in whose daily life is prized
The name of Christ once given
Consider now what God has done
The gifts He gives to ev'ryone
Baptized into Christ Jesus

O Christian, Firmly hold this gift
And give God thanks forever!
It gives the power to uplift
In all that you endeavor
When nothing else revives your soul
Your Baptism stands and makes you whole
And then in death completes you

So use it well! You are made new In Christ a new creation!
As faithful Christians, live and o Within your own vocation
Until that day when you possess
His glorious robe of righteousness
Bestowed on you forever

++ **SERMON** ++

(Please stand)

NICENE CREED

People: 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 \(\mathbb{Y}\) of the world to come. Amen.

(Please be seated or kneel, as you are able, for the Prayers of the Church)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. For a mighty fortress is our God,

People: a sword and shield victorious.

Pastor: Lord God, You are our sword and shield against the attacks of Satan. As we journey through this Lenten season, protect us from the assaults of the devil, remind us of our Baptism, and keep our eyes fixed on Jesus. For a mighty fortress is our God,

People: a sword and shield victorious.

Pastor: Lord God, every good and perfect gift comes from You. Thank You for the many blessings You have poured into our lives. Help us to accept what You give and ask for what we need. Protect us from a life of perpetual dissatisfaction and lead us toward a life of gratitude.

For a mighty fortress is our God,

People: a sword and shield victorious.

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Pastor: Lord God, we pray for all those who are not yet baptized into Christ, that the Spirit would lead them toward the promises of Baptism and the family of the church. For a mighty fortress is our God,

People: a sword and shield victorious.

Pastor: Lord God, we pray for our nation and its leaders. For President Biden and Vice President Harris and their staffs, for Congress and all lawmakers, for the Supreme Court and all judges. We pray that You, Lord, would make Your ways and paths known to them, that You would lead them in the truth and teach them. For a mighty fortress is our God,

People: a sword and shield victorious.

Pastor: Lord God, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering, Have mercy upon them and restore them to health according to Your will. For a mighty fortress is our God,

People: a sword and shield victorious.

Pastor: Lord God, we commend all of these people and situations into Your hands, for You have promised to hear our prayers, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

(Please be seated)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN

"Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast" LSB 577 vs 1 & 4
Almighty God Your Word is cast
Like seed into the ground
Now let the dew of heav'n descend
And righteous fruits abound

So when the precious seed is sown
Life giving grace bestow
That all whose souls the truth receive
Its saving pow'r may know

▼ SACRAMENT ▼

PREFACE 2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who was revealed as Your beloved Son in the waters of the Jordan and who walked the road of temptation without sin. 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 (sing) LSB 195

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory
Hosanna Hosanna
Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is He Blessed is He
Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord
Hosanna, Hosanna
Hosanna in the highest

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to be our mighty fortress against the assaults of the devil, so that we Your baptized children might praise You without fear. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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

Pastor: 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."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9–13

People: 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.

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI (Sung) LSB 198

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. Amen.

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"Go to Dark Gethsemane" LSB 436 vs 1 & 2
Go to dark Gethsemane
All who feel the tempter's pow'r
Your Redeemer's conflict see
Watch with Him one bitter hour
Turn not from His griefs away
Learn from Jesus Christ to pray

Follow to the judgment hall View the Lord of life arraigned Oh the wormwood and the gall Oh the pangs His soul sustained Shun not suff'ring shame or loss Learn from Him to bear the cross

(Please stand)

THE POST-DISTRIBUTION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.

People: (spoken) Amen

THE NUNC DIMITTIS (sung) TLH p. 29-30

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. 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

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this Meal. Help us to resist temptation by daily reminding us of our identity as Your baptized children; through Jesus

Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24–26

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

HYMN

"O Christ, You Walked the Road" LSB 685 vs 1 & 2

Let us ever walk with Jesus

Follow His example pure

Through a world that would deceive us

And to sin our spirits lure

Onward in His footsteps treading

Pilgrims here, our home above

Full of faith and hope and love

Let us do our Father's bidding

Faithful Lord, with me abide

I shall follow where You guide

Let us suffer here with Jesus
And with patience bear our cross
Joy will follow all our sadness
Where He is, there is no loss
Though today we sow no laughter
We shall reap celestial joy
All discomforts that annoy
Shall give way to mirth here after
Jesus, here I share Your woe
Help me there Your joy to know

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

Rev. Paul Pollatz, Pastor
Marie Brown, Organist
Jim Bumgarner, Elder & Reader
Bill Switter, Dave Brown & Kathy King, Ushers

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

VBS is Coming....

Monday May 20- Thursday May 23 from 3:30pm to 4:30pm

BINGO!

February 28th

Quilting

Every Thursday from 10am to 2pm

Attendance

Sunday February 11th

9:30 am 37

Prayer List

If sudden illness or the need for immediate prayers occurs, please feel free to contact Nancy Dajos at 313-254-2437. Prayer requests will remain on the list for two weeks.

Anniversary Birthdays

Ken Kosmalski – February 21st Sandy Cairns – February 23rd

For the Shut-Ins

Judy Ohannasian, at home
Dorothy MacTavish, at home
Camell Faulk, at home
Phyllis Witte, at rehab
Melvin Kimbrough, at home
Lynn Mayfield, at home

For Those Who Are Sick or Healing

Tonya, Mick, Carson, Kevin, Denise & Family, safe travel, staying well and peace

Gary & Val Mason, Safe travels

John Bommer, Pan Benford's cousin, Healing from triple hernia surgery.

Frances Ladach, as she continues to recover from an illness

Lori, Friend of Ruth Pollatz, terminal illness

Anita Hoelscher, Friend of Ruth Pollatz, Home recovering

Lauri Brooner, Friend of Linda Panich, as she undergoes bone marrow transplant

Art Warren, Friend of Lori Wilson, for speedy recovery from kidney surgery at UofM

Christian Warden, success for cancer surgery
 Mike, Nephew of Frank & Laurie Pignanelli, recovery from injury and surgery
 Pat Bates, Home
 Bev Kero, At home Recovering
 April Assemany – loss of family members

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AT MOUNT HOPE

Sunday	9:30am – Worship w/HC
February 18	Bible Study after Service
Wednesday	10:30 am Bible Study
February 21	20.00 am Diole State,
Thursday	10am Quilting
February 22	Tourn Quitting
Friday	Office Closed
February 23	
Saturday	5pm Service
February 24	Spin Service
Sunday	9:30am – Worship w/HC
February 25	Bible Study after Service

