

## **SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

March 13, 2022

### **THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION**

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **THE RINGING OF THE BELLS**

Pastor: Throughout biblical history, God used prophets to call His people to repentance with the promise of mercy. God's mercy should encourage us to return to Him, but too often, the people of God have refused His care. That is the story of Jeremiah, who was sent by the Lord to speak His Word, warn His people of disaster if they refused Him, and promise mercy to all who repent. It is also our story. The Law warns us of the failure to confess our sins and the Gospel promises forgiveness to all who confess and believe in our Lord Jesus Christ. Today, we pray the Lord to grant us hearts willing to hear His Word, confess our sins, believe in the forgiveness of Christ, and rejoice in this blessing all our days.

(Please stand)

**✠ PREPARATION ✠**

## **HYMN**

“Chief of Sinners Though I Be” *LSB 611 vs 1,3,5*

**Chief of sinners though I be,  
Jesus shed His blood for me.  
Died that I might live on high,  
Lives that I might never die.  
As the branch is to the vine,  
I am His, and He is mine.**

**Only Jesus can impart  
Balm to heal the wounded heart,  
Peace that flows from sin forgiv'n,  
Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,  
Faith and hope to walk with God  
In the way Enoch trod.**

**O my Savior help afford  
By Your Spirit and Your Word  
When my wayward heart would stray  
Keep me in the narrow way  
Grace in time of need supply  
While I live and when I die**

## **INVOCATION**

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

**People:** (spoken) **Amen.**

(Please be seated or kneel for the confession and absolution)

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** *Psalm 74:1*

Pastor: O God, why do You cast us off forever?

**People: Why does Your anger smoke against the sheep of Your pasture?**

Pastor: May the Lord direct us to the ruins of our righteousness

**People: that we may learn repentance.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection.*

Pastor: O Lord,

**People: we poor sinners cry to You and beg Your mercy. We confess that we have lived as if You did not matter and as if we mattered most of all. Our Lord's name we have not honored as we should; our worship and prayers have faltered. We have not loved God above all things, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done the good Your Word desires and have done the evil Your Word forbids. May God be merciful to us, forgive us all our sins, and strengthen our faith for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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: (spoken) Amen.**

Pastor: May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**People:** (spoken) **Amen.**

(Please stand)

✠ **WORD** ✠

### **INTROIT LITANY**

Pastor: O God, the Father in heaven,

**People: have mercy upon us.**

Pastor: O God, the Son, Redeemer of the world,

**People: have mercy upon us.**

Pastor: O God, the Holy Spirit, sanctifier of the faithful,

**People: have mercy upon us.**

Pastor: Remember not our offenses, but forgive us, O Lord,

**People: whom You have redeemed with Your most precious blood.**

Pastor: From all blindness, hardness of heart, and impenitence,

**People: good Lord, deliver us.**

Pastor: From all pride, hypocrisy, anger, hatred, and greed,

**People: good Lord, deliver us.**

Pastor: From the deceit of the devil, from the lure of the world, and our own flesh,

**People: good Lord, deliver us.**

Pastor: In time of danger, in the hour of trial, and in the day of judgment,

**People: good Lord, deliver us.**

Pastor: Lord, have mercy upon us.

**People: Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Pastor: Lord, have mercy upon us.

**People: Save us, O Lord, for the sake of Your name.  
Amen.**

## **SALUTATION**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: (spoken) And also with you.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Merciful Lord, because of Your mercy, we pray, deliver us from our pride and arrogance and bring us to repentance, that we may know the refuge of Your mercy, be comforted with a clear conscience through the forgiveness of sins, and serve in the obedience of faith; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray.

**People: (spoken) Amen.**

(Please be seated)

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DAY

Pastor: On this Second Sunday in Lent, we are reminded that the Lord is rich in mercy and willing to forgive our sins and save us by His grace, but we are not always ready to approach Him in the humility of faith and with a heart of repentance. From the prophet **Jeremiah** comes the story of how the Word of the Lord was met with rejection, anger, and rebellion. In **Philippians**, a sorrowful Paul recounts the story of those who once believed but now walk as enemies of the Lord. **In the Gospel**, we hear the lament of the Lord who wanted to gather His people under the arms of His mercy, but they would not.

## OLD TESTAMENT READING *Jeremiah 26:8–15 ESV*

And when Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, “You shall die! Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, ‘This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant?’” And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD. When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD. Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, “This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your

own ears.” Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, “The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the LORD your God, and the LORD will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the LORD sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears.”

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** (spoken) **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE** *Philippians 3:17–4:1 ESV*

Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself. Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** (spoken) **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

**People:** (sing) **Glory to You, O Lord.**

**HOLY GOSPEL** *Luke 13:31–35 ESV*

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” And he said to them, “Go and tell that fox, ‘Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course. Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.’ O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** (sing) **Praise to You, O Christ.**



## **CREED**

*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 ☩ of the world to come.  
Amen.**

(Please be seated)

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower” LSB 694*

**Thee will I love, my strength, my tower**

**Thee will I love, my hope, my joy**

**Thee will I love with all my power**

**With ardor time shall ne'er destroy**

**Thee will I love, O Light divine**

**So long as life is mine**

**Thee will I love, my life, my Savior**

**Who art my best and trusted friend**

**Thee will I love and praise forever**

**For never shall Thy kindness end**

**Thee will I love with all my heart**

**Thou my redeemer art**

I thank Thee, Jesus, Sun from heaven  
Whose radiance hath brought light to me  
I thank Thee, who hast richly given  
All that could make me glad and free  
I thank Thee that my soul is healed  
By what Thy lips revealed

O keep me watchful then and humble  
Permit me never more to stray  
Uphold me when my feet would stumble  
And keep me on the narrow way  
Fill all my nature with Thy light  
O Radiance strong and bright

**++ SERMON ++**

**CRISIS AVERTED!!**

Text: Jeremiah 26:8–15 ESV

**Theme:** Will God's Word preached to us avert the crisis of our eternal disaster?

**Goal:** That that all listening gladly hear and learn God's preached Word of Christ, through which the Holy Spirit brings repentance and creates and sustains saving faith.

(Please stand)

**OFFERTORY** LSB pages 192-193 (we sing)

**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.**

(please be seated or kneel for the prayer as you are able)

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor: Bidden by Your mercy, O Lord, we come in prayer to petition Your aid for the Church, the nation, the sick, and all people who have requested our prayers.

O Lord, as once You warned Your people to mend their ways and their deeds and heed the voice of Your Word, so grant us grace that we mend our sinful ways, repent of all the things we have done wrong, and heed the voice of Your Word. Bring us to the obedience of faith that we may enjoy Your mercy and tender compassion. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** (spoken) **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Grant grace to Your Church and those who preach and teach Your Word, that they be faithful to Your Word and truth and that Your Church may prosper and many be brought to faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** (spoken) **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Guide and prosper our nation in paths of goodness and virtue. Bless our president, governor, and all elected and appointed government officials, that we may be free to worship You in spirit and truth and live as godly citizens while on earth. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** (spoken) **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Deliver us from stubbornness of heart and willful desire that we may learn in all humility and patience and share with others the Gospel of the cross. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** (spoken) **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Show Your compassion to all who cry to You for mercy and who bear any afflictions of body and soul, . . . Grant them healing in accordance with Your will and patience until Your deliverance comes. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** (spoken) **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Give us generous hearts, that what we have received we share with those in need and that we support the work of Your kingdom with all our abilities and with the tithes and offerings we bring. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** (spoken) **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Humble our hearts that we may approach Your altar in good conscience, forgiven of our sins and trusting in Jesus' Word. Grant that we come united in doctrine, receive here His body and blood with thanksgiving, and depart His Table to serve our neighbor in love. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** (spoken) **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Hear Your people, O Lord, who come to You at Your own invitation, with the concerns of our hearts and praise of our lips, trusting that You will grant us all things needful and protect us from all things harmful to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray.

**People:** (spoken) **Amen.**

## ✠ SACRAMENT ✠

**PREFACE** *2 Timothy 4:22*

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** (spoken) **And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** (spoken) **We lift them to the Lord.**

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** (spoken) **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

## **PROPER PREFACE**

**Pastor:** With great thanksgiving, we come at Your bidding to offer You the praise and worship You are due, O Lord, for the mercy that sustained Your people of old until You delivered up Your own Son to the cross, the Lamb of God for the sins of the world. Rejoicing in all that He has accomplished for our salvation, we anticipate and await the day when, one in Your presence, we shall celebrate the unending feast. Now with angels and archangels and with the whole company of heaven, we join in praising Your name and saying:

**SANCTUS** (SUNG) 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: From the foundations of the world, O Lord, You have made Yourself known as a God of mercy, giving the promise to Adam and Eve in the garden, sending forth the prophets to speak hope in Your name, and calling Your people to repentance and faith. We give You thanks that now in these latter days You have fully revealed Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, in the cross where our salvation was made, and in the resurrection which prefigures our own reunion in heaven. Keep us in this faith and fear that we may endure in faith to the end and be saved for Your mercy's sake.

**People:** (spoken) **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: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Pastor: Recalling the saving acts by which we have been redeemed—our Lord’s incarnation and obedient life, His suffering and death upon the cross, His resurrection from the dead, and His ascension to Your right hand—we give You thanks and praise, and we await the day when He shall appear to bring all things to their final consummation in the marriage feast of the Lamb without end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People:** (spoken) **Amen.**



**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:** (spoken) **Amen.**

**AGNUS DEI** (sing) 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**

“Jesus Loves Me! This I Know” *LSB* 588

**Jesus loves me this I know  
For the Bible tells me so  
Little ones to Him belong  
They are weak but He is strong**

**Yes, Jesus loves me  
Yes, Jesus loves me  
Yes, Jesus loves me  
The Bible tells me so**

**Jesus loves me He who died  
Heaven's gate to open wide  
He has washed away my sin  
Let His little child come in**

**Yes, Jesus loves me  
Yes, Jesus loves me  
Yes, Jesus loves me  
The Bible tells me so**

(please stand at the conclusion of the distribution for the blessing  
followed by the Post-Communion Canticle)

## **THE POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

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

**People:** (spoken) **Amen.**

## **POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

### **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.

Come to the aid of Your people, O Lord, and turn us from our sin to Christ that we may live for You alone. Deliver unbelievers from the prison of darkness and the curse of death that through repentance they may gladly hear Your Word, confess their sins, receive Your forgiveness, and grow, together with us, into the fullness of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** (spoken) **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:** (spoken) **Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

Pastor: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

**People:** (spoken) **Thanks be to God.**

## **HYMN**

“Children of the Heavenly Father” *LSB 725*

**Children of the heav'nly Father**

**Safely in His bosom gather**

**Nestling bird nor star in heaven**

**Such a refuge e'er was given**

**God His own doth tend and nourish**

**In His holy courts they flourish**

**From all evil things He spares them**

**In His mighty arms He bears them**

**Neither life nor death shall ever**

**From the Lord His children sever**

**Unto them His grace He showeth**

**And their sorrows all He knoweth**

**Though He giveth or He taketh**

**God His children ne'er forsaketh**

**His the loving purpose solely**

**To preserve them pure and holy**

## THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

Rev. Paul Pollatz, Pastor

Marie Brown, Organist

Bill Switter, Elder

Jim Bumgarner, Reader

Jim Bumgarner & Frank Pignanelli, Ushers

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Easter Egg Hunt Donations

We are looking for donations of candy to fill eggs.

Please place donations in box in the narthex.

Deadline is April 3<sup>rd</sup>

### Important Information

The board of Elder's decided to **ADD** a 12:00pm service  
for Good Friday

### Are you in need of

Snow Removal

Spring Clean Up

Grass Cutting

Small Landscaping jobs

Please call **Ryan Ladach Jr @ 947-252-0363**

### Attendance

Sunday March 6<sup>th</sup>                      9:30 am   51

### Prayer List

If sudden illness or the need for immediate prayers occurs, please feel free to contact our Prayer Chain leader, Joan Hafkesbrink, at 313.565.6871. Prayer requests will remain on the list for two weeks.

## **Anniversary**

### **Birthdays**

Patricia Bates – March 16<sup>th</sup>

### **For the Shut-Ins**

*Dorothy MacTavish, at home*

*George Morton, at home*

*Carmell Faulk, at home*

*Phyllis Witte, at home*

*Melvin Kimbrough, at home*

*Lynn Mayfield, at home*

### **For Those Who Are Sick or Healing**

**Shari Ballard & Family**, whose father was called to glory;

**Paul Utcai**, recovering from surgery;

**Derick Kimbrough**, Carolyn Kimbrough's Son, radiation treatments

**Chris Sloan**, Nephew of Glenn Cairns

**Gail LaFave**, Cheryl Tom's Sister, at home now, healing from surgery to repair injuries from fall.

**Mark Greenaway**, Amy, Frank's Daughter, Amy's father in law, hospitalized, biopsy;