

First Sunday in Lent
March 9, 2025

Prelude / Bell / Welcome

Call to Worship

L: Lent calls us to journey, this and every day, following Jesus wherever he leads us.

C: Lent calls us to journey: to the place where God covenants with us, to be reminded of who we are.

L: Lent calls us to worship together, to tell future generations the good news.

C: Lent calls us to practice love, to bring God's hope to all people.

L: Lent calls us to faithful living, to trust the One who gives us life.

C: Lent calls each of us to take up our cross, to trust the One who bears it with us.

L: Lent calls us to journey with God.

C: Let us worship God, who walks with us, And who is our song, this and every day. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Hymn

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

ELW 618

Sharing the Peace

Prayer

L: Gracious God,

C: your Son fasted in the wilderness, and faced human temptations. Give us courage to face and name our own temptations, and to direct our lives in obedience to your Spirit. You know us better than we know ourselves; may we know you and grow closer to the vision you have for us, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Reading

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

L: You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."

C: Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place, no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.

L: For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

C: On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

L: You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

C: Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.

L: When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them.

C: With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

Reading

Romans 10:8b-13

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

pg. 205 in front of ELW hymnal

*We are turning, Lord, to hear you; you are merciful and kind -
Slow to anger, rich in blessing, and with love to us inclined.*

Gospel Reading

Luke 4:1-13

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ**

Message

Hymn

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song

ELW 808

Apostles Creed

Prayers

Offering

Great [Thanksgiving](#)

L: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,

C: you have brought us this far along the way.

L: In times of bitterness you did not abandon us, but guided us into the path of love and light.

C: In every age you sent prophets to make known your loving will for all humanity.

L: The cry of the poor has become your own cry;

C: our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire.

L: In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant

**C: to preach good news to the afflicted, to break bread with the outcast and despised,
and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.**

Words of Institution

L: For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Lord's Prayer

Communion

Blessing / Benediction

Hymn

There in God's Garden

ELW 342 (vs. 1-4)

Dismissal

*You are a beloved child of God, deserving of love and respect,
and God is using you to care for the world.*

We Thank

Ushers; Tech Desk

Reader: Larry Powers

Organist/ Pianist: RaNae Martinson

Communion

Nordland's Week

March 9, 2025

Today 9:30 am

Education; Fellowship & Facility Audit Forum

10:30 am

Communion Worship

11:30 am

Education Board Meeting

Wed. 9:00 am

NLCW & Bible Study

6:15 / 7:00 pm

Soup & Sandwich Supper- Sisters at Heart / Lent Service

8:00 am

Men's Group

Sun. 9:30 /10:30

Education (Age 3 – Adult) & Fellowship /Communion Worship

March is Food Shelf Month- The “shopping cart” is out and available for your donations of either grocery items (non-perishable) and or monetary. Please specify “food shelf” in the memo if you are writing a check. Thanks in advance for your generosity for supporting our broader community.

Sisters at Heart will meet on Thursday, March 20, 6 pm at church, potluck appetizers.

Paynesville’s Let’s Go Fishing “Fish Fry & Silent Auction” at Queen Bee’s, Paynesville on April 4, 4:30 – 7 pm. Serving: Fish, scalloped potatoes, coleslaw, baked beans, coffee, milk & ice cream. Tickets: \$14 advance, \$15 at the door, kids 5-12 \$7, and 4 & under free.

Youth Summer Mission Trip- July 19-23 in Madison Wisconsin, we will be serving alongside Serve Boldly, a ministry of Green Lake Lutheran Ministries. Youth who will have completed 8 – 12 grades are invited.

Mission Fest- Sat., April 26, 2025! Seeking individuals (single or couples) to be on the committee to plan the fest! Please contact Nancy Drange 320-905-3362 or Becky Thompson 320-293-6008 for more information and/or to volunteer. Thank You!