

2023

“Gloria In Excelsis Deo”



WELCOME TO WORSHIP FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

**Outdoor worshipers, tune your car radio to 106.1 FM to
hear and join in today's Worship service**

*Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of His holiness.
Psalm 29:1, 2*

Call Statement:

“My call is to share my Faith in Christ”

Mission Statement:

*“To live my Faith in Christ I will build loving relationships
so others will become disciples with Jesus as Lord and Savior.”*

WELCOME AND PRAYER

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Leader: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Leader: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness....Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. 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 minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

All: **And also with you**

(Share the Peace for the LORD with each other)

SONG

To God Be the Glory

Verse 1

To God be the glory! Great things He hath done!
So loved He the world That He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life An atonement for sin,
And opened the life gate That all may go in.

Chorus

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the earth hear His voice!

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the people rejoice!!

O come to the Father Through Jesus the Son;
And give Him the glory, Great things He hath done!

Verse 2

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Chorus

Verse 3

Great things He hath taught us,
Great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son:
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our worship, when Jesus we see!

Chorus

APOSTOLIC GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and
the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray: Lord God, heavenly Father,

All: **Just as the adversary continually afflicts us and as a roaring lion walks about, seeking to devour us, for the sake of the suffering and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, help us by the grace of the Holy Spirit and strengthen our hearts by Your Word, that our enemy may not prevail over us, but that we may always abide in Your grace and be preserved to eternal life, through Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One True God, now and forever. Amen.** *Veit Dietrich, Friend of Luther & theologian*

LESSONS

Genesis 3:1 - 21

Romans 5:12 - 19

GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1 - 11

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

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HYMN

LBW #99

O Lord, throughout These Forty Days

Verse 1

O Lord, throughout these forty days
You prayed and kept the fast;
Inspire repentance for our sin, And free us from our past.

Verse 2

You strove with Satan, and You won;
Your faithfulness endured;
Lend us Your nerve, Your skill and trust
In God's eternal Word.

Verse 3

Though parched and hungry, yet You prayed
And fixed Your mind above;
So teach us to deny ourselves That we may know God's love.

Verse 4

Be with us through this season, Lord,
And all our earthly days,
That when the final Easter dawns, We join in heaven's praise.

APOSTLES' CREED (in unison)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us be united as the Church in heart and mind as we go to our heavenly Father in prayer..

Pastor: *(After each petition. . .) Lord, in your mercy;*

All: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: . . . Accept, O Lord, the prayers of Your faithful people for the well being of Your holy Church throughout the world. Govern and sanctify it, with all its pastors and ministers, by Your Holy Spirit, that we may be kept by Your Word in true Faith and fervent love toward You and one another.

All: **Amen.**

THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: **and also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

All: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

All: **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.**

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION INSIDE

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you by His grace unto life everlasting.

All: **Amen.**

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray. Eternal God,

All: **We give You thanks, that You have refreshed us
through the healing power of this gift of life; and we
pray that in Your mercy You would strengthen us,**

through this gift, in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SENDING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray. Heavenly Father,

All: **Open my eyes, open my heart, so I see and have compassion on broken and lost people around me. Move me to bring Hope into their lives with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Give me courage. Give me patience. Guide my words. Through me I pray they experience Jesus' redeeming Love. I ask in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

All: **Amen.**

HYMN

LBW #479

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Verse 1

**My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine!**

**Now hear me while I pray; Take all my guilt away.
Oh, let me from this day Be wholly Thine!**

Verse 2

**May Thy rich grace impart Strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire.**

**As Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be, A living fire!**

Verse 3

**While life's dark maze I tread, And griefs around me spread
Be Thou my Guide.**

**Bid darkness turn to day; Wipe sorrow's tears away;
Nor let me ever stray From Thee aside!**

Verse 4

**When ends life's transient dream,
When death's cold, sullen stream**

Shall o'er me roll;

**Blest Savior, then in love, Fear and distrust remove;
Oh, bear me safe above, A ransomed soul!**

THE DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go and be a witness for the Lord!

All: **Thanks be to God!**

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION OUTSIDE

NEXT SUNDAY March 5, 2023

Second Sunday in Lent

Readings for Next Sunday

Genesis 12:1-9 Psalm 121 Romans 4:1-8,13-17

John 3:1-17

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to share in the worship and JOY of the LORD!**