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Welcome!

"God Himself is present: Let us now adore Him And with awe appear before Him. God is in His temple; All within keep silence; Humbly kneel in deepest rev'rence. He alone On His throne Is our God and Savior; Praise His name forever! Hymn 907 st.1 LSB



Today we celebrate the Sacrament of our Lord Jesus Christ's true body and true blood. Reception of the Lord's Supper expresses not only fellowship with the Lord, but also fellowship and agreement with the teaching of the pastor and congregation. We want to express our sincere welcome to our guests and assure them that out of care for each person and a desire to be faithful to God's

Holy Communion that out of care for each person and a decided communion. All guests are kindly asked to please speak with Pastor Gaunt before communing at our altar. Normally, people from churches in fellowship with the LCMS, are welcome to partake. Those not communing, who so desire, may come to the altar to receive a blessing. So that the pastor knows you desire a blessing please cross your arms over your chest. Please pray with us that we might all be truly united in the teaching of our Lord's precious word. (For further study: 1 Cor. 11:17-34; Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 6:26-29.)

Prayers of the Church

Circuit Congregation Grace, Franklin Hospice + Maxine Weseman Health Issues + Rev. Scott Porath + Shannon Jackson + Glen Krueger + Vicci Willmon + June Rose + John Parsons + Dee Janssen Missions David Preus Family, Heartland Lutheran, Wellspring Pregnancy Health Center, Zion Classical Academy Military + Ross Peters + Gary Thompson Family Members + Jenny Brogan + Rodney Rose + Sarah Kline + Gail Jacques + Keith Jackson + Duane Hoegren + Kara Nissen

In His Service

Presiding Minister: Rev. Micah Gaunt

Organist: Dr. Phil Hesterman Cantor: Mr. David Witt Altar Guild: March Kathy LeBeau, Tonda Wolfe Elders: Dick LeBeau, Dustin Russell, Dale Bauman

Acolyte: Arnold Gaunt

Gifts of Time and Treasure

For more Financial Information see monthly newsletter. A complete accounting of all financials are provided at each Quarterly Voters' Meeting. Questions? Jerry Blazer, Treasurer 402-303-0932

The Lord's Week

Sunday	Mar. 17	9:00am 10:15am	Divine Service Sunday School, Bible Study-opening
Monday-Frid Monday	lay Mar. 18	8:30am 11:00am 4:30pm 5p-7:30pm	Daily Prayer Service Senior Bible Study Stewardship Bridging Forward - Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	M ar. 19	9:30am	Bible Study
Wednesday	Mar. 20	2:00pm 5:00pm 5:30pm 6:00pm 7:00pm	Calling + Caring Communion Meal - Trustees Choir Practice Lenten Worship
Sunday	Mar. 24	9:00am 10:15am	Divine Service Sunday School, Bible Study-opening

Jesus Is Our Redemption

In the temple Jesus said, "If anyone keeps my word, he will never see death" (John 8:51). For Jesus came to taste death for us—to drink the cup of suffering to the dregs in order that we might be released from its power. Clinging to His life-giving words, we are delivered from death's sting and its eternal judgment. Christ is our High Priest, who entered the Most Holy Place and with His own blood obtained everlasting redemption for His people (Heb. 9:11–15). He is the One who was before Abraham was, and yet is his descendant. He is the promised Son who carries the wood up the mountain for the sacrifice, who is bound and laid upon the altar of the cross. He is the ram who is offered in our place, who is willingly caught in the thicket of our sin, and who wears the crown of thorns upon His head (Gen. 22:1–14). Though Jesus is dishonored by the sons of the devil, He is vindicated by the Father through the cross.

Liturgical Note for the Fifth Sunday in Lent (Judica)

Today marks the beginning of Passiontide. Today we see clear opposition to our Lord as the Jews take up rocks, ready to stone Him. At the end of the gospel lesson we hear the words "... Jesus hid himself", at which time the images of Jesus and His cross are veiled. Likewise, we refrain from singing the "Gloria Patri" at the end of the *Introit* and *Nunc Dimittis*. These are the last of our liturgical fasts before the glorious announcement of Christ's resurrection at the Easter Vigil on Saturday night.



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Service of the Word

Hymn of the Day

Sermon

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Kyrie
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Epistle Reading
Tract
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John 8: 46-59

Apostles' Creed Prayer of the Church

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Service of the Sacrament Preface & Proper Preface

Sanctus & Prayer of Thanksgiving Lord's Prayer The Words of Our Lord Pax Domini & Agnus Dei

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Benediction

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Announcements *P: Go In Peace*

C: 'Thanks Be To God!

Postlude

News and Notes of Interest

<u>Divine Service</u>: Sunday, Divine Service 9 AM 10:15 AM Sunday School, Bible Study, opening

Meals will be provided by groups through Lent. Please support our groups and enjoy a good meal and good fellowship, free will offering to help defray costs.

Birthdays 3/17 Marian Kerr, Heather Young 3/18 Hailey Dalland, Wanda Portenier 3/19 Tammi Blazer 3/21 Ashley Dalland 3/22 Gloria Raab, Violet Nunnenkamp, Jeremy Shuler 3/23 Beatrice Gaunt, Melissa Hart, Tonda Wolfe
Baptismal 3/17 Evelyn Gaunt, Conrad Reutzel 3/19 Ron Fullerton 3/20 Dick LeBeau 3/22 Andrea Fullerton, Mark Thurin 3/23 Seth Latta

Lifequote "God loves everybody. God loves people that are big and small. God loves people that are every age. God loves people no matter where we live. All people are special to God. The Bible says, 'For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand' (Ephesians 2:10). God has good things for each of us." • lutheransforlife.org

LWML Last Day to Order a Lily \$12 is by Wednesday, March 20th make checks payable to L.W.M.L. thanks!

HLHS Mildred Schindler Janzen will be at HLHS on Tuesday, March 19th @ 9am. Mrs. Janzen is a holocaust survivor who wrote "Surviving Hitler, Evading Stalin". She will have a Q & A session at HLHS and the public is welcome to come, listen, and ask questions pertaining to her life.

Galatians Bible Study ... The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon begins a study this week on the Book of Galatians. You can listen at your convenience at thewordendures.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, the LPR mobile app or your favorite podcast provider.

Don't forget about your Thrivent Choice Dollars! Your 2023 Thrivent Choice Dollars need to be directed by March 31*. You can call: 1-800-847-4836. At the prompt say: "Thrivent choice". You can also go to the website: www.thrivent.com It only takes a minute and you can put those dollars to work at the organization of your choice – like Peace Lutheran Church. Susan Thompson

The Congregation at Prayer

Below are suggestions for you to incorporate in your prayers throughout the day.

Psalm

Consider using Psalm 119 for prayer and mediation throughout Lent.

This week you could follow this pattern:

Sunday: Psalm 119: 49-56 Monday: Psalm 119: 57-64 Tuesday: Psalm 119: 65-72 Wednesday: Psalm 119: 73-80 Thursday: Psalm 119: 81-88 Friday: Psalm 119: 89-96 Saturday: Psalm 119: 97-104

Catechism

Read through Luther's treatment of the Office of the Keys and Confession. Use the texts to ponder and pray.

Practice

Examine your life according to the 10 Commandments. Come for Private Confession and Absolution. (Make an appointment with pastor, or come at the posted times during Holy Week. At home confess what you've done wrong to one another, and forgive one another, not saying "It's ok" but rather, "I forgive you."

Fifth Sunday in Lent Divine Service Setting 1

March 17th 9:00am



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