

February 25, 2024
Second Sunday of Lent
9:00 AM

ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*Members of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, in response to Christ's love,
Reach out in service to each other, the community, and the world.*



Welcome to Worship! All words will be displayed on the screen.
Kids, don't forget your Praise Packs! Children's Bulletins are available in the Praise Packs!

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS



PRELUDE

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

Thomas Gieschen



CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: We come seeking forgiveness for all we have failed to do and be as members of Christ's body. (pause) God forgives and heals us.

C: We need your healing, merciful God: give us true repentance. Some sins are plain to us; some escape us, some we cannot face. Forgive us; set us free to hear your word to us; set us free to serve you.

P: God forgives you. Forgive others; forgive yourself.

Through Christ, God has put away your sin: be at peace.

All: Amen

KYRIE

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OPENING HYMN

"Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer"

#618, all verses



FIRST LESSON

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous."
³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴"As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you." ¹⁵God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

R: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Monte



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 8:31-38

³¹[Jesus] began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." ³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ



SERMON

Pastor Monte



SERMON HYMN

"Will You Come and Follow Me?"

#798, verses 1,4 & 5



APOSTLES CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven.

He is seated at the right hand of the Father.

And 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 THE CHURCH

"Lord, listen to your children praying"

#752



PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always **C: And also with you.**

Please greet one another with the words, "Peace be with you."

 **OFFERING**

*Pew Pads are located at the far end of each pew.
Please fill them out and pass them, noting those seated around you.*



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“O Sacred Head Now Wounded” arr. Douglas Wagner
St. Luke’s Handbell Choir

Children are invited to gather at the back during the anthem and help bring forward the offering.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: *The Lord be with you.*

C: **And also with you.**

P: *Open your hearts.*

C: **We open them to God and to one another.**

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

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION



LORD’S PRAYER

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.



P: Bread and wine: the gifts of God for the people of God.

C: May we who share these gifts be found in Christ and Christ in us.

DISTRIBUTION - Continuous

*If you wish to have the Pastor bring communion to your pew, please notify an Usher.
All are Welcome!*



COMMUNION HYMN

“Lamb of God”
“Take, Oh, Take Me As I am”
“Lord, be Glorified”

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#814 (sing twice)
#744, all verses



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Generous God

C: **at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of Life. Amen**

 **BENEDICTION**

 **CLOSING HYMN**

“Faith of our Fathers”

#812, verses 1 & 3

 **DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. You are God’s Beloved.

C: Thanks be to God.

 **POSTLUDE**

“Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer” (Cum Rhondda)

Paul Manz

+ THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ASSISTED DURING WORSHIP TODAY! +

You can now **GIVE ONLINE**, by scanning the QR code:



Thank you for all the ways you contribute to the life and ministry of the church!

CHANCEL FLOWERS are given by The Clark family, in celebration of Olivia’s birthday.

ETERNAL FLAME for the second half of the month of February is given by *Tom and Pauline Sneed in honor of their 4th Anniversary, and to wish the congregation a blessed Lent~*

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Monday, February 26	9:00 am Quilters
Tuesday, February 27	6:30 pm Parish Education Meeting
Wednesday, February 28	1:00 pm Wednesday Worship 6:00 pm Handbell Choir 6:30 pm Soup Supper for the Soul 7:30 pm Choir 8:30 pm Bible on Tap (@On the Edge)
Friday, March 1	Church Office Closed
Sunday, March 3	9:00 am Worship 10:00 am Fellowship 10:15 am Education Hour

Church ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL ONLINE SIGN-UPS CAN BE FOUND AT: www.slchurch.org/sign-ups

FORGIVENESS: A LENTEN STUDY

Join Jeri Smith in this Lenten Study with Marjorie Thompson's book on Forgiveness. Books are available at the Welcome Center (\$5/each; they are used!) We will meet during Education Hour **Today**, March 3, March 10, and 24. For the first session, we will discuss the Introduction and Chapter 1. Join us!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – PLANNING MEETING

Interested in helping out this year with VBS? Join us for our first planning meeting **TODAY at 11:15 am**

(Immediately following Education Hour) in Sunday School Room 105. Speak to Heather if you are interested, but unable to attend.









WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

We will be welcoming new members in worship on Sunday, March 10. If you have considered joining St. Luke's officially, talk to Pastor Monte and find out more about it!

SAVE THE DATE:

- Sunday, March 17th :
All-ages Education Hour. Make an Easter Garden to take home.
- Saturday, March 23rd :
Annual Easter Egg Hunt ~ Rain or Shine! 11:00am – 1:00pm

**** LENTEN PRAISE PACKS ****

	• Light your candle when the candles are lit at the front of the church and hold it up high. At the end of the service turn your candle off.
	• Take out the smooth stone and hold it tight during times of prayer. This stone symbolizes the tomb Jesus was put into on Good Friday.
	• Wave the Palm leaf to move to the music.
	• Look at the booklet in your bag. Look at the pictures for today to follow along with the readings.
	• While listening to Pastor's Sermon, take a look at your children's bulletin. Can you make any connections between what is on there to the sermon?
	• Fill out a prayer slip or two (attached on your clipboard) and place them in the offering plate. Help our Lenten prayer chain grow!
	• Greet those around you with a handshake, wave, fist bump, peace sign, or say hello
	• Place the sticker on your shirt to remember that you are a child of God and He loves you!

