

Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 29, 2020



St. Paul's Lutheran Church
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(New Miner)

St. James Lutheran Church
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The Members of St. James and St. Paul's
welcome you to the family of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Rev. Roger A. Erdman , Pastor

Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8:30am-1:30pm; Friday closed

Sunday Worship services at St. James are broadcast live by Mauston radio WRJC AM 1270 and 92.9FM



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Hymns-430-761-435-623-422



Pre-Service Prayers (see inside front cover of LSB)

As We Gather

Augustus Top lady (1740–78) summaries the only sane response to Zechariah 13:1. “Foul, I to the fountain fly, wash me Savior or I die!”

Ringing of the Bells

Opening Hymn: LSB #430 “My Song Is Love Unknown”

Order of Worship: Divine Service Setting Three—Page 184

Confession and Absolution—Pg. 184

Service of the Word—Pg. 186

Introit

Psalm 116:1–4, 8; antiphon: v. 15

Precious in the sight of the Lord

is the death of his saints.

I love the Lord, because he has heard

my voice and my pleas for mercy.

Because he inclined his ear to me,

therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;

I suffered distress and anguish.

Then I called on the name of the Lord:

“O Lord, I pray, deliver my soul!”

For you have delivered my soul from death,

my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

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The Kyrie – Pg. 186

Salutation– Pg. 189

Collect of the Day: Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ♪Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Zechariah 13:1-2

¹" [The LORD declares] On that day there shall be a fountain opened for the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to cleanse them from sin and uncleanness. ²And on that day, declares the LORD of hosts, I will cut off the names of the idols from the land, so that they shall be remembered no more. And also I will remove from the land the prophets and the spirit of uncleanness."

Choir: "The Hidden Stream that Feeds"

by Troeger

Epistle Reading

1 John 1:8-2:2

⁸If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. ¹My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ²He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Verse after Epistle (*Alleluia is omitted during Lent*) -Pg. 190

Holy Gospel

John 19:28-37

²⁸After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst." ²⁹A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth. ³⁰When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. ³¹Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away. ³²So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him. ³³But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. ³⁴But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. ³⁵He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth—that you also may believe. ³⁶For these things took place that the Scripture might be fulfilled: "Not one of his bones will be broken." ³⁷And again another Scripture says, "They will look on him whom they have pierced."

Nicene Creed

Hymn of the Day: LSB #761 "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

Sermon: “The Redeemer’s Refinery”

Text: Zechariah 13:1-2

Offertory pg. 192f “Create in Me”

Offering: Please sign the record of fellowship pad found in each pew so we know who is worshipping with us today.

(As the offering is brought forward, congregation stands, singing stz. 1 & 2 of LSB #781)

Our Prayers

The Divine Service of the Sacrament-Pg. 208

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table all who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is professed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, must first speak with the pastor or the elder. For those who are in need of non-alcoholic wine, that is provided in the middle of the tray. Also, if you are in need of a gluten-free wafer please speak to an elder or the pastor before the service.

Distribution Hymns:

LSB #435 “Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain”

LSB #623 “Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray”

Post-Communion Canticle-Pg. 199 “Nunc Dimittis”199

Benediction– Pg. 202

Hymn of Departure: LSB # 422“On My Heart Imprint Your Image”

Those Serving in our Worship Today:

Elder for the Month of March is Dan Peterson

Trustee for the Month of March is Elmer Hornburg

St. James Altar Care for the Month of March is Deb Ennis & Nicole Burke

St. Paul's Altar Care for the Month of March is Pam, Kim & Tracey

Acolyte:

Flowers: *No flowers on the altar during Lent*

Radio Sponsor:

Special Needs for March

Tomah VA-Cheese & Cracker Snacks/Sugar-Free Kool-Aid

Necedah Food Pantry– Any non-perishable food item

Want to prepare for next week's worship?

Next week's sermon is titled "Expectations Meet Reality." Read Zechariah 9:9-10 and answer these questions:

1. What is the difference between expectations and reality? How has this played out in your life?
2. 2.Make a list of Christ's characteristics, as described in these verses. Which one is the most compelling to you?
3. 3.What kind of savior did most of the Jews expect? What was the reality?

Daily Readings for Week 15:

29th Come to the Lord's House
30th Ezk 47:1-48:35
31th Dn 1:1-21

Prayers for those in our family of faith and those close to us...

St. James Members

Those who are Homebound or in a Care facility

Gertrude Kirtz, Lois Lazeration

Those with special concerns....

Charlene Sitas

Tyler Burke

Lindy and Joyce Hanson

Alvina (nee Pollock) O' Connor

Daryl Fabian

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Those who are Homebound or in a Care facility

Eleanor Van Meter

Those with special concerns...

Denna Winters, Mary Lou Trutt,

Gregg Winters (Son of Sharon Winters)

Mary Shear (Sister-in-law of Donna Klein)

Glen Skibba

Lori J

Leann Winters (wife of Dale Winters)

Karen Smedbron (Daughter of Delores Smedbron)

Jacqueline Webb (Susan Bennett's sister)

Todd Wallender (Patsy Wallender's son)

Ginny Link

Delores Smedborn

Amber Pfloughoeft (Granddaughter of Milt and Cindy Smith)

Judy Ahlers (Sister of Deb Ennis)

Pastor John Siedschlag and Virginia

Dave and Judy Berna (son-in-law and daughter of Gert Kirtz)

Marylin Fuss (Megan's friend)

Karen Roy (Friend of Bonnie Augustynowicz)

Montey Stratton (Cousin of Christina Fischer)

Ed Kindschi (Sandy Harry's Nephew-in-Law)

Nikki Ravenscroft (Friend of Christina Fischer)

Darold Hamburg (Friend of Amanda Hatfield)

Margie Lawson (Vivian Kueker's sister)

Christine Dietz (ex-wife of Peter Taraban)

Ginny Link

Ken Finke (Brother of Deb Ennis)

Donna Wick (sister of Bill Gatzke)

Delaney Kraemer (Friend of the Fischer Family)

Those who grieve....the Family of Allen Vanderhoof

Those who grieve....the Family of Delores Fischer.

Those who are persecuted for Christ's Sake.

Pastor Ryan and Emily McDermott & their family .

Remember in Prayer: If you have a prayer request for yourself or a loved one, or are hospitalized either by an emergency or by planned care, please inform Pastor Erdman as soon as possible by calling his cell 920-312-2079, via his email pastor@stjamesnecedah.com or call the church office at 565-7252 and the information will be given to Pastor Erdman. Anyone who needs to reach Pastor Erdman, whether it is an emergency or non-emergency situation, please contact him by calling the church office at 565-7252 or his cell 920-312-2079.

Our Gifts to God for March 22, 24

St. James

Budget Amt. Needed/wk.	\$ 1,538.46
<u>Total Gifts to God</u>	<u>\$ 1,147.00</u>
Weekly Budget (under)	\$ 391.46

Attendance: 8 (3-22)

St. Paul's

Plate	\$ 0.00
<u>Envelopes</u>	<u>\$446.00</u>
Total	\$446.00

Attendance: 7 (3-22) 8 (3-24)

Stewardship Corner

**IN OUR SERVING, WE EMULATE
JESUS WHO LIVED WITH A
SERVANT'S HEART.**

"... just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as ransom for many" (Matthew 20:28).



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Thrivent Members-Please check to see if your accounts have earned any "choice dollars" for 2019. If so, you must designate where you want the money sent such as St. James' Church or St. Paul's church etc. This must be done prior to **March 31**. Please be good stewards and let this money be put to use. If you need help please call Sharon.

LIFE THOUGHTS : Life issues like surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis cast long shadows. Sometimes our mortal eyes only behold despair and death in such circumstances. But our Lord Jesus loves nothing more than lost causes (Ezekiel 37:5-6). He walks hope into the darkest valley, and where our resolve ends, His resurrection begins. Trusting His presence and promise and power takes hold of a life not even crisis or cancer can touch (John 11:25).