

*St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church
310 West Main Street
Saxonburg, PA
724-352-2333*

Sunday, February 25, 2018

Second Sunday in Lent

PRELUDE *Prelude on "St. Christopher"*
 -- Arr. Robert Thygersen

*(When the music of the prelude begins, please lower your voice;
but, after worship raise your voice with joy!)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Congregation: Amen.

L: 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.

C: Amen

L: 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.

Please kneel for silent reflection and self-examination.

L: Most merciful God,

C: 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

L: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

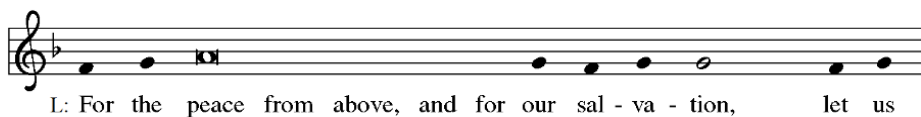
GATHERING SONG *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* (ELW 338)

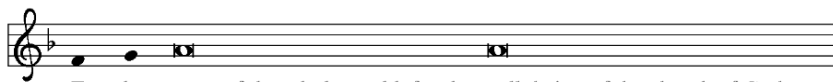
GREETING

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

C: And also with you.

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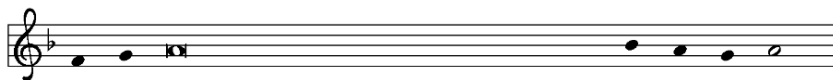
L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



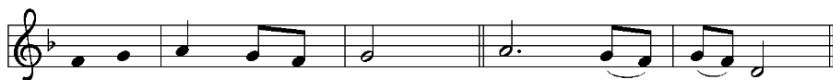
and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.



L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mer - cy.



L: Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



C: A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



Refrain
Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

C: **O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

FIRST READING: 1 Corinthians 13: 1-7

L: A reading from chapter 13 of First Corinthians.

¹If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.



Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word.



Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word.

GOSPEL: Mark 1: 9-22

L: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, chapter one.

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

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness.

¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near, repent, and believe in the good news."

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea — for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father

Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

²¹They went to Capernaum; and when the Sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. ²²They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (ELW 631)

CREED

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

**the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead,**

and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and
glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

8:15 *Offertory on "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"*

-- Arr. Matthew McConnell

10:45 *A Prayer for Humility - Mark Patterson*

OFFERING PRAYER

L: Let us pray.

C: God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone,
but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts,
which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

BLESSING

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
C: Amen.

SENDING SONG *Onward, Christian Soldiers*

SABINE BARING-GOULD, 1834-1924

ST. GERTRUDE 65.65.D. with Refrain
ARTHUR S. SULLIVAN, 1842-1900

1. On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers! March - ing as to war,
2. Like a might - y ar - my Moves the Church of God;
3. Crowns and thrones may per - ish, King - doms rise and wane,
4. On - ward, then, ye peo - ple, Join our hap - py throng,

With the cross of Je - sus Go - ing on be - fore.
Broth - ers, we are tread - ing Where the saints have trod;
But the Church of Je - sus Con - stant will re - main;
Blend with ours your voic - es In the tri - umph song;

Christ, the roy - al Mas - ter, Leads a - gainst the foe;
 We are not di - vid - ed, All one bod - y we,
 Gates of hell can nev - er, Gainst that Church pre - vail;
 Glo - ry, laud, and hon - or Un - to Christ the King;

Refrain

On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, March - ing as to war,
 With the cross of Je - sus Go - ing on be - fore. A - men.

EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES AND CHIMES

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Fugue in B Minor -- G. F. Handel*

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

Psalm 100: 1-5, Mark 4: 34-41

WELCOME!

*Please complete the pew card before you leave worship this day.
Pastor Keller would be happy to visit with you at the time and
place of your choosing to answer questions about membership.
Simply call the church office at 724-352-2333 to make an
appointment.*

Attendance on Sunday, February 18, 2018

8:15	41	St. Luke's Lutheran Church
9:30	7	310 West Main Street
10:45	47	Saxonburg, PA 16056
Nursery	6	724-352-2333
Total	101	stlukechurch@consolidated.net

THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM INCLUDES:

	8:15 Service	10:45 Service
ACOLYTES	Alex Edder and Jinelle Yohe	Anna Coriale and William Crytzer
ALTAR GUILD	Shannon Miller and Ruth Richards	Helen McLafferty
BREAD BAKER	Jackie Bice	
ASSISTING MINISTER	Peggy Crawford	Jennifer Keller
GREETERS	Karen Foertsch and Jean Parsons	Kim Buss and Lynn Fox
USHERS	Ron Boltz and Tim Markwell	Jason Fox and George Reuning
OFFERING COUNTERS	Jackie Bice and Bob Bicker	

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