

# OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Sunday, March 16, 2025**

**Second Sunday of Lent**

**10:30 AM**

## *Love. A Lenten Sermon Series*

**PRELUDE**

**Hymn Singers Ensemble**

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN:** "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

**ELW 807**

*1) Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love, teach me ever to adore thee; may I still thy goodness prove.*

**PAUSE FOR PRAYER**

*2) Here I raise my Ebenezer: "Hither by thy help I've come"; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.*

*3) Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be; let that grace now like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love. Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.*

**BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**L (Leader); C (Congregation)**

**L:** Blessed by the holy Trinity, one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

**C:** Amen.

L: Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

L: Reconciling God,

**C: We confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen**

L: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy, we have peace with God through Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### **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.**

### **HYMN OF PRAISE: "How Great Thou Art"**

**ELW 856**

*1) O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;*

***Refrain:** Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!*

*2) When through the woods and forest glades I wander, I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; (Refrain)*

*3) But when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my burden gladly bearing he bled and died to take away my sin; (Refrain)*

*4) When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" (Refrain)*

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L: Holy One of mighty power,

**C:** Your word is powerfully dangerous. Your word casts out demons. Your word heals incurable diseases. Your word devours empires. Your word transforms the fabric of the universe. Help us to stand in awe and fear of what your word is capable of doing. Give us courage to speak your word and wisdom to hear it, for the sake of the one whose very whisper can demolish sin, Jesus Christ. Amen.

### **PSALM: Psalm 122**

<sup>1</sup> I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!"

<sup>2</sup> Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

<sup>3</sup> Jerusalem—built as a city that is bound firmly together.

<sup>4</sup> To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the LORD.

<sup>5</sup> For there the thrones for judgment were set up, the thrones of the house of David.

<sup>6</sup> Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you.

<sup>7</sup> Peace be within your walls and security within your towers."

<sup>8</sup> For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say, "Peace be within you."

<sup>9</sup> For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your good.

**L:** The word of the Lord.     **C:** Thanks be to God.

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SONG for the WORD:** "Sanctuary"

*Lord prepare me, to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

### **GOSPEL READING: Luke 13:1-9, 31-35**

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. <sup>2</sup> He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? <sup>3</sup> No, I tell you, but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. <sup>4</sup> Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the other people living in Jerusalem? <sup>5</sup> No, I tell you, but unless you repent you will all perish just as they did."

<sup>6</sup> Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. <sup>7</sup> So he said to the man working the vineyard, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' <sup>8</sup> He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. <sup>9</sup> If it bears fruit next year, well and good, but if not, you can cut it down.'"

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<sup>31</sup> At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” <sup>32</sup> He said to them, “Go and tell that fox for me, ‘Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. <sup>33</sup> Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.’ <sup>34</sup> Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! <sup>35</sup> See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, ‘Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.’ ”

L: The gospel of the Lord.    **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## MESSAGE

**SONG OF THE DAY:** “The Wonderful Cross”

*When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died  
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride  
See from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down;  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?*

**Chorus:** *O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross, Bids me come and die and find  
that I may truly live, O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross, All who gather here  
by grace draw near and bless Your name*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an off'ring far too small  
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all (Chorus 2X)*

## 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 into hell.  
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 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.**

**PRAYER SONG:** “Sweet Hour of Prayer”

TOSB 198 V. 1

*Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, that calls me from a world of care*

*And bids me at my Father's throne, make all my wants and wishes known  
In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief  
And oft escaped the tempter's snare, by thy return, sweet hour of prayer.*

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**L:** Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** **hear our prayer.**

**PRAYER SONG:** "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

TOSB 198 V. 2

*Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, thy wings shall my petition bear,  
to Him whose truth and faithfulness, engage the waiting soul to bless;  
And since He bids me seek His face, believe His word and trust His grace,  
I'll cast on Him my ev'ry care, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.*

### **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**OFFERING / OFFERTORY:** "Lord, Be Glorified"

ELW 744 vs 1-2

- 1) In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in my life, Lord, be glorified today.*
- 2) In our song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in our song, Lord, be glorified today.*

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** *ELW p. 154*

**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.**

**SENDING SONG:** "I'll Fly Away"

*Some bright morning when this life is over, I'll fly away  
To a land on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away*

*I'll fly away, oh glory, I'll fly away, When I die, hallelujah by and by, I'll fly away*

*When the shadows of this life have gone, I'll fly away  
Like a bird from these prison walls I'll fly, I'll fly away (Refrain)*

*Oh how glad and happy when we meet, I'll fly away  
No more cold iron shackles on my feet, I'll fly away (Refrain)*

*Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away  
To a land where joy will never end, I'll fly away (Refrain)*

### **BLESSING / THREE BELLS**

## DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Helping people experience the Love of God.**

## POSTLUDE

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### *O Lord, Hear Our Prayers*

#### **Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...**

The people of Our Savior's.

Those celebrating birthdays today: Carissa Koehn, Kianna Paulsrud

#### **God's Healing Presence for...**

Jerry Boeddeker	Tim Klocke (Mike Tweten's friend)
Clarice Satrom	Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)
Vicki Dahlstrom	Dennis Sollid (Anne Kittelson's dad)
Karen Paulson	Steve Rinke (Stacy Dickhoff's step-dad)
Larry (Butch) Lovas	Todd Donner (Tanya Buethner's brother)
Jim Olsen	Scott Berry (Benjamin Strand's uncle)
Carol Christianson	Jon Pawlikowski (Veronika Lee's dad)
Kenna Kappes	Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)
Becky Foss	Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)
Peggy Gilbertson	Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)
Deb Kritzberger	Barry Sailor (Tara Fandrich's uncle)
Liz Hanson	Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)
Charlie Anderson	Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)
Susie Anderson	Dr. Rich Martin (Cheri and family)
	Marta Datsik (McSparron's Exchange Student-Ukraine)

**Safety for those serving in the Military...** especially those serving in combat areas:

**Our Sympathy to...** Those in our church family who have experienced the death of a family member or friend:

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**HEAD USHERS:** (8:30) (10:30) Zach and Steph Hinkle family

**LECTOR:** (8:30) Rita Fandrich

**ACOLYTES:** (8:30) Ryland Carlson, Lillie Drake (10:30) James Funches, Gavin Giffey

**ATTENDANCE:** March 9, 2025 – (8:30) 70 and (10:30) 74

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT:** March 9, 2025: \$5,409.00; March to date: \$13,854.79;  
Income through February 28, 2025: \$58,502.65; Expenses through February 28, 2025:  
\$68,570.56 Income less Expense: -\$10,067.91

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** (Due in the church office by 9am Thursdays)

**REMINDER:** There is a Lenten worship service on Wednesday, March 19 at 6:30 p.m. All Wednesday service offerings during Lent are designated to Global Missions. There is a Meal served on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. (free-will offering). March 19<sup>th</sup>'s meal is Pulled Pork Buns.

***Love. A Lenten Sermon Series***

**Schedule:**

Wed., March 19	Love the stranger	6:30 p.m.
Wed., March 26	Love the poor/naked	6:30 p.m.
Wed., April 2	Love the sick	6:30 p.m.
Wed., April 9	Love the imprisoned	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., April 17	Maundy Thursday	6:30 p.m.
Fri., April 18	Good Friday	6:30 p.m.
Sun., April 20	Easter Sunday	7:30a.m., 9:30 a.m.

**MONDAY QUILTING GROUP**

There is Quilting on Mondays at Our Savior's and YOU are invited to come and check it out! Making Quilts and LWR Kits are some of our most needed and worthwhile projects. If you are available on any part of Mondays, January through March, from 9AM-4PM, consider joining in the fellowship! No experience necessary. Bring a friend. We hope to see you there!

**W.O.W. (Women of the Word) BIBLE STUDY**

On Monday, March 10 we began a new study entitled "He Chose the Nails: What God Did to Win Your Heart" by Max Lucado. This Lenten study will go for 5 weeks and then we will finish up the three sessions we have left on "JESUS: The God Who Knows Your Name" by Max Lucado.

W.O.W. meets on Mondays at 9 AM in the 2nd floor lounge at Our Savior's. ALL ARE WELCOME! ~Senora Almquist, Leader

**FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES** will be held on Wednesdays after school on March 26<sup>th</sup>, April 2<sup>nd</sup> and April 9<sup>th</sup> at Our Savior's. This is for 5<sup>th</sup> grade students and up. First Communion will be celebrated during the April 17<sup>th</sup> Maundy Thursday worship service at 6:30 p.m. at OSLC.

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

### **Sunday, March 16**

8:30am Traditional Worship  
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship  
9:30am Sunday school  
10:30am Contemporary Worship  
2:00pm John Pederson Memorial  
Service  
7:00pm AA Meeting

### **Monday, March 17**

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

9:00am W.O.W. Bible Study  
9am-4pm Quilting

### **Tuesday, March 18**

7:00am Text Bible Study  
- at Hillsboro Café

### **Wednesday, March 19**

7:00am Men's Bible Study  
- at Hillsboro Café  
5:30pm Meal  
6:00pm Confirmation  
6:30pm **Lenten Service**  
7:30pm Youth Group

### **Thursday, March 20**

10:45am Worship service at HMC

### **Sunday, March 23**

8:30am Traditional Worship  
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship  
9:30am Sunday school  
10:30am Contemporary Worship  
7:00pm AA Meeting

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