



Blessed Redeemer Lutheran Church

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Second Sunday in Lent **February 28th, 2021**



HOLY COMMUNION IS CELEBRATED AT OUR 9:00AM SERVICE

Oneness at communion presupposes oneness in doctrine. For this reason we practice close communion, and ask guests desiring to commune to speak with the pastor before the service. To those communicants with dietary needs we offer gluten free wafers.

AS WE GATHER

Our Lord's whole purpose in becoming one of us in human history was to die for us. As a result, He purposely marched toward Jerusalem and the certain death on the cross He knew would come. For Him, the Scriptures were not forecasts of what might happen but God's immutable will for Him. He had to suffer and die so that we could be saved. And the eternal life He thereby won for us gives us purpose in daily living. We can willingly deny ourselves in service to others; we can take up our cross, knowing that our life with Him will never end.

SERVICE OF PRAYER AND PREACHING

WORDS OF WELCOME

Elder of the Day

OPENING HYMN

"Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love"

LSB 900

OPENING VERSICLES [Lent]

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O.T. CANTICLE

"My Soul Rejoices"

LSB 933

✠ READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE ✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

When 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, that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly." Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, "Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. And I 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.

And God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING

Romans 5:1–11

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 8th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 8:27-38

And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they told him, “John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.” And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.” And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him. And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.” And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

RESPONSORY [Lent]

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CATECHISM REVIEW | THE LORD'S PRAYER

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The Second Petition

Pastor: Thy kingdom come

All: **Your kingdom come**

Pastor: What does this mean?

All: **The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.**

Pastor: How does God's kingdom come?

All: **God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.**

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LORD'S PRAYER

SERMON HYMN

"Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us"

LSB 851

SERMON

"Ashamed of Jesus?"

Mark 8:31-38

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the Church here and around the world and for all people in their various circumstances.

May your Holy Spirit inspire the Church around the world, all people who join Peter in professing that Jesus is the Christ, that they trust God's purpose for their lives, take up their crosses, and follow Jesus.

People: **Bless all who spend their lives serving the physical, mental, social, and emotional needs of the people around them, that God bless and guide them according to His gracious purpose.**

Pastor: Be with all professional counselors and private confidants who alleviate suffering, enable endurance, support character, and encourage hope, that they serve as conduits for God's purposes in the lives of their patients, family, and friends.

People: **Guide those who lead the governments of the world, that they find purpose in their positions, using every means to increase harvests, combat global health crises, minimize conflict between nations, and ensure equal justice for all their citizens.**

Pastor: Comfort those near and dear to us, [*especially . . .*], that God bring about the healing, comfort, freedom, and dignity for which they send requests to our gracious Lord, Lord in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: *(Special petitions that end in, "Lord, in Your mercy")*.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: These and any other things You would have us ask of You, heavenly Father, grant to us for the sake of the bitter sufferings and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we pray.

People: **Amen.**

OFFERING

****5:30PM SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE****

HYMN

"The Wonderful Cross"

CCS 62

Written by J. D. Walt, Isaac Watts, Chris Tomlin & Jesse Reeves

1. 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.
2. 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:

**Oh the wonderful Cross, oh the wonderful Cross
Bids me come and die and find that I may truly live
Oh the wonderful Cross, oh the wonderful Cross
All who gather here by grace draw near
And bless Your name**

3. Were the whole realm of Nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all! ***Chorus***

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that Your Son let nothing keep Him from the cross and that through this Sacrament You have given purpose to our lives. Continue to strengthen us that we may grow in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE WORD

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LUTHER’S EVENING PRAYER

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NEW TESTAMENT CANTICLE *“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”* LSB 805

BLESSING

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CLOSING HYMN *“God of Grace and God of Glory”*

LSB 850

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****9:00AM SUNDAY SERVICE****

† SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT †

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

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HYMN

“I Come to the Cross”

CCS 81

by Bill Batsteone and Bob Somma Piano Setting by Joel Raney CCLI# 1965249

I come to the cross seeking mercy and grace;
I come to the cross where you died in my place.
Out of my weakness and into your strength;
humbly I come to the cross.
Your arms are open, you call me by name,
You welcome this child that was lost.
You paid the price for my guilt and my shame;
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come to the cross.

(Sung two times)

HYMN

“Christ, the Word of God Incarnate”

LSB 540

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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All: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that Your Son let nothing keep Him from the cross and that through this Sacrament You have given purpose to our lives. Continue to strengthen us that we may grow in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE WORD

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LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER

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NEW TESTAMENT CANTICLE "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" LSB 805

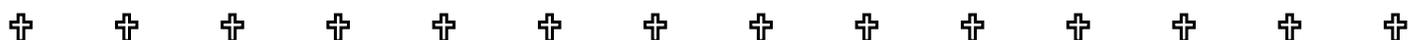
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CLOSING HYMN

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

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OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

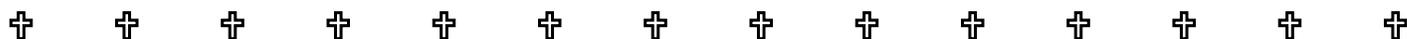
5:30PM SATURDAY

Alan Carlson
Elder
Sarah Peterson
Organist

9:00AM SUNDAY

Thom Miller
Elder
Blake Bone
Madison Kopp
Acolytes
Sarah Peterson
Organist

Mike Beyer
Congregational Chairman
Rick Melius
Head Elder



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