

An elderly man with glasses, wearing a white shirt and a dark jacket, is smiling and holding a newborn baby. The baby is wearing a light green onesie and has its mouth open. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

THE LORD  
*will bless*  
THOSE WHO FEAR HIM -  
*the small with*  
THE GREAT.

PSALM 115:13

# The Second Sunday in Lent

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March 17, 2019

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We are thankful that you've chosen to worship with us.

We love children worshipping with us. But we understand that kids can get restless. We have a few options for your convenience: Quiet Bags in the back of church, filled with activity pages and books; a Quiet Area in the library area of our Commons with a rocking chair, children's books and toys; Changing Tables in both washrooms down the hallway to the right as you exit the chapel.

Most of the service is projected on the front wall. You can also find the service and hymns in the hymnal. Bibles are available on request. If you want, you may follow along with the today's readings from your mobile device.

*Please be sure to silence your mobile device so you don't disrupt the service or distract people's worship.*

## SERVICE NOTES FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

**Salvation through our Savior's sacrifice is rejected by many.** Even though he was rejected by many, the Christ was resolute on his journey to redeem us. So how can we not end up among those who permanently reject God's rescue? Only by God's constant grace in Christ. In his mercy, God even used Jesus' rejection by his Jewish countrymen to put Jesus on the cross. Rejoice doubly then: Christ did not reject his Father's will, he died for you. In Christ, God will also keep you from rejecting him.

## PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Lord Jesus, thank you for pressing on to Jerusalem to die for me. Keep my eyes focused on you and my feet pressing on toward heaven. Amen.

## SERVING IN WORSHIP

**Liturgist**

Pastor Erich Westphal

**Organist**

Jan Budach

**Ushers**

Kirk Graen, Glen Lieder

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# REMEMBER YOUR LOVE

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## GATHERING RITE

*The minister introduces the refrain. The congregation repeats the refrain and sings it again as indicated. The minister sings the verses.*

STAND

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.



S: Re - mem-ber your love and your faith-ful-ness, O Lord.



Re - mem-ber your peo-ple and have mer-cy on us, Lord.

C: *Refrain*

S: *If you dwelt, O Lord, upon our sinfulness, then who could stand?  
But with you there is mercy and forgiveness and a guiding hand.*

C: *Refrain*

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

S: *Lord Jesus, the long-rejected prophet:*



M: Lord, have mer - cy. C: Lord, have mer - cy.

S: *Christ Jesus, our humble, suffering servant:*



M: Christ, have mer - cy. C: Christ, have mer - cy.

S: *Lord Jesus, our shelter and protector:*



M: Lord, have mer - cy. C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.



C: Re - mem-ber your love and your faith-ful-ness, O Lord.



Re - mem-ber your peo-ple and have mer-cy on us, Lord.

M: Let us pray:

Almighty God, you see that we have no power to defend ourselves. Guard and keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

# THE WORD

## FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 26:8-15

Though Jeremiah was threatened with death, he was resolute in his mission and faithfully proclaimed the Word of the Lord: an invitation to repentance and mercy by the Lord.

<sup>8</sup>When Jeremiah had finished saying everything the LORD had commanded him to say to all the people, then the priests, the prophets, and all the people seized him and said, “You must die! <sup>9</sup>Why do you prophesy in the name of the LORD that this house will be like Shiloh and that this city will be desolate with no one living here?” All the people crowded around Jeremiah in the House of the LORD.

<sup>10</sup>When the officials of Judah heard about these things, they came up from the king’s house to the House of the LORD and sat in the entrance of the New Gate of the LORD’s house.

<sup>11</sup>Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, “This man deserves the sentence of death because he has been prophesying against this city, as you heard with your own ears.”

<sup>12</sup>Then Jeremiah said to all the officials and to all the people, “The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and against this city all the things that you have heard. <sup>13</sup>Now reform your ways and your actions, and obey the LORD your God. Then the LORD will relent and not bring about the disaster he has pronounced against you. <sup>14</sup>But as for me, look, I am in your hands. Do with me whatever seems good and right in your eyes. <sup>15</sup>But you can be certain of this. If you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood on yourselves and on this city and on those who live here, for it is true that the LORD has sent me to you to speak all these words in your hearing.”

## PSALM OF THE DAY

*As the Deer* | **Psalm 42-43**

Soloist and Congregation

*As the song is being introduced, the Cantor reads the words of Psalm 42-43 before singing the first verse. The congregation is invited to join in on the second verse.*

Solo: As the deer pant for the water,  
So my soul longs after you.  
You alone are my heart’s desire,  
And I long to worship you.  
You alone are my strength, my shield.  
To you alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart’s desire,  
And I long to worship you.

**C: You’re my friend, and you’re my brother,  
Even though you are a King.  
I love you more than any other,  
So much more than anything.  
You alone are my strength, my shield.  
To you alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart’s desire,  
And I long to worship you.**

## SECOND LESSON

Philippians 3:17–4:1

Paul contrasts the journey through life of those who are enemies of the cross of Christ and those who embrace it. Only in Jesus can we find strength to be resolute on our journey to follow him.

<sup>17</sup>Brothers, join together in imitating me and in paying attention to those who are walking according to the pattern we gave you. <sup>18</sup>To be sure, many walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. I told you about them often, and now I am saying it while weeping. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction, their god is their appetite, and their glory is in their shame. They are thinking only about earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven. We are eagerly waiting for a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>21</sup>By the power that enables him to subject all things to himself, he will transform our humble bodies to be like his glorious body.

<sup>4:1</sup>So then, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, in this way keep standing firm in the Lord, my dear friends.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

Philippians 2:8b

Jesus humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—  
even death on a cross.

## GOSPEL

Luke 13:31-35

Despite the threat against his life, Jesus was resolute in his mission. He would press on toward his goal to redeem humankind from the violence of sin, gathering the elect beneath his eternal wings.

<sup>31</sup>In that very hour, some Pharisees came to him and said, “Leave, and go away from here, because Herod wants to kill you.”

<sup>32</sup>He said to them, “Go tell that fox, ‘Look, I am going to drive out demons and heal people today and tomorrow, and on the third day I will reach my goal. <sup>33</sup>Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the next day, because it cannot be that a prophet would be killed outside Jerusalem!’

<sup>34</sup>“Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those sent to her! How often I have wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing! <sup>35</sup>Look, your house is left to you desolate. I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you will say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’”

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## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Lord, You I Love with All My Heart* | **434**

## SERMON

“Can You Handle The Truth?” | **Jeremiah 26:8-15**



## OFFERING

*Moved by God's love in Christ, we offer him our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to him. If you are a guest, please do not feel obligated to give an offering.*

*Please record your visit on the Connection Card. This is also where we register for Holy Communion.*

STAND

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### LORD'S PRAYER

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## THE SACRAMENT

*Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.*

*If you want to establish communing fellowship with us, **please wait to receive the Lord's Supper** until you have had a chance to speak with the pastor.*

### PERSONAL PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

*If you have established communing fellowship with us and desire to receive the Lord's Supper today, please use the following questions to help you prepare:*

- Q: Do I recognize that I have sinned against God and deserve his punishment?
- Q: Do I want forgiveness for my failures (according to the Ten Commandments) to carry out the responsibilities of my calling(s)?
- Q: Do I believe that Jesus purchased forgiveness for me by his sinless life for me and death on the cross as the payment for all my sins?
- Q: Do I believe that Jesus gives me his body and blood together with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of my sins?
- Q: Do I intend, with Christ's help, to fight temptation, do what I can to correct the wrongs I have done, and serve him and those around me with love and good works?

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**SANCTUS** | *Holy, Holy, Holy* **pg. 22**

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMN** *Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness* | **311**

## THANKSGIVING

*STAND*

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**CLOSING HYMN** *Hail, O Once-Despised Jesus* | **351**



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## MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICE

In the Bible's biographical account of Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection, there are several striking "three word" statements. Join us to grasp an understanding of these powerful words. Our Lenten worship will feature an inspiring message, dynamic music, and a place to wonder at the height and depth of Jesus' love.

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|-----------------|----------------|----------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>March 20</b> | <b>I Am He</b> | <b>Pastor Maasch</b> | <b>Redeemer, Maple Grove</b> |
| March 27        | What Is Truth? | Pastor Biebert       | Christ, Cambridge            |
| April 3         | Take Him Away! | Pastor Pederson      | Cross of Christ              |
| April 10        | Is It I?       | Pastor Kaesmeyer     | Cross of Christ              |

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## Current Sermon Series:

We are all voluntary victims of Satan's seductions. Look at your life and you'll find far too many times of shame and sin when Satan successfully placed a

temptation before you and you didn't say no. You may wonder why you did it, but the truth is you did it. Satan knows our every weakness. He custom tailors temptations for individuals. This Lenten season, we examine some of those tailor-made temptations. We also examine how the Holy Spirit specifically equips us through Word and Sacrament, and by applying forgiveness and teaching sanctification, that we are able to fight those temptations.



### **March 17 – Refusing to Change**

March 24 – Grumbling Against God

March 31 – Continuing the Cycle of Sin

April 07 – Living with Past Guilt

April 14 – Not Bowing the Knee

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRESCHOOL** will be singing at this Wednesday's Lenten service. What a blessing to hear the message coming out of the mouths of children.

### MARCH IS FOOD DRIVE MONTH

Throughout the month of March we will be collecting food donations for our local CEAP program. Donations will be accepted through **March 24**. We have a 'box' designated for your donations by the bulletin board.



**EASTER FLOWERS** sign-up sheet and pricing are located in the Information Center. The last day to sign up will be **March 31**.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** and **COPIES OF THE SERMON** will be available every Sunday. If you would like one, please ask your usher.

### TREATS AFTER THE MID-WEEK LENT

**SERVICE** this week will be provided by the pre-school board.

**EASTER 4 KIDS** will be held on Saturday, April 13, from 9:30 -11:00 am. Be sure to start telling your friends and family to save the date.

## Calendar Week

### Today

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| Sunday School | 9:00 am  |
| Bible Study   | 9:00 am  |
| Worship       | 10:00 am |
| Fellowship    | 11:00 am |

### Monday

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| Men's Growth Group | 7:00 pm |
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### Tuesday

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| Bible Class | 3:15 pm |
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### Wednesday

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| Worship | 7:00 pm |
| Choir   | 8:15 pm |

### Thursday

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| Sacred Concert<br>At West Lutheran | 7:00 pm |
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### Sunday

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| Sunday School | 9:00 am  |
| Bible Study   | 9:00 am  |
| Worship       | 10:00 am |
| Fellowship    | 11:00 am |

## Serving in The Lord

### Ushers

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|--------------|-------------------------------|
| Today:       | Kirk Graen<br>Glen Lieder     |
| Next Sunday: | Jean Sulzle<br>Jackson George |

### Organist

|              |                |
|--------------|----------------|
| Today:       | Janice Budach  |
| Wednesday:   | Bethel Janisch |
| Next Sunday: | Janice Budach  |

## Blessings from The Lord

### Attendance

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| Bible Study – 9, Sunday School – 2 |
| Ash Wednesday Service - 33         |
| Sunday Service – 38                |
| Tuesday Bible Class – 8            |

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