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3RD SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 8, 2015

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 91 (front of the hymnal p. 143)
 The Hymns: 744, 143, 376, 577

Prayer: *Almighty and everlasting God, during this Lenten Season You graciously offer to us the forgiveness of sins, life, and eternal salvation for the sake of the bitter sufferings and death of Your dear Son. Send Your Holy Spirit that we may by faith lay hold of Your offer of grace and mercy. Moved by Your Gospel, we give continual thanks and praise to You, and count on Your strength to live our lives obedient to Your will. In Jesus Christ name, Amen.*

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn 744

The Invocation

We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

Congregation sings:



THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

Pastor Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.



C: Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.



C: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin

Pastor Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ALL O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastor Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.



A - men. (congregation is seated)

THE INTROIT

Having received the Lord's forgiveness, we are glad to enter into His courts with praise and thanksgiving. This entrance is made in the Introit with the Lord's own Word, often from the Psalms.

P: My eyes are always toward the Lord:

C: For He shall pluck my feet out of the net.

P: Turn to me and have mercy on me:

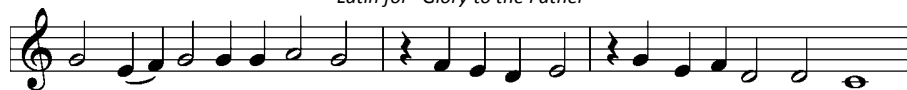
C: For I am desolate and afflicted.

P: Unto You, O Lord, do I lift up my soul:

C: O my God, I trust in You; let me never be ashamed.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory to the Father"



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life.



Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer-cy up-



on us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

THE GLORIA

A hymn glorifying and praising our God (Hymn 798:1 – all sing)



I God, we praise You! God, we bless You! God, we name You



sov- 'reign Lord! Might-y King whom an-gels wor-ship, Fa-ther,



by Your Church a-dored: All cre-a-tion shows Your glo-ry;



Heav'n and earth draw near Your throne, Sing-ing, "Ho-ly,



ho-ly, ho-ly, Lord of hosts and God a-lone!"

THE SALUTATION (Greeting)

PASTOR The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir-it.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

The main thoughts for the day are "collected" together in this prayer.

PASTOR Let us pray.



A-men.

THE BIBLE READINGS

God speaks to us.

The Old Testament Reading:

Exodus 3:1-15 Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian. And he led the flock to the back of the desert, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. 2 And the Angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire from the midst of a bush. So he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, but the bush was not consumed. 3 Then Moses said, "I will now turn aside and see this great sight, why the bush does not burn." 4 So when the LORD saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." 5 Then He said, "Do not draw near this place. Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground." 6 Moreover He said, "I am the God of your father; the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look upon God. 7 And the LORD said: "I have surely seen the oppression of My people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. 8 "So I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a good and large land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites and the Hittites and the Amorites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites. 9 "Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel has come to Me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. 10 "Come now, therefore, and I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." 11 But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" 12 So He said, "I will certainly be with you. And this shall be a sign to you that I have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain." 13 Then Moses said to God, "Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they say to me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say to them?" 14 And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" 15 Moreover God said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel: 'The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My name forever, and this is My memorial to all generations.'

PASTOR Here ends the Old Testament Reading. We continue with the responsive reading of:

THE GRADUAL

The Gradual is a "Bridge of praise" that links the Old Testament with the New Testament.

P: Arise, O Lord, and let not man prevail:

C: Let the heathen be judged in Your sight.

P: When my enemies are turned back:

C: They shall fall and perish in Your presence. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: Unto You do I lift up my eyes, You who dwell in the heavens:

C: Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us. Hallelujah!



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

PASTOR The Gospel Reading comes from Luke chapter 13, beginning there in the 9th verse.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

The Gospel Reading

Luke 13:1-9 Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. 2 Jesus answered, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? 3 I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. 4 Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them--do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? 5 I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish." 6 Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree, planted in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it, but did not find any. 7 So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, 'For three years now I've been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?' 8 "'Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. 9 If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.'"

PASTOR: Here ends the Gospel Reading.

P: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Congregation stands for:

THE APOSTLES' CREED

We boldly confess what we believe. (Hymnal, page 12)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn 143

THE SERMON

1 Corinthians 10:1-13 For I do not want you to be ignorant of the fact, brothers, that our forefathers were all under the cloud and that they all passed through the sea. 2 They were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. 3 They all ate the same spiritual food 4 and drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that Rock was Christ. 5 Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them; their bodies were scattered over the desert. 6 Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did. 7 Do not be idolaters, as some of them were; as it is written: "The people sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in pagan revelry." 8 We should not commit sexual immorality, as some of them did--and in one day twenty-three thousand of them died. 9 We should not test the Lord, as some of them did--and were killed by snakes. 10 And do not grumble, as some of them did--and were killed by the destroying angel. 11 These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the fulfillment of the ages has come. 12 So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! 13 No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.

Theme: "HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF"

I: Our sins are nothing new

II: Our God is just as faithful

THE OFFERTORY

In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.



Cre - ate in me a clean heart O God, and re-
new a right spir - it with - in me
Cast me not a - way from Thy pre - sence, and
take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion; and up -
hold me with Thy free spir -
it. A - men.

THE OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS

Following your gifts, we stand and sing the offering hymn 441:1-2:

***We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first-fruits give!***

PRAYERS - (Pastor)

THE LORD'S PRAYER - (All)

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.

Hymn 376

Congregation stands for:

THE BENEDICTION

The blessing given by God for the blessing of His people (Numbers 6:24-26).

PASTOR: The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



♩ A-men, a-men, a - men.

The Closing Hymn 577

*** *Silent Prayer* ***

Announcements

"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15

WELCOME EVERYONE! Especially any visitors who may be with us. We are glad you are here and invite you to join us again soon in our worship of the One true God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you've found it with us. If you'd like to become a member, we offer a free "Information Course" in which the Pastor will meet with you at your convenience to study and discuss the Bible's teachings. Just ask!

IN OUR PRAYERS Charlotte Hoffman continues to recover at home from a fractured leg. Every two weeks, we plan on sending volunteers to help out with her household cleaning. If you'd like to help, speak with Sue Martin. **"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2**

DINNER INVITATION AT PEACE After church service at Peace (1pm), we have been invited to a 2:30 luncheon at High Country Inn hosted by Bob Jensen.

THANKYOU! Many thanks to those who turned out yesterday at St. John's to begin the installation of a fence for our school playground. All the postholes were dug and the poles set. Next Saturday at 10am we'll start putting up the fence. If you'd like to help, please stop by!

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY 10am at St. John's. All are invited!

THE FOURTH MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE this Wednesday. This year's theme: "BEHOLD THE HIDDEN GLORY OF THE CROSS. Please join us!
Service times: 5pm at Peace, followed by a soup and sandwich meal.

St. John's has a soup and sandwich meal at 6pm with service at 7pm.



On Wednesday March 18, we will have a guest speaker. Pastor Raju Bhitrakoti of the Himalayan Church of the Lutheran Confession, will be in town to give a presentation to both our congregations on mission work in Nepal.

At Peace: 4pm presentation, Lenten service at 5pm

At St. John's: 7pm Service, 7:45 presentation

Other Ongoing Home Bible Studies – 6:00pm Tuesdays with Suzie and Ben. 1:00pm Thursdays with Steve and Nancy.

SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND This fund has been established for anyone who wishes to help finance children attending our new school at St. John's.

WAYS TO HELP OUR NEW SCHOOL – VALLEY BIBLE ACADEMY

We have certain upcoming projects that could use your prayers along with any combination of your time, talent, and treasure. 1)A fence needs to be put up for a playground area; 2)Playground equipment is being sought. 3)"Save your soup labels & box tops for education" and place them in the box on the back church table.

NEXT SUNDAY'S THREE BIBLE READINGS

 To help prepare hearts:

Isaiah 12:1-6 – Water from the wells of salvation

1 Corinthians 1:18-31 – We preach Christ crucified (sermon)

Luke 15:1-3,11-32 – The parable of the lost Son

MISSION HELPER FUND This fund was established to help sponsor Sam Naumann's participation in the Mission Helper trip to East Africa this Summer. The overall cost of this trip is usually over \$5,000. If you'd like to help, gifts may be made directly to Sam or make checks out to St. John's and mark "Mission Helper" in the memo line.

Summer Youth Camp 2015

Just a quick reminder that registration for Summer Youth Camp 2015 opens March 13! Camp takes place on the campus of Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire, WI. Camp is for children going into grades 5-9. Cost is \$125 per camper. There are two sessions of camp: June 21-27 and July 19-25. Each session will have a maximum capacity of 80 campers. When one session fills up, registration for that session will close immediately. For more info about camp, FAQs, and a longer explanation of how the registration process will work please go to youthcamp.clclutheran.net. Please address any specific questions to one of the camp directors: Tom Naumann (920-266-5387 thomasjnaumann@gmail.com) and Jessica Sydow (952-905-9981 jessicasydow10@gmail.com)

CLC NEWS <> The Rev. Mark Tiefel, pastor of Bethel Lutheran, Morris MN, has accepted the call to Redemption Lutheran, Lynnwood WA. <> Jeffrey Karnitz,

teacher at St. Stephen Lutheran school, Mountain View CA, has returned the call to Gethsemane Lutheran school, Spokane Valley WA. <> Resurrection Lutheran, Corpus Christi TX, has called the Rev. Edward Starkey, missionary to India. <> Calvary Lutheran, Marquette MI, has called the Rev. Andrew Schaller, pastor of Trinity Lutheran, Watertown, and Zion Lutheran, Hidewood Twp. SD.

WHY NOT A CHRISTIAN SCHOOL?

The general concept of education is to train children in social skills, and in the arts so that they can function in society and be purposeful citizens in the community and the nation. They need skills that prepare them for the work world. We want them to acquire knowledge and wisdom that makes them a positive force in society. But essential to a well rounded education, and a well educated youth involves more than providing a secular education. Dr. J. Gresham Machen wrote, "Without cultivation of the moral interests, a technically trained man is only given more power to do harm" ⁽¹⁾

Some years ago among us there was an essay entitled, "The Soul of Education is the Education of the Soul." Human wisdom and knowledge is important but it is the Word of God which gives the child the full life. Until the student has a knowledge of the true God he is not properly educated. He is not truly educated for life or *Life*. It is the Word of God which imparts such knowledge in its fullness and creates the faith that gives appreciation of all the blessings for time and eternity that flow from the hands of the gracious Father in heaven. It is the Word of the Gospel which translates faith into fruit-bearing to the glory of God while on the earth. From the Word comes the ability to use our gifts for the manner in which they are intended by the Creator who teaches "whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God" ^(1 Corinthians 10:31). Luther said, "Above all things, the principal and most general subject of study, both in the higher and lower schools should be the Holy Scripture."⁽²⁾

Since it is the responsibility of Christian parents to look after the foremost needs of God's children committed to their care, most assuredly parents will want their children to be instructed in the way of salvation from the Scriptures. In the Scriptures is revealed the Gospel which is, "the power of God unto salvation" ^(Romans 1:16). Only as they are nourished as to their soul are they educated in the fullest sense.

What is it that parents seek when thinking about the education of their children? A fine structure? An active social climate? A competitive athletic program? A capable faculty? Fine and good. As Christians we take a backseat to no one in wanting no less than the best for our children! But ought not a sound spiritual foundation, a nourishment in the Word, an instruction that contributes to growth in faith, instruction that gives an appreciation of the creation of the Creator God, a respect for life, assurance of eternal life in Christ, and a faculty that looks upon the children as precious lambs of God, at very least be part of the consideration of what makes a good education? To satisfy this need Luther wrote his two catechisms so that the children could grow up in the Word in the home, and parents could be assisted in their responsibility through school and church.

The education of our youth occupies a great amount of attention and time in public thought in our country. Continually we are told we must contribute more and more money to education. But money of itself does not buy a good education, and most assuredly does not educate the soul for eternity. Further, just as an elaborate and well-appointed cathedral does not guarantee an education that leads to eternal life, neither does a well-appointed school building of itself translate into a good, useful, and purposeful education. Increasingly, schools are coming under the aegis of the government, and are being turned into social laboratories where societal and political agendas are being foisted upon students. Instruction is being overtaken by propagandizing for causes that undermine the Word of God and Christian sanctification. Of what value is an education that promotes evolution, encourages and promotes things contrary to what Scripture teaches, and undermines morals when the children upon coming home from school have to be disabused of things they were taught in school which are contrary to their faith?

As we cannot promote and trumpet the truth of God's word without identifying that which is contrary to it, so we cannot overlook the negative effects that a "God-free" education has on the life of the youth, the church, and the nation.

Nevertheless, we do not promote Christian education simply as an escape from public education and government influence. What recommends Christian education is the blessing of growing in the Word and in faith in Christ. Education with a purpose! Such an education is a blessing to children, parents, the church, and the nation.

Eighty years ago, Dr. Machen expressed his appreciation for those "who have so wonderfully maintained the Christian schools," and of teachers "who no doubt, are serving as teachers on salaries necessarily small." Of those who support Christian schools and who teach in them he wrote, "When I think of such Christian heroism as yours, I count everything that I ever tried to do in my life as pitifully unworthy. I can only say that I stand reverently in your presence as in the presence of brethren to whom God has given richly of His grace...May our God richly bless you, and of His grace give you a reward with which all the rewards of earth are not for one moment worthy to be compared" ⁽³⁾. To this we in our church say, "Amen."

Weekly Memory Verse

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1 Corinthians 10:13

The Old Testament Reading:

Here at the miracle of the burning bush, the shephard Moses gets his commision by one true God to lead God's people out of the slavery of Egypt. We read...

Exodus 3:1-15 Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian. And he led the flock to the back of the desert, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. 2 And the Angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire from the midst of a bush. So he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, but the bush was not consumed. 3 Then Moses said, "I will now turn aside and see this great sight, why the bush does not burn." 4 So when the LORD saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." 5 Then He said, "Do not draw near this place. Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground." 6 Moreover He said, "I am the God of your father; the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look upon God. 7 And the LORD said: "I have surely seen the oppression of My people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. 8 "So I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a good and large land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites and the Hittites and the Amorites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites. 9 "Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel has come to Me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. 10 "Come now, therefore, and I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." 11 But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" 12 So He said, "I will certainly be with you. And this shall be a sign to you that I have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain." 13 Then Moses said to God, "Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they say to me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say to them?" 14 And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" 15 Moreover God said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel: 'The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My name forever, and this is My memorial to all generations.'

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The Gospel Reading

Jesus here warns about thinking you are less of a sinner than someone else. The cure is repentance, turning away from sin and turning toward our longsuffering God for forgiveness. We read...

Luke 13:1-9 Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. 2 Jesus answered, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? 3 I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. 4 Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them-- do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? 5 I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish." 6 Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree, planted in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it, but did not find any. 7 So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, 'For three years now I've been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?' 8 "'Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. 9 If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.'"

PASTOR: Here ends the Gospel Reading.

P: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in a single system. The first staff is a vocal line with lyrics: "C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!". The second staff is a piano accompaniment line with lyrics: "These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that". The third staff is a vocal line with lyrics: "Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.". The fourth staff is a piano accompaniment line with lyrics: "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!".