



**LORD of LOVE**  
*Lutheran Church*

## **Fourth Sunday in Lent**



**The salvation of sinners gives joy  
in heaven and on earth.**



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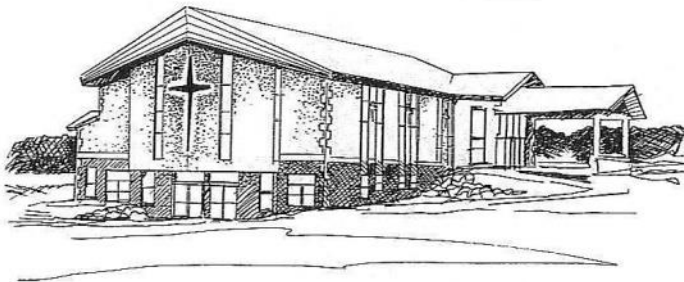
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**“I rejoiced with those who said to me,  
‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’”  
Psalm 122:1**



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March 27, 2022

## DIVINE SERVICE II

OPENING HYMN (CW 385)

Chief of Sinners Though I Be

*The children will introduce the hymn on the bells. A soloist will sing verses 1 & 2. The congregation will then sing verses 3-5.*



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed his  
2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the  
3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part Com - fort to a  
4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in  
5 Strength - en me, O gra - cious Lord, By your Spir - it



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,  
heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea,  
wound - ed heart: Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,  
all to me. All my wants to him are known;  
and your word. When my way - ward heart would stray,



Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is  
Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty, Love that found me—  
Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to  
All my sor - rows are his own. Safe with him in  
Keep me in the nar - row way; Grace in time of



to the vine, I am his and he is mine!  
won - drous thought!— Found me when I sought him not.  
walk with God In the way that E - noch trod.  
earth - ly strife, I a - wait the heav'n - ly life.  
need sup - ply While I live and when I die.

Text: William McComb, 1793–c. 1870, alt.  
Tune: GETHSEMANE (77 77 77) Richard Redhead, 1820–1901.



## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*STAND*

### INVOCATION

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

### CONFESSION

**M:** Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**C:** **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.  
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,  
For sins of habit and sins of choice,  
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,  
You should cast me away from your presence forever.  
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

### ABSOLUTION

**M:** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

## **LORD, HAVE MERCY**

*Mark 10:47*

### *Kyrie*

**M:** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**M:** For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

**C:** **Christ, have mercy.**

**M:** For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**M:** Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

**C:** **Amen.**

## **GLORY BE TO GOD**

*Luke 2:14*

### *Gloria in Excelsis*

*During the season of Lent, the Christian Church has traditionally omitted the singing of the Gloria in Excelsis. Today we will not sing Glory be to God, but we will resume singing it with great joy as we commemorate Christ's resurrection in the Easter season.*



## THE WORD

### SALUTATION

**M:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

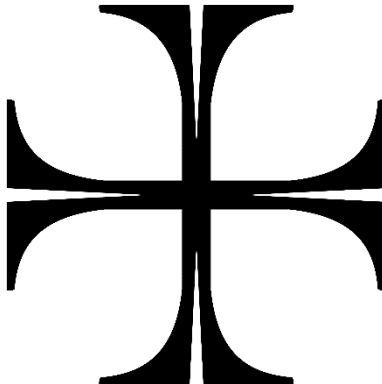
### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, you receive us as your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge your merciful goodness, give thanks for all your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

*BE SEATED*



## FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 12:1-6

<sup>1</sup>*In that day you will say:*

*I will give thanks to you, LORD,  
for though you were angry with me,  
your anger has turned away,  
and you comfort me.*

<sup>2</sup>*Surely God is my salvation.*

*I will trust him and will not be afraid,  
because Yah, the LORD, is my strength and song,  
and he has become my salvation.*

<sup>3</sup>*Therefore with joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.*

<sup>4</sup>*In that day you will say:*

*Give thanks to the LORD! Proclaim his name.  
Declare among the peoples what he has done.  
Proclaim that his name is exalted!*

<sup>5</sup>*Sing to the LORD, for he has done amazing things!  
Let this be known in all the earth!*

<sup>6</sup>*Shout aloud and sing for joy, daughter of Zion,  
for the Holy One of Israel is great among you!*



## SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:1–10

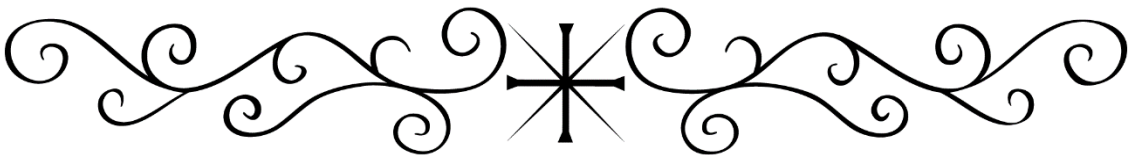
*<sup>1</sup>So then, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>For in Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup>Indeed, what the law was unable to do, because it was weakened by the flesh, God did, when he sent his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to deal with sin. God condemned sin in his flesh, <sup>4</sup>so that the righteous decree of the law would be fully satisfied in us who are not walking according to the flesh, but according to the spirit.*

*<sup>5</sup>To be sure, those who are in harmony with the sinful flesh think about things the way the sinful flesh does, and those in harmony with the spirit think about things the way the spirit does. <sup>6</sup>Now, the way the sinful flesh thinks results in death, but the way the spirit thinks results in life and peace. <sup>7</sup>For the mind-set of the sinful flesh is hostile to God, since it does not submit to God's law, and in fact, it cannot. <sup>8</sup>Those who are in the sinful flesh cannot please God.*

*<sup>9</sup>But you are not in the sinful flesh but in the spirit, if indeed God's Spirit lives in you. And if someone does not have the Spirit of Christ, that person does not belong to Christ. <sup>10</sup>But if Christ is in you, your body is dead because of sin, but your spirit is alive because of righteousness.*

## VERSE OF THE DAY

**M:** “There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”  
(Luke 15:10)







1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound - less;  
 2 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior,  
 3 By grace! Oh, mark this word of prom - ise  
 4 By grace to tim - id hearts that trem - ble,  
 5 By grace! On this I'll rest when dy - ing;



My soul, be - lieve and doubt it not. Why wa - ver  
 Came down to earth to bear our sin. Was it be -  
 When you are by your sins op - pressed, When Sa - tan  
 In trib - u - la - tion's fur - nace tried— By grace, de -  
 In Je - sus' prom - ise I re - joice. For though I



at this word of prom - ise? Has Scrip - ture ev - er  
 cause of your own mer - it That Je - sus died your  
 plagues your trou - bled con - science, And when your heart is  
 spite all fear and trou - ble, The Fa - ther's heart is  
 know my heart's con - di - tion, I al - so know my



false - hood taught? So then this word must true re -  
 soul to win? No, it was grace, and grace a -  
 seek - ing rest. What rea - son can - not com - pre -  
 o - pen wide. Where could I help and strength se -  
 Sav - ior's voice. My heart is glad; all grief has



main: By grace you, too, shall heav'n ob - tain.  
 lone, That brought him from his heav'n - ly throne.  
 hend God by his grace to you did send.  
 cure If grace were not my an - chor sure?  
 flown Since I am saved by grace a - lone.

Text: Christian L. Scheidt, 1709–61, abr.; tr. composite.

Tune: O DASS ICH TAUSEND ZUNGEN HÄTTE (DRETZEL) (98 98 88) Cornelius H. Dretzel, 1697–1775, alt.

<sup>1</sup>All the tax collectors and sinners were coming to Jesus to hear him. <sup>2</sup>But the Pharisees and the experts in the law were complaining, “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

<sup>3</sup>He told them this parable:

<sup>11</sup>Jesus said, “A certain man had two sons. <sup>12</sup>The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me my share of the estate.’ So he divided his property between them. <sup>13</sup>Not many days later, the younger son gathered together all that he had and traveled to a distant country. There he wasted his wealth with reckless living. <sup>14</sup>After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup>He went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. <sup>16</sup>He would have liked to fill his stomach with the carob pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything.

<sup>17</sup>“When he came to his senses, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have more than enough bread, and I am dying from hunger! <sup>18</sup>I will get up, go to my father, and tell him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight. <sup>19</sup>I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants.’”

<sup>20</sup>“He got up and went to his father. While he was still far away, his father saw him and was filled with compassion. He ran, hugged his son, and kissed him. <sup>21</sup>The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’

<sup>22</sup>“But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick, bring out the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. <sup>23</sup>Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let us eat and celebrate, <sup>24</sup>because this son of mine was dead and is alive again. He was lost and is found.’ Then they began to celebrate.

<sup>25</sup>“His older son was in the field. As he approached the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup>He called one of the servants and asked what was going on. <sup>27</sup>The servant told him, ‘Your brother is here! Your father killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.’ <sup>28</sup>The older brother was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him.

<sup>29</sup>He answered his father, ‘Look, these many years I’ve been serving you, and I never disobeyed your command, but you never gave me even a young goat so that I could celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup>But when this son of yours arrived after wasting your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’

<sup>31</sup>“The father said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours. <sup>32</sup>But it was fitting to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again. He was lost and is found.’”

**Join the Joyful Feast!**

*STAND*

## **NICENE 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 fully 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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian 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 PLATES BROUGHT FORWARD AND OFFERING PRAYER**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**M:** Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love. Give us a proper knowledge of the evil we have done in your sight, move us to confess our offenses against you, and justify us by your holy absolution. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

**M:** Father in heaven, you welcome us into your family for the sake of your Son. Call us to repentance when we wander from your ways or believe we have earned a place in your household by our works, and return us to the confident joy that in Christ alone we are found and alive. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

**M:** We thank you, Lord God Almighty, that you have made your deeds known among us. Bless pastors, teachers, musicians and all church workers in their daily labors to make known your deeds among the peoples. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

**M:** Almighty God, we are brought forth in iniquity and conceived in sin. Make us ever grateful that in Holy Baptism you forgive and enliven even the smallest child, and that for Jesus' sake you wash us thoroughly from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

**M:** Almighty God, in Christ you were reconciling the world to yourself. Watch over our nation and all whom you have placed in authority. Give them wisdom and prudence, that your people might live in peace and freely make known the message of reconciliation. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

**M:** Heavenly Father, hear our prayers for all who cry out to you for mercy, healing and help [*including \_\_\_\_\_*]. Deliver them according to your will and, as you have made them a new creation in Christ, keep them mindful of the day when sorrow and sickness will be no more. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

**M:** Great in our midst is the Holy One of Israel, who visits us this day with his body and blood! Give to all who partake of this Holy Communion penitent hearts that properly receive Christ Jesus as their strength and salvation. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

**M:** Lord of glory, fill the hearts of your people in all their various callings with the joy of your salvation, that they may make it known in all the earth. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

**M:** Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*The recorded Service of the Word for members at home concludes here.  
We continue with the Service of the Sacrament with those gathered in the sanctuary.*



## THE SACRAMENT

### PREFACE

**M:** The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

**M:** Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is good and right so to do.**

**M:** It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who willingly died under the curse of this world's sin so that we may live forever in the light of God's blessing.

Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

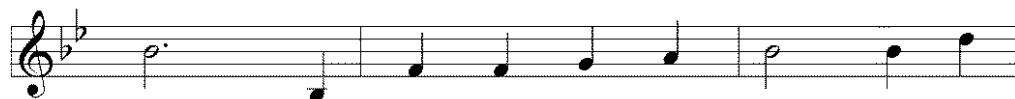
*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

*Sanctus*

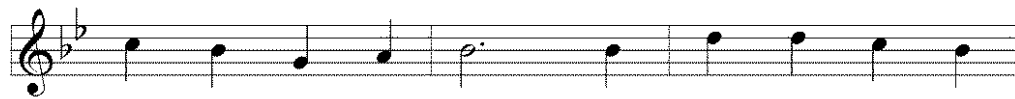
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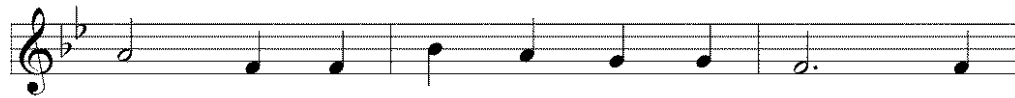
1 O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and  
2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - ly blest is



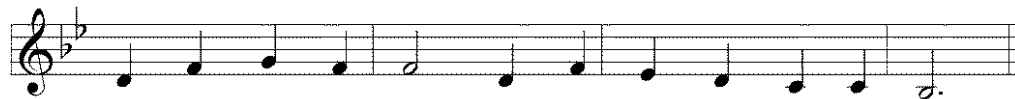
might, Your glo - ry, earth and heav - en In  
he Who in God's name is com - ing To



count - less ways re - cite. Ho - san - na! Come and  
set his peo - ple free! He comes to bring sal -



save us, Lord God of hosts on high, And  
va - tion And with his blood out - poured, De -



in your grace and mer - cy Re - ceive our fer - vent cry.  
liv - er us from bond - age— Ho - san - na, might - y Lord!

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**M:** Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

**C:** Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**C:** **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*Matthew 26:26-28*  
*1 Corinthians 11:24,25*

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**M:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** Amen.

# LAMB OF GOD

*Agnus Dei*

*John 1:29*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



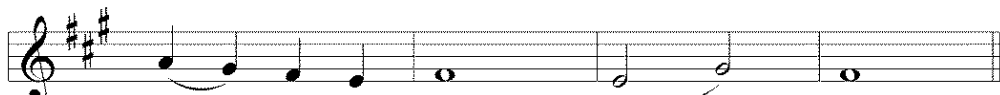
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us your peace. A - men.

**BE SEATED**

## DISTRIBUTION

*In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with a pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.*



# DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CWS 738)

# In Hopelessness and Near Despair



1 In hope - less - ness and near de - spair, I  
 2 I see my heart's con - di - tion now, My  
 3 I trem - ble as I feel your hand, Ex -  
 4 For - giv - en, free of guilt and shame, Grant



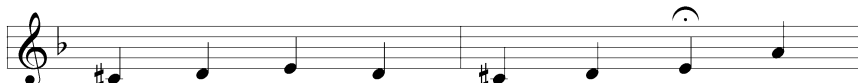
cry to you, my Sav - ior! My guilt is more than  
 heart's di - verse af - fec - tions. Why do I love the  
 pec - ting re - tri - bu - tion, Yet hear no curse or  
 me some time to ren - der A gift to glo - ri -



I can bear. I have not earned your fav - or. You  
 things you loathe; I'm torn in two di - rec - tions: Now  
 re - pri - mand, But grace and ab - so - lu - tion: With  
 fy your name, Love to re - flect your splen - dor: This



know me as I real - ly am: How  
 prod - i - gal, now Phar - i - see. O  
 you there is for - give - ness, Lord, You  
 world must know what I have learned, That



much is truth, how much is sham; Why  
 God, be mer - ci - ful to me; Who  
 speak the sweet, con - sol - ing Word, And  
 you be - stow what none has earned: The



should you heed my plead - ing?  
 else but you can help me?  
 I am sure you love me!  
 joy of full for - give - ness!

*This hymn is a recasting of Martin Luther's great penitential hymn "From Depths of Woe I Cry to You."*

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 Tune: NEWHOPE (87 87 887) G. A. Hennig, b. 1966 © 2006 G. A. Hennig. All rights reserved. Used by permission.



1 Bless - ed are they, for - ev - er blest,  
 2 Bless - ed are they to whom the Lord  
 3 From guile their hearts and lips are free;  
 4 How glo - rious is that right - eous - ness



Whose guilt is par - doned by their God,  
 Im - putes not their in - iq - ui - ty.  
 Their hum - ble joy, their ho - ly fear  
 That hides and can - cels all their sins,



Whose sins with sor - row are con - fessed  
 They plead no mer - it or re - ward  
 With deep re - pent - ance well a - gree  
 While bright the ev - i - dence of grace



And cov - ered with their Sav - ior's blood.  
 And not on works but grace re - ly.  
 And join to prove their faith sin - cere.  
 Through all their lives ap - pears and shines!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.

Tune: O JESU CHRISTE, WAHRES LICHT (LM) *Andächtige Haus-Kirche*, Nürnberg, 1676, alt.

STAND

SONG OF SIMEON

Luke 2:29-32

Nunc Dimittis

Tune: ANGEL'S STORY

1 O Lord, now let your serv - ant De - part in peace,  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All glo - ry to  
as - sured: For I have seen your prom - ised In -  
the Son, All glo - ry to the Spir - it, For -  
car - nate, sav - ing Word— A Light that will en -  
ev - er three in one; For as in the be -  
light - en All gloom where Gen - tiles dwell; The bril - liant,  
gin - ning, Is now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une  
crown - ing glo - ry Of those in Is - ra - el!  
name re - sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

**M:** We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

## BLESSING

Numbers 6:24-26

**M:** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

**C:** Amen.

*BE SEATED*

## CLOSING HYMN (CW 379)

## Amazing Grace – How Sweet the Sound



1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound—  
2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me;  
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares  
4 When we've been there ten thou - sand years,



That saved a wretch like me! I  
His Word my hope se - cures. He  
I have al - read - y come; 'Tis  
Bright shin - ing as the sun, We've



once was lost but now am found,  
will my shield and por - tion be  
grace has brought me safe thus far,  
no less days to sing God's praise



Was blind but now I see.  
As long as life en - dures.  
And grace will lead me home.  
Than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, st. 1-3, abr.; John P. Rees, 19th century, st. 4.  
Tune: NEW BRITAIN (CM) *Columbian Harmony*, Cincinnati, 1829, alt.

*Following the 8:00 service, all are invited to remain in (or return to) the sanctuary for the beginning of Adult Bible Class, Sunday School, and Teen Bible Study. Children may remain with their parents. All will begin together in the sanctuary at 9:15.*

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## **Personal Prayers for Worship**

### **Before Communion:**

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

### **After Communion:**

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

## **Sunday March 27: Fourth Sunday in Lent**

### **Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion**

#### **9:15 am: Adult Bible study, Teen Group and Sunday School**

- Preaching Pastor: Michael Willitz • Presiding Pastor: Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Children's Bell Director: Ruth Kovaciny
- Soloist: Elaine Wilson
- Councilman: Jim Miller (8:00) and Mitch Myhre (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Ryan Jaeger and Aaron Oughton
- Ushers 10:30 am: Joshua Hodkiewicz and Greg Zeman
- Counters: Mike Wilson and Roger LaGrange
- Altar Guild: Bonnie Punzel • A/V & Recording: Devin Anderson

## **Wednesday Lent Worship - March 30, Services at 12:30 and 6:30 pm**

- Pastor: Jacob Scott
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Ushers 6:30 pm: *Volunteers needed*
- Altar Guild: Bonnie Punzel • A/V & Recording: Joe Hornbeck

## **Sunday April 3: Fifth Sunday in Lent**

### **Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion**

#### **9:15 am: Adult Bible study, Teen Group and Sunday School**

- Preaching Pastor: Joel Jenswold • Presiding Pastor: Michael Willitz
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman/Elder: Dave Olson (8:00) and Greg Zeman (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Sef Fox, Dave Olson and Ben Olson
- Ushers 10:30 am: The Heath Family
- Counters: Kim Bauer and *additional counter needed*
- Altar Guild: Colleen Biwer and Mandi Miller • A/V & Recording: Jen Olson

**Happy Birthday:** We wish God's blessings to Ashley Natysin (3/27), Beth Zauner (3/27), Ben Plum (3/28) and Nicole Meadowcroft (4/2) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

**In Our Prayers:** Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Wyatt Kingsland, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Barb Noltemeyer, Marilyn Richardson, Marge Ripp and Peg Schroeder who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all of our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

# Wednesday Lent Services

Worship 12:30 and 6:30 pm

March 30 and April 6

*Potluck dinner April 6 at 5:30 pm*



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**Alms Box for Ukraine:** Lord of Love is taking a collection for WELS relief efforts for Ukraine. The alms box will be located at church from March 23 – April 6. Any contributions placed in this box will be sent to the WELS efforts in supporting the Ukrainian Lutheran Church with emergency needs as their country is torn apart by war.

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**Communion:** We will be resuming our regular communion practice starting Easter Sunday (April 17). Communion will continue to be offered each Sunday, but the four stations at the front will be discontinued. Ushers will direct communicants forward and they will stand at the front on each side. (Our practice before Covid.) If you have any questions or concerns, speak with one of the Pastors or a councilmen. At the April open forum meeting, there will be time for discussion regarding the frequency of communion.

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**Easter Breakfast:** We have two coordinators for our Easter Breakfast on April 17. Plan to join us for the delicious meal between services at 9:15. Church provides the eggs, pancakes, sausage & beverages. The congregation brings the sides. See the signup sheet as you enter church to see what you can bring or where to volunteer. Come hungry!

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**Food Drive Begins:** For the month of April, we will be collecting items for the DeForest & Windsor Food Pantry. Donations can be brought to church and placed in the bin as you enter. Items needed are:

- Non-perishable food items; canned goods, grains, cereals, etc.
  - Toiletries/Personal Care Items/Diapers
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**Activity Sheets at the back of church:** There are many announcements and activities happening at church. Be sure to pick up a yellow activity sheet at the back of church as you leave today.

## Offerings March 6 - 12, 2022:

- General Fund: \$9,288
- Building Expansion Fund: \$95

Weekly amount to meet budgeted General Fund expenses: \$8,660

MTD shortage/surplus (2/27 – 3/12): + \$12,687    YTD shortage/surplus as of Feb. 28: - \$30,670  
(Budget year July 2021 – June 2022)



**Electronic Giving:** You can give contributions to the church electronically through the Vanco Mobile app. Download the free app today in the **Google Play store** or the **Apple App store**. Find the church by searching for Lord of Love Lutheran Church in DeForest, or by its invite code, D4K54K.

*(March 6 -12, 2022: In the totals listed above, \$2,021 was given through Vanco to the general fund and \$75 to the building expansion fund.)*

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