Second Sunday in Lent February 28, 2021

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INVOCATION

- ightharpoonspice In the name of the Father and of the ightharpoonspice Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

EXHORTATION

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- Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.

- If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **©** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

CONFESSION OF SINS

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Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

- Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

INTROIT

Psalm 115:11–13, 18; antiphon: Psalm 25:6

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your | steadfast love,* for they have been | from of old.

You who fear the LORD, trust | in the LORD!*

He is their help | and their shield.

The LORD has remembered us; he will | bless us;*

he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of | Aaron;

he will bless those who | fear the LORD,*

both the small | and the great.

We will | bless the LORD*

from this time forth and forevermore. | Praise the LORD!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your | steadfast love,*

for they have been | from of old.



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY: LENT 2

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: GENESIS 17:1–7, 15–16 *Genesis* 17:1–7, 15–16

Abraham and the Covenant of Circumcision

¹When 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, ²that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly." ³Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, ⁴"Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. ⁵No 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. ⁶I 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. . . .

Isaac's Birth Promised

¹⁵And God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I 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."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE: ROMANS 5:1-11 Peace with God Through Faith

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through 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. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and 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.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For 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. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL: MARK 8:27–38

Mark 8:27-38

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eighth chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

Peter Confesses Jesus As the Christ

²⁷And 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?" ²⁸And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." ²⁹And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." ³⁰And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

Jesus Foretells His Death and Resurrection

³¹And 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. ³²And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But 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."

³⁴And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross

and follow me. ³⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. ³⁶For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? ³⁷For what can a man give in return for his life? ³⁸For 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."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

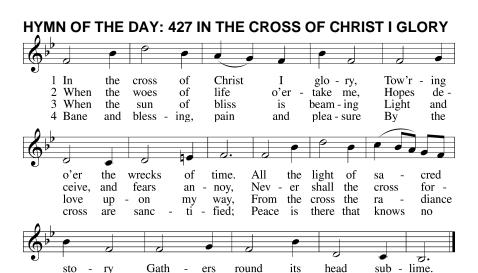
APOSTLES' CREED

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 Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life

→ everlasting. Amen.



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- P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the Lord to set our minds on His things rather than the things of man, that we may deny ourselves, take up our crosses and follow His Son through this life into the joys of His resurrection, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the Lord, who has given His Church the joy of proclaiming the truth that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us, to grant to all pastors the gifts of His Spirit to preach and teach this truth boldly and faithfully, and to help us confess it in word and deed in our daily lives, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the Lord to keep us from being ashamed of the Son of Man when we face persecution for His name in this world, that He may not be ashamed of us when He comes in His glory with the angels; and for Him to be near to all those who are facing martyrdom for

Christ, that they might be sustained unto the end and crowned with life before Him, let us pray to the Lord:

- C Lord, have mercy.
- That the Lord, to whom belongs all kingship and rule over the nations, would bless _____ and all those who govern us in His stead, that we may be ruled wisely and in accord with His will, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P For the Lord, through His Holy Spirit, to pour His love into the hearts of _____ and all those who suffer in our midst, that their sufferings may produce endurance, endurance character and character a hope that will not put them to shame; and that He would grant them health and healing in accord with His perfect will and sustain them in faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- That the Lord would deepen our hunger for His table through our afflictions, that we may eat and drink Christ's body and blood and be satisfied with Christ's saving life, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P That the Lord, before whom a multitude of nations rejoice in heaven, would sustain us in the same justifying faith of Abraham, that as his offspring we may share in the everlasting covenant God made with him, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.
- C Amen.

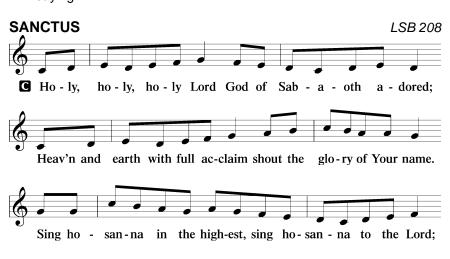
Service of the Sacrament

PREFACE LSB 208

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.

Tru - ly

- We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



in the name of the Lord!

blest is He who comes

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many.

As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My

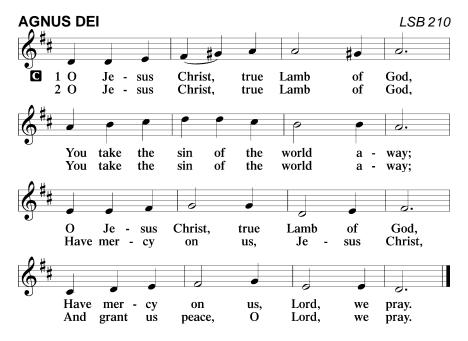
→ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.



DISTRIBUTION

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 → in peace.
- C Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 619 THY BODY, GIVEN FOR ME, O SAVIOR



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DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 631 HERE, O MY LORD, I SEE THEE FACE TO FACE





POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same 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.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

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A Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

- The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and

 → give you peace.
- C Amen.

HYMN TO DEPART: 435 COME TO CALVARY'S HOLY MOUNTAIN



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Lent and

Easter Services

Mid-Week Lent Services	March 3 rd March 10 th March 17 th March 24 th	12:00/7:00 pm 12:00/7:00 pm 12:007:00 pm 12:00/7:00 pm
Palm Sunday & Confirmation	March 28 th	9:00 am
Maundy Thursday With Communion	April 1 st	7:00 pm
Good Friday	April 2 nd	7:00 pm
Easter Sunday	April 4 th	9:00 am

Sunday School

The lesson this week is "The Idle Idol." Atop Mount Sinai, Moses receives the Law from God. Meanwhile, the Israelites grow impatient and convince Aaron to create a golden idol. When God sends Moses down from the mountain, Moses sees the people's wanton worship and smashes the stone tablets. The people are punished for their idolatry. Moses returns to Sinai to plead God's mercy for the people.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A drop box for contributions has been placed on the wall in the narthex.

Sunday 10:30 AM Bible Study and Sunday School have resumed.

Thursday Noon Bible Study will meet in Fellowship Hall.

Lutheran Student Fellowship will meet on Tuesdays at 5:30 pm in the Lutheran Student Center.

Altar guild volunteers are needed for the month of April.

The flower chart for 2021 is located on the bulletin board. If you would like to volunteer to provide altar flowers, please sign up there. There are many Sundays available.

Thank you, Bob and Debbie Lemen for providing altar care today.

LWML Mite Collection will be next Sunday, March 7. The collection box will be located in the narthex. Mites fund district and national LWML mission projects.

LWML Bible Class will be held Monday, March 22, 2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.