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**The Third Sunday in Lent, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**TODAY'S PRAYERS:** Gary Edel, Annette Borchardt, Colleen Osadchuk, Dorothy Quiring, Bruce Bird, Wally Funk, Jack Zacharias, Rick Fenske, Julian Woligroski, Del Jones, Kevin Patrick, Richard Biletski, Dianne McLeod, Irene Henschel, Pastor Schollenberg and family and Norbert Christmann.

**The Order of Service:** Divine Service Setting Four,  
**Opening Hymn:** This Is the Day the Lord Has Made

LSB 203

**LSB 903**

- 1 This is the day the Lord has made;  
He calls the hours His own.  
Let heav'n rejoice, let earth be glad  
And praise surround the throne.
- 2 Today He rose and left the dead,  
And Satan's empire fell;  
Today the saints His triumphs spread  
And all His wonders tell.
- 3 Hosanna to the anointed King,  
To David's holy Son!  
Help us, O Lord; descend and bring  
Salvation from Your throne.
- 4 Blessed is He who comes to us  
With messages of grace;  
He, in the Lord's name, comes to us  
To save our fallen race.
- 5 Hosanna in the highest strains  
The Church on earth can raise.  
The highest heav'ns, in which He reigns,  
Shall give Him nobler praise.

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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the Name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Our help is in the Name of the Lord,

**C** Who made heaven and earth.

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** 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, 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.

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

**P** Almighty God, in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**Introit**

*Psalm 5:4–8; antiphon: Psalm 1:6*

For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,  
**but the way of the wicked will perish.**

For You are not a God Who delights in wickedness;  
**evil may not dwell with You.**

The boastful shall not stand before Your eyes;  
**You hate all evildoers.**

You destroy those who speak lies;  
**the LORD abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.**

But I, through the abundance of Your steadfast love, will enter Your house.  
**I will bow down toward Your Holy Temple in the fear of You.**

Lead me, O LORD, in Your righteousness because of my enemies;  
**make Your way straight before me.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,  
**but the way of the wicked will perish.**

**Kyrie**

LSB 204

**C** Lord, have mercy;  
Christ, have mercy;  
Lord, have mercy.

**Hymn of Praise: "Omitted during Lent"**

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

*Sit*

**The Old Testament Reading**

*Ezekiel 33:7–20*

**<sup>7</sup>"So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a Word from My mouth, you shall give them warning from Me. <sup>8</sup>If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. <sup>9</sup>But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul. <sup>10</sup>And you, son of man, say to the house of Israel, Thus have you said: 'Surely our transgressions and our sins are upon us, and we rot away because of them. How then can we live?' <sup>11</sup>Say to**

them, As I live, declares the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel? <sup>12</sup>And you, son of man, say to your people, the righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him when he transgresses, and as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall by it when he turns from his wickedness, and the righteous shall not be able to live by his righteousness when he sins. <sup>13</sup>Though I say to the righteous that he shall surely live, yet if he trusts in his righteousness and does injustice, none of his righteous deeds shall be remembered, but in his injustice that he has done he shall die. <sup>14</sup>Again, though I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' yet if he turns from his sin and does what is just and right, <sup>15</sup>if the wicked restores the pledge, gives back what he has taken by robbery, and walks in the statutes of life, not doing injustice, he shall surely live; he shall not die. <sup>16</sup>None of the sins that he has committed shall be remembered against him. He has done what is just and right; he shall surely live. <sup>17</sup>Yet your people say, 'The way of the Lord is not just,' when it is their own way that is not just. <sup>18</sup>When the righteous turns from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it. <sup>19</sup>And when the wicked turns from his wickedness and does what is just and right, he shall live by them. <sup>20</sup>Yet you say, 'The way of the Lord is not just.' O house of Israel, I will judge each of you according to his ways."

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm**

*Psalm 85; antiphon: v. 8*

<sup>1</sup>LORD, You were favorable to Your land; You restored the fortunes of Jacob.

**<sup>2</sup>You forgave the iniquity of Your people; You covered all their sin.**

<sup>3</sup>You withdrew all Your wrath; You turned from Your hot anger.

**<sup>4</sup>Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away Your indignation toward us!**

<sup>5</sup>Will You be angry with us forever? Will You prolong Your anger to all generations?

**<sup>6</sup>Will You not revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?**

<sup>7</sup>Show us Your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us Your salvation.

**<sup>8</sup>Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints; but let them not turn back to folly.**

<sup>9</sup>Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him, that glory may dwell in our land.

**<sup>10</sup>Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.**

<sup>11</sup>Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.

**<sup>12</sup>Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.**

<sup>13</sup>Righteousness will go before Him and make His footsteps a way.

## The Epistle Lesson:

**1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 10:1–13**

<sup>1</sup>I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, <sup>2</sup>and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, <sup>3</sup>and all ate the same spiritual food, <sup>4</sup>and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. <sup>5</sup>Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness. <sup>6</sup>Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. <sup>7</sup>Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, **“The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.”** <sup>8</sup>We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. <sup>9</sup>We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, <sup>10</sup>nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. <sup>11</sup>Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. <sup>12</sup>Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. <sup>13</sup>No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and He will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation He will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

**Alleluia and Verse** “Omitted during Lent”

## The Holy Gospel

**Luke 13:1–9**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>There were some present at that very time who told [Jesus] about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. <sup>2</sup>And He answered them, **“Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? <sup>3</sup>No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. <sup>4</sup>Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? <sup>5</sup>No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.”** <sup>6</sup>And He told this parable: **“A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. <sup>7</sup>And he said to the vinedresser, ‘Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?’ <sup>8</sup>And he answered him, ‘Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. <sup>9</sup>Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.”**”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## The 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.**

*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day:** May God Bestow on Us His Grace

**LSB 824**

- 1 May God bestow on us His grace,  
With blessings rich provide us;  
And may the brightness of His face  
To life eternal guide us,  
That we His saving health may know,  
His gracious will and pleasure,  
And also to the nations show  
Christ's riches without measure  
And unto God convert them.
- 2 Thine over all shall be the praise  
And thanks of ev'ry nation;  
And all the world with joy shall raise  
The voice of exultation.  
For Thou shalt judge the earth, O Lord,  
Nor suffer sin to flourish;  
Thy people's pasture is Thy Word  
Their souls to feed and nourish,  
In righteous paths to keep them.
- △ 3 O let the people praise Thy worth,  
In all good works increasing;  
The land shall plenteous fruit bring forth,  
Thy Word is rich in blessing.  
May God the Father, God the Son,  
And God the Spirit bless us!  
Let all the world praise Him alone,  
Let solemn awe possess us.  
Now let our hearts say, "Amen!"

*Stand*

**Prayer of the Church**

*Sit*

**Offering:** Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

**LSB 761**

- 1 Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood,  
From Thy riven side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure:  
Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
  
- 2 Not the labors of my hands  
Can fulfill Thy Law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know,  
Could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone;  
Thou must save, and Thou alone.
  
- 3 Nothing in my hand I bring;  
Simply to Thy cross I cling.  
Naked, come to Thee for dress;  
Helpless, look to Thee for grace;  
Foul, I to the fountain fly;  
Wash me, Savior, or I die.
  
- 4 While I draw this fleeting breath,  
When mine eyelids close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown,  
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee.

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## The Lord's Prayer

**C** 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.

*Sit*

## Closing Collect

**P** O God, from Whom come all Holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your Commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; 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

LSB 212

**P** Let us bless the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

**P** 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.

- 1 Guide me, O Thou great Redeemer,  
Pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;  
Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
Feed me till I want no more;  
Feed me till I want no more.
  
- 2 Open now the crystal fountain  
Whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through.  
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,  
Be Thou still my strength and shield;  
Be Thou still my strength and shield.
  
- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death and hell's destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises, songs of praises  
I will ever give to Thee;  
I will ever give to Thee.

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**LWMLC Webinar: March 26<sup>th</sup>, @ 10:00 a.m.:** A Development of a New Mission Site in LVIV, Ukraine. LCC Director of Missions, Pastor Mark Smith will talk about the Mission and the current unrest in the Ukraine. Everyone is welcome to join Annette at LCGS to view the Webinar – Coffee and Chocolate to be served.

**Mid-Week Lenten Worship:** Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:00 p.m.

**Confirmation Instruction:** Thursday, at LCGS @ 4:00 p.m.

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