

March 18, 2018

*Glorify  
your name*

St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church

Juneau, Wisconsin

# Fifth Sunday in Lent

*The readings this Sunday tie Lent together with both Epiphany and Easter. In them Jesus shows his glory as a saving glory but a glory that is hidden under a blanket of suffering and a veil of humiliation.*

## HYMN 239

**“Glory Be to God the Father”**

### STAND

- 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.**

### CONFESSION OF SINS

- M:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C:** **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**
- M:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.
- C:** **Amen.**

### PRAYER AND PRAISE

- M:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

**C:** *(sing)* Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.  
Blessed are they who take refuge in him.  
Your Word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens.  
Your faithfulness continues forever.  
Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.  
Blessed are they who take refuge in him.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**M:** Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation that through his anguish, pain, and death we may receive forgiveness of sins and inherit eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** *(sing)* Amen.

*BE SEATED*

## **THE WORD**

### **FIRST LESSON**

**Jeremiah 31:31-34 (NIV)**

<sup>31</sup> “The days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah.

<sup>32</sup> It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,” declares the LORD.

<sup>33</sup> “This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,” declares the LORD.

“I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts.

I will be their God, and they will be my people.

<sup>34</sup> No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, ‘Know the LORD,’

because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,” declares the LORD.

“For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.”

### **PSALM OF THE DAY 145**

*please sing in unison*

*printed on page 119 in the hymnal*

## SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 5:7-10 (EHV)

<sup>7</sup> In the days of his flesh, he offered prayers and pleas with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. <sup>8</sup> Although he was the Son, he learned obedience from the things he suffered. <sup>9</sup> After he was brought to his goal, he became the source of eternal salvation for everyone who obeys him, <sup>10</sup> because he was designated by God as a high priest, like Melchizedek.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

**M:** The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. (Mark 10:45 cf. NIV)

STAND

## GOSPEL

John 12:20-33 (EHV)

<sup>20</sup> Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the Festival. <sup>21</sup> They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we want to see Jesus." <sup>22</sup> Philip went to tell Andrew. Andrew came with Philip and told Jesus.

<sup>23</sup> Jesus answered them, "The time has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup> Amen, Amen, I tell you: Unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it continues to be one kernel. But if it dies, it produces much grain. <sup>25</sup> Anyone who loves his life destroys it. And the one who hates his life in this world will hold on to it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup> If anyone serves me, let him follow me. And where I am, there my servant will be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

<sup>27</sup> "Now my soul is troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, this is the reason I came to this hour. <sup>28</sup> Father, glorify your name!" A voice came from heaven: "I have glorified my name, and I will glorify it again."

<sup>29</sup> The crowd standing there heard it and said it thundered. Others said an angel talked to him. <sup>30</sup> Jesus answered, "This voice was not for my sake but for yours.

<sup>31</sup> "Now is the judgment of this world. Now the ruler of this world will be thrown out. <sup>32</sup> And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." <sup>33</sup> He said this to indicate what kind of death he was going to die.

**M:** The gospel of our Lord.

**C:** (*sing*) Praise be to you, O Christ!

*BE SEATED*

## **HYMN OF THE DAY 122**

**“Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle”**

## **SERMON**

**John 12:20-33 (EHV)**

*STAND*

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.**

*BE SEATED*

## **THANKSGIVING**

## **OFFERING / SPECIAL MUSICAL OFFERING**

*STAND*

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**M:** Lord God, our maker and preserver, we praise and thank you for all that you give us day after day.

**C:** **We are not worthy of all the mercies you show us.**

**M:** You have given us your precious Word to nourish our souls and to protect us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature.

**C:** **We thank you for those who teach and preach your saving truth at this place and everywhere. Grant them a rich measure of patience, wisdom, and love.**

**M:** Heavenly Father, we pray that you shield us from every kind of danger: sudden catastrophe, terrors of crime, and the pain of disease. Watch over those who travel by land, sea, and air. Keep our loved ones from whatever perils may threaten them.

- C:** Heal those who are sick, cheer those who are sad, calm those who are distressed, and comfort all who are old and infirm.
- M:** Bless our land, our people, and those who hold offices of high trust. Keep our government and schools upright and strong for the advancement of good citizenship and useful vocations, that we may enjoy your gifts of peace, security, and well-being.
- C:** Grant your blessing to every nation on earth. Where there are wars, may there be peace. Where there is hatred, let it be healed. Where there is poverty, danger, or disaster, come with your almighty power to help and restore.

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

- M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

- M:** We bring these requests before you in the name of Jesus our Lord, and ask you to hear us. Take all that we have, our bodies and minds, our time and skills, our ministries and offerings, and use them to your glory.
- C:** We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight. Amen.

## **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.

**BE SEATED**

## **HYMN 399**

**“To God Be the Glory”**

**STAND**

- M:** Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** *(sing)* **Amen.**

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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:** *(sing)* **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

**HYMN 327**

**“God Be with You till We Meet Again”**

## **WELS CONNECTION VIDEO**

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Organist: Ruth Affeld  
Flute: Lindsay Affeld

## **Announcements:**

**Palm Sunday:** Next week, March 25<sup>th</sup>, is Palm Sunday! We will be having a special opening to our church services. Any children and parents who are interested, are invited to march to the front of church carrying palm branches (depicting what it was like for Jesus entering Jerusalem). If you are interested in participating, please meet in the narthex 10 minutes before your service on Sunday. Thank you!

**Dinner and a Show:** The grade school children will be putting on their “Big Bad Musical” on April 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. On Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, in hopes of raising some money for their mission trip this summer, the youth group is offering a meal so that you can make it “dinner and a show.” The meal will be offered in the church basement and will be Italian themed – Spaghetti and Meatballs or Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo, with salad, garlic bread and a drink. The show times on that Saturday are at 2:00 and 6:00 pm. You can make a reservation for the meal anytime

between 4:00 and 8:30 pm. Call/text Jennica Jensen at 920-296-9100 to make your reservation. Any donation and support of the youth group is greatly appreciated.

**Youth Group families:** We need supplies to put on this meal. If you are able to donate some of the food/supplies, please do so. We need: spaghetti; spaghetti sauce, fettuccini; boneless, skinless, chicken; shredded parmesan cheese; butter; French bread. Please let Jeanette Jensen know what you can provide by April 1st: 920-382-9242

**Silent Auction/Bake Sale:** As in the past, some have asked if there are other ways to support the youth group and their mission trip. If you have any items you would like to donate for a silent auction or baked goods for a bake sale, the youth group will make those available during the meal/show. Please have auction items to church by Wednesday April 4 and any baked goods please deliver to church on Friday, April 6 or the morning of Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. Again, thank you for any support!

### **School Musical — “Big Bad Musical.”**

Our school musical will be held on Friday and Saturday, April 6 & 7. Performance times are Friday night at 7:00 P.M. and Saturday at 2:00 P.M. & 6:00 P.M. Tickets are \$4.00 in advance and \$5.00 at door. Tickets will be available for purchase at church: Sunday, March 11, 18 & 25 —between services in the church basement. NO SALES on Easter Sunday. Tickets will be also be available at school: Monday through Thursday, 8:00 A.M. to noon and all day on Fridays. You may buy them at school or call the school office at 920-386-4644 during that time to reserve your tickets. You may also email school to reserve your tickets at [school@st.johnsjuneau.org](mailto:school@st.johnsjuneau.org). Come and enjoy the show!



**Bucks tickets:** St. Stephen's Lutheran Church invites you to join them for a Milwaukee Bucks game on Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>. Bus leaves St. John's at 4:30pm (after the 3:30 Lenten Service) and the Bucks game is at 7:00pm. There are 20 **free** tickets available. Please place one name per line until all 20 tickets are reserved. Signup sheet in the narthex. There is a fee for the bus (TBA).

**Group Pictures for Directory:** If you are part of a group at St. John's (a committee, board, etc.), and your group hasn't had a picture taken for the upcoming 2018 directory, please reserve Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> between services as a time to have your group picture taken. This is in conjunction with our "Fellowship Sundays" (please read further in the bulletin for more information). More information for the group pictures coming soon!

**Easter Lilies:** 20 Easter Lilies are still available for purchase from Robin's Countryside Gardens. The cost is \$14.00/plant. If you are interested in ordering an Easter Lily to help beautify the church on Easter Sunday, please see the signup sheet in the narthex.

**Easter Basket Delivery:** Are you interested in spreading a little Easter cheer? Delivery drivers and children are needed to drop off Easter baskets to the shut-ins of our congregation on March 27th from 3-6:00 P.M. Please let Shannon Schmidt know if you can help at [shext@hotmail.com](mailto:shext@hotmail.com).

## **St. Johns Weekly Schedule** **March 18-24**

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| Sunday    | Worship 8:00 & 10:30am<br>Bible Class & Sunday School 9:15am<br>Blood Pressure 9:15am<br>Clearview 2:30pm   |
| Monday    | Faith & Fitness 6pm<br>Board of Education 7pm   |
| Tuesdays  | Every Member Visits<br>Jesus Cares 1:30pm<br>Choir 7pm (schedule change)  |
| Wednesday | Matthew's Place 9am<br>Clearview 10am<br>Mid-Week Communion 11am<br>Shut-In Meeting 11am<br>Worship 3:30 & 6:30pm<br>Lenten Meal 4:30-6:00pm - soup<br>Confirmation 5pm |
| Thursday  | Budget 7pm  |
| Saturday  | Euchre Night 6:30-9:00pm  |

### **Statistics for March 7 & 11**

Attendance 3/7: 282 (212, 70)

Attendance 3/11: 374 (234, 140)

### **Offerings given to the Lord 3/7:**

|             |            |
|-------------|------------|
| General     | \$2,605.50 |
| Missions    | \$545.00   |
| Improvement | \$15.00    |
| Debt        | \$25.00    |
| Lakeside    | \$10.00    |
| Total       | \$3,200.50 |

### **Offerings given to the Lord 3/11:**

|             |             |
|-------------|-------------|
| General     | \$10,129.77 |
| Missions    | \$660.50    |
| Improvement | \$75.00     |
| Debt        | \$693.00    |
| Lakeside    | \$157.50    |
| Total       | \$11,715.77 |

# LWMS Free-Will Offering Next Sunday

There will be a free-will offering collected March 25th. We are raising money for

**A HOME Mission Project:** **Hmong Evangelist Training** God has opened many doors into the Hmong community. As the Lord gathers people in Christ, he is raising up leaders who want to be equipped to serve as evangelists and perhaps to continue in studies to become pastors. Your gifts will support the ongoing expense for study materials, instructors, and assistance to the students.

**A WORLD Mission Project:** **Apache Christian Training School – ACTS** provides theological courses to train and equip White Mountain and San Carlos Apache Tribes for ministry. In addition to in-class work, hands-on experience gets the men and women into the congregations to practice and model ministry. The goal is Apaches serving Apaches in this life, so more attain the goal of eternal life. The program trains Apaches to be pastors, evangelists, deacons and deaconesses, and certified Apache Lutheran teachers. The time commitment is significant. Many ACTS students struggle to make ends meet while attending evening classes in various locations. In addition, most students have families and often have menial jobs. Funding for the program itself remains a challenge. While the ACTS director is currently funded by WELS, the operational costs of the seminary and ministry school are funded only by gifts and donations. Your gifts will help to fund the following projects and others as needed: Student subsidies, additional staffing, facility costs and renovations, training materials, promotion, and travel expenses.

**Please prayerfully consider supporting these two mission projects of the LWMS Beaver Dam Circuit!**

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**Camp Phillip Donations:** The service project for the 2018 LWMS Spring Rally in Fox Lake benefits Camp Phillip and is a great project for our church and school to partner in! Donations will be collected March 26th-April 6th and can be dropped off at our school or in our church's narthex on the large table by the library. The Camp wish list and information regarding their building project can be found in the March Welcome. Please look them over and see how you can use your God-given blessings to support Camp Phillip!

## **Fellowship Opportunities**

### **“Fellowship Sundays”**

We would like to have some periodic “Fellowship Sundays” where the Bible Class hour between the Sunday services will be used for meeting, greeting and fellowshiping with each other. We will put a spread out of snacks and coffee in the narthex and basement and encourage people to stay around after the early service or come early for the late service. Introduce yourself to someone you don’t know! Catch up with someone you haven’t talked to in a while! Enjoy each other’s company! Show one another your love and concern for them. John 15:17 “This is my [Jesus] command: Love each other.”

Our initial plan is to have a “Fellowship Sunday” when there is a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in the month during the school year. The first one will be April 29<sup>th</sup>. Please plan on sticking around (or coming early) for it!

### **“Euchre Night”**

We are planning a monthly Euchre night in the church basement. It will be a light-hearted tournament style evening, with partners advancing and/or switching around throughout the evening. This will be a great opportunity to have some fun and interact with many different people. Come and play. If you don’t know how to play that well, that’s alright. Come and learn. Come alone or bring a partner or bring the family.

The first 2 Euchre nights will be Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. The playing will begin around 6:30 and we should be done by 9. For the March Euchre night, if your last name begins with A-M, we would ask you to bring a snack to share. For the April Euchre night, if your last name begins with N-Z, we would ask you to bring a snack to share. Hope to see many of you there. If you don’t like to drive at night but would like to come, please talk to Mary Weinheimer 920-296-0341, who would love to arrange a ride for you.

# WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S

We are so glad you joined us to worship our Lord Jesus today. St. John's is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). We are happy to answer your questions about our service, our beliefs, or communicant membership in our congregation. Please join us again soon!

## INFORMATION

- Our ushers are here to point you in the right direction and assist you in any way. Please ask.
- Restrooms: our first restroom is located inside the comfort station/children's room by turning right outside the sanctuary doors. A second restroom is located left in the narthex, across from the elevator. Additional restrooms are located in the basement.
- We have two comfort stations/children's rooms if your little ones need a moment. Proceed left out of the sanctuary doors and turn either right or left.
- Children's activity bags are available and are located in the comfort station/children's room. Proceed out of the sanctuary doors and turn right. We also have Children's Bulletins. Please ask an usher for assistance.

## PERSONAL PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Heavenly Father, I have come to worship you. Draw near to me in your gracious Word, and assure me of your loving kindness. Curb my wandering thoughts, that with undivided attention I may hear your voice and sing your praise. Amen.



### Pastors:

David Brandt  
Paul Schupmann

### Principal:

Richard Cody

### Services:

Wednesday 3:30 & 6:30pm  
Sunday 8 & 10:30am

### Bible Class:

Sunday 9:15am

### Sunday School:

9:15am

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