

First Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 10, 2019



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The Mission of Christ Lutheran Church is to help all people know Jesus as their Savior and grow in relationship with Him.

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DIVINE SERVICE: Setting Four

HYMN "God Loved the World So That He Gave" LSB 571 vs. 1,2,3,6 Δ

INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

CONFESSION and ABOLUTION

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, 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.

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

Ps. 91:9–13; antiphon: Ps. 91:15–16

P: When he calls to Me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him.

C: With long life I will satisfy him and show him My salvation.

P: Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place – the Most High, who is my refuge –

C: no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent.

P: For He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

C: On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.

P: You will tread on the lion and the adder; the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

C: 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.

P: When he calls to Me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him.

C: With long life I will satisfy him and show him My salvation.

KYRIE



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

(The Gloria In Excelsis is omitted during Lent)

SALUTATION AND COLLECT

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; 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

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

¹ "When you come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, ² you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the Lord your God will choose, to make His name to dwell there. ³ And you shall go to the

priest who is in office at that time and say to him, 'I declare today to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our fathers to give us.' ⁴ Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the Lord your God. ⁵ "And you shall make response before the Lord your God, 'A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. ⁶ And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. ⁷ Then we cried to the Lord, the God of our fathers, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸ And the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. ⁹ And He brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰ And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which You, O Lord, have given me.' And you shall set it down before the Lord your God and worship before the Lord your God. ¹¹ And you shall rejoice in all the good that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Romans 10:8b-13

⁸ "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹ because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹ For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in Him will not be put to shame." ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing His riches on all who call on Him. ¹³ For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 4th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 4:1-13

¹ And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness ² for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And He ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, He was hungry. ³ The devil said to Him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." ⁴ And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'" ⁵ And the devil took Him up and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, ⁶ and said to Him, "To You I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. ⁷ If You, then, will worship me, it will all be Yours." ⁸ And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only shall you serve.'" ⁹ And he took Him to Jerusalem and set Him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to Him, "If you are the Son of God, throw Yourself down from here, ¹⁰ for it is written, 'He will command His angels concerning You, to guard You,' ¹¹ and 'On their hands they will bear You up, lest You strike Your foot against a stone.'" ¹² And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ¹³ And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from Him until an opportune time.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

***HYMN** "Mark How the Lamb of God's Self-Offering" LSB 600*

SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

GATHERING OF THE OFFERINGS

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

If you are a confirmed member of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation, we invite you to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of an LCMS congregation and would like to come forward with your family and friends during the distribution, please place your hands over your heart and you will receive a blessing.

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

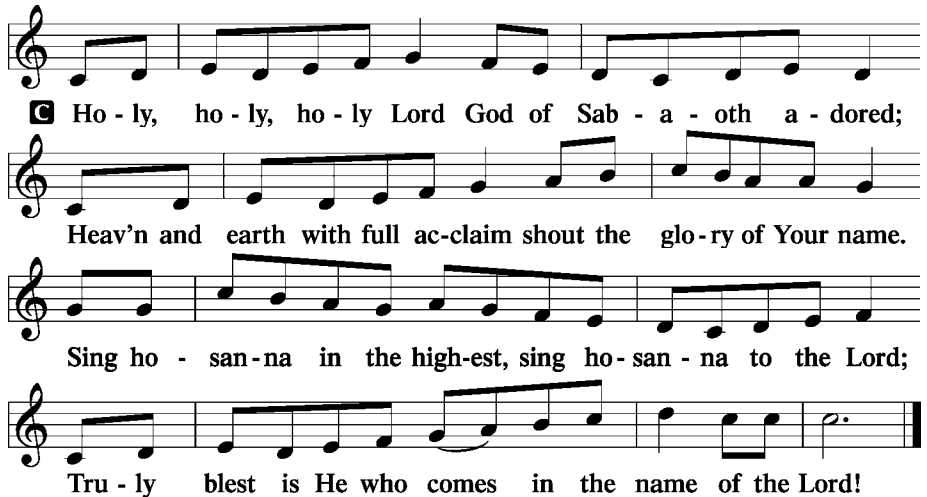
C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: 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:

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

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:

THE 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

NUNC DIMITTIS

C 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: 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 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 AND BENEDICTION

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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.

HYMN “God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven” **LSB 877 Δ**

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THIS WEEK AT CLC — (3/10/19 – 3/17/19)

Sunday: Worship/HC, 9:00am; Special Voters’ Meeting, 10:30am;
Education Hour, 10:30am

Tuesday: April Calendar Events Due; Church Council, 6:30pm

Wednesday: Bible class, 8:30am; 2nd year Confirmation, 5:00pm; 1st year Confirmation, 6:00pm

Thursday: Bethesda Work Day, 1:00pm; Worship/HC, 6:30pm

Sunday: Worship/HC, 9:00am; Education Hour, 10:30am

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S LOVE (Week ending March 3, 2019)

General & Building Funds: \$9737.00; Blessings: \$129.49; Memorial Fund: \$100.00; Youth Gathering: \$159.00; Pizza Sale: \$2378.50

Attendance: Thursday: 14; Sunday: 117

CLC ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUESTS AND VISITORS: We are glad you are here! We invite you to join us for fellowship following the service. Bathrooms are located upstairs on each end of the fellowship/Bible study area.

SPECIAL VOTERS ASSEMBLY will be held this Sunday at 10:30. We will be voting on extending a Divine Call for an Assistant Pastor to aid in the ministry here at CLC. Please plan on attending!

LENT MIDWEEK SERVICES are taking place on Thursday evenings at 6:30pm. Join us as we delve into the Lenten theme: “The Book of Exodus: Let My People Go!”

COMMUNITY MEAL: Christ Lutheran Church will be hosting a supper for those in need on Tuesday, March 19th at St. Paul's United Church of Christ. A volunteer sign-up sheet for assisting at the meal and providing food is on the fellowship hall podium. Monetary donations may be placed in Sandi Michaelis's mailbox. Thank you for sharing your time, finances, food, and hearts with those less fortunate!

BOOK DRIVE is being held through March. Please donate new or gently used books for all ages to fill a new lending library being placed at Airport Park on Lakeshore Drive, Schofield. Books and bookmarkers will also be distributed to Little Lambs Daycare and multiple other organizations throughout the community. Elsie Brzezinski is promoting reading at early childhood in the community as an effort to earn the Girl Scout Silver Award for Leadership & Volunteer work. THANK YOU for your participation!

PIZZA SALE UPDATE: Due to the generosity of the donor covering our expenses, we were able to give both BibleStick Ministry and the Valley \$2,032.22! Thank you to all who ordered pizzas and supported these worthy causes. A special THANK YOU to all who worked so hard behind the scenes and on pizza making day. You are very much appreciated!

Christ Lutheran Church is one of the supporting congregations of **GREATER WAUSAU CHRISTIAN SERVICES**, a local organization which offers jail and nursing home ministries. Brian Otten's three year term on the GWCS board ended in January. If you would like to represent our congregation on this board, please see Brian.

THE HOPE LIFE CENTER 2019 BANQUET will be held in Wausau on Monday, April 29th at the Hilton Garden Inn in Rib Mountain. This year we will be offering two options, an 11:30am lunch or a 6:00pm dinner. Our keynote speaker will be Kurt Dillinger, executive director of LIFE International located in Grand Rapids, Michigan. LIFE is a faith-based non-profit that started in 2000. Their mission is simple: "Spreading the message of life wherever abortion exists." You will hear testimonies

from courageous women who will share how God brought them healing and restoration after an abortion decision. We hope you can join us.

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS FOR CHURCH SERVICES /

ACTIVITIES: Please check the Channel 7 or Channel 9 websites, the CLC website or Facebook page, or call the church at 715-848-2040 and press option “6”.

BLOOD DRIVE has been rescheduled for Tuesday, April 2.

“LIFE QUOTES” from Lutherans For Life

“People with disabilities and their families have much to offer the Body of Christ, but often the Church sees them as needy—as a mercy ministry—not as valued contributing members. Look for ways for each of them to serve, including the person with disability.” *Mona Fuerstenau, Bethesda Lutheran Communities –*
(www.lutheransforlife.org)