



HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ

What Would The Lord Say? Worship · Witness · Teach · Love · Serve

Sunday, March 17, 2019

Second Sunday of Lent

PRELUDE / GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY WE WILL USE THE **BLUE HYMNAL**

“SURELY THE PRESENCE”

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings,
I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.
(Repeat)

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen

P: Absolution

#191 “FATHER, I ADORE YOU”

BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK:

“The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?” the psalmist declares. “The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?” From Psalm 27

If you have a prayer request, please fill out a pew card and give to an usher.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Heavenly father, it is Your glory always to have mercy. Bring back all who have erred and strayed from Your ways; lead them again to embrace in faith the truth of Your Word and to hold it fast; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy spirit, one God, now and forever.

After each petition:

P: Lord in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

HOPE FAMILY PRAYERS AND PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Matt & Sheila Teiken Family Mike & Lori Theis Family
Donna Thomas Family Chad & Holly Thorssen Family
Hazel Trogstad Family

P: God is good! C: All the time!

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1ST LESSON: GENESIS 15:1-12, 17-18

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great."

² But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will You give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³ And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴ But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵ He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then He said to him, "So shall your descendants be."

⁶ And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

⁷ Then He said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." ⁸ But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?"

⁹ He said to him, "Bring Me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon."

¹⁰ He brought Him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. ¹¹ And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

¹² As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

¹⁷ When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. ¹⁸ On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

2ND LESSON: PHILIPPIANS 3:17-4:1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us.¹⁸ For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears.¹⁹ Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things.²⁰ But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.²¹ He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of His glory, by the power that also enables Him to make all things subject to Himself.

4:1 Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

PSALM 119:105

**“Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
and a light unto my path.”**

(Repeat)

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GOSPEL: LUKE 13:31-35

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to Him, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill You."

³² He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for Me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish My work.³³ Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on My way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.'

³⁴ Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!³⁵ See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see Me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord."

P: The Word of the Lord;

C: Thanks be to God!

“THY WORD” (PSALM 119:105)

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

#624 **“HIS EYE IS ON THE SPARROW”**

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilot, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

(please be respectful of all signs of Peace, including bumping elbows, fist butts, Peace signs & handshakes)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY:

“GIVE THANKS”

Give thanks with a grateful heart;

Give thanks to the Holy One;

Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son.

(repeat)

Chorus:

And now let the weak say, “I am strong,”

let the poor say, “I am rich,”

because of what the Lord has done for us.

(repeat chorus)

Give Thanks!

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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.

THE BENEDICTION

P: Jesus is alive! C: That makes all the difference!

#151 **“A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD”**

POSTLUDE

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK/ DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

9:30 am Worship
10:30 am SS Classes/Fellowship
11:15 am Worship
6:30 pm Come & Laugh

MONDAY, MARCH 18 - Deut. 27

TUESDAY, MARCH 19 - Deut. 28

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

11:00 am Lenten Worship
12:00 pm Lenten Lunch
3:00 pm Kids Time
5:30 pm Lenten Supper
6:30 pm Lenten Worship
7:15 pm Choir Practice
7:30 pm Youth Time

THURSDAY, MARCH 21 - Deut. 29

7:40 am FCA Breakfast

FRIDAY, MARCH 22 - Deut. 30

8:30 am Friday School Gr. 1-8
9:30 am 9th Gr. Confirmation

SATURDAY, MARCH 23 - Deut. 32

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

9:30 am Worship
10:30 am SS Classes/Fellowship
11:15 am Worship

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A Listening Presence

God is Present
Caring not Curing
Nonjudgmental Presence
Active Listening

Everyone is, at times, on a difficult journey and needs a caring companion who will listen, empathize, and be a reminder of a caring, faith community.

BeFrienders provide care through a listening presence to anyone experiencing grief, loss, transition, or other concerns.

BeFrienders also participate in regular small group meetings with the supervision of the BeFriender leadership team. The meetings provide accountability and growth, and assist BeFrienders in their ability to listen, to be nonjudgmental, and to put aside their own prejudices or desire to give advice.

Prayer Requests

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Lydia & Drew Wahlstrom
BJ Jalowiec
Jesse Pederson
Bruce Pearson
Orland Aspen
Paisley Straub
Patti Niko
Mike Murray
Malia Halvorson
Ilene Sistad
Sara Friesen
Paul Nelson
Lois Storey
Margaret Rustad
Marion Larson
Karen Bolme
Hilma Stadstad
Janelle Knott
Colette Hogg
Keith & Kiki Caskey
Denise Monson
Marvedene Aakhus
Tim Jallen
Gladys Josephson
Trina Rodgers
Chase Mastell
Sally Hanson
Angie Olson
Sandy Schultz
Mike Knutson
Marion Farnworth
Elizabeth Barrineau
Tubby Solsten
Kenny Rose
Christina Anderson
Polly Simonson
Don Miller
LeRoy Johnson
Lynda Otness Hislop & family
Gary Hartel Family
Duane Salness
Gene Sistad
Judy Halvorson
Curt Nelson

Fosston Loaves and Fishes Food Shelf

Physical location: 203 Johnson AVE
S, Fosston, MN 56542

Mailing address:

PO Box 152, Fosston, MN 56542

Contact info: Phone: 218-431-0215;
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Distribution Times

The 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the
Month (after the 1st Tuesday)
from 12:30pm to 3:00pm

Donations

Monetary donations can be mailed
to: PO Box 152, Fosston, MN 56542
If you would like to donate food or
other items, please call the above
contact number to make arrange-
ments for pick-up or delivery.

Below is a list of items that go over very well at the food shelf:

Chicken Noodle Soup
Plain Pasta
Coffee/Tea
Canned Tomatoes
Breakfast Cereal
Canned Fruit
Crackers (any kind)
Salad Dressing
Canned meals: beef stew, spaghetti,
ravioli, etc.
Ketchup or Mustard
Jelly or Jam
Any Seasonings
Laundry Soap
Shampoo
Dishwashing Soap
Baby Diapers
Paper Towels
Kleenex
Toilet Paper
Baby Wipes
Cleaning Supplies
Plastic Grocery Bags

**100% of all donations go directly to
those in need!**

ENJOY THE CONVENIENCE OF ELECTRONIC GIVING

Hope Church wants to remind you that we offer electronic giving as a way to automate your regular weekly offering. Electronic giving offers convenience for individuals and provides much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. As you contemplate future contributions, please consider electronic giving. Authorization forms are available in the back of the Sanctuary and in the church office.

Following is a list of the information that is needed to get started:

- ⇒ Name and Address
- ⇒ Date of First Donation
- ⇒ Frequency of Donation (Weekly, Monthly, etc.)
- ⇒ Amount of Donation
- ⇒ Checking or Savings Account Routing and Account numbers

Donations amounts may be changed or discontinued any time simply by calling the church office.

If you would like to sign up for electronic giving, or want more information, please call the church office at 218-435-6765, or email hopezion@gvtel.com

H.E.L.P. is Here!

Our
Hhealth
Equipment
Lending

Project room has a selection of home health equipment. If you are in need of a loan of this kind of equipment, please call the church office. The intent is that this ministry would be the hands and feet of Jesus to anyone in need of this kind of assistance. **We are currently in need of donations of wheel chairs, walkers, canes with prongs, shower chairs, raised toilet seats, and commodes. Donations of all types of home health equipment are welcome.**

