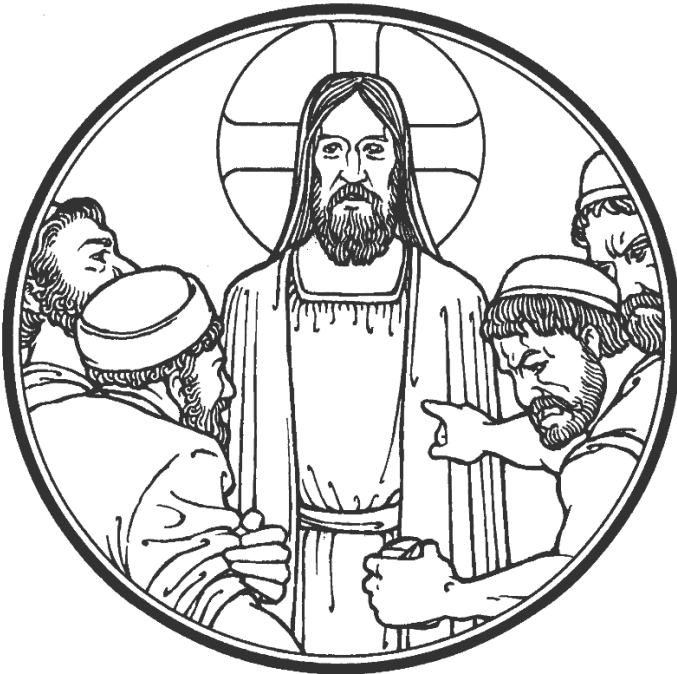




OUR REDEEMER

LUTHERAN CHURCH

A congregation of The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod, established in 1924



FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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Sunday, 17 March A+D 2024 • 9:00 A.M.

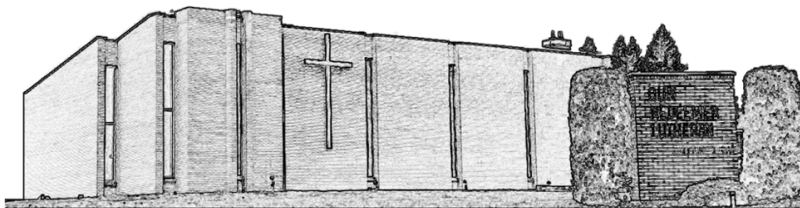
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WELCOME TO OUR REDEEMER

WE ARE PLEASED TO HAVE YOU WITH US TODAY AS WE GATHER AROUND GOD'S GIFTS OF FORGIVENESS, LIFE, AND SALVATION. If you are with us for the first time, please take a moment to introduce yourself to our pastor. Should you be looking for a church home, please indicate so when you sign the Record of Fellowship tablet. We would love to take the opportunity to tell you more about our congregation and what it means to be a part of the people of God here in the Twin Cities area.

A WORD TO OUR GUESTS ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION: In the Sacrament of the Altar, our Lord Jesus Christ gives us His very Body and Blood to eat and drink. Receiving the Sacrament is not merely a matter between God and the person, but a "communion," something done in "community." It is a public confession of our faith and expression of the unity that exists between Christians. Because of these reasons, Our Redeemer Lutheran Church practices closed communion. We invite those who are members in good standing of LCMS congregations to join us at the altar today. All those communing for the first time should speak with the pastor before doing so.



PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR: Christ offers His very body and blood, with the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins. Those who come before the holy altar of God to receive this body and blood do so having prepared to receive this holy gift.

1. Have you confessed your sins before God in heaven? (See the Ten Commandments, *LSB* page 321.)
2. Are you able to come forward in a spirit of unity with those communing with you? (See 1 Corinthians 1:10; 11:18-19.)
3. Do you share the confession of faith proclaimed in this congregation and church body? (See Acts 2:42, 1 Corinthians 11:26.)
4. Do you believe that this bread and wine is truly the body and blood of Christ? (See *LSB*, page 326, "What is the Sacrament of the Altar?")
5. Do you believe that this body and blood are given for your forgiveness, life, and salvation? (See *LSB* page 327, "What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?")

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To learn more about The LCMS, visit www.lcms.org.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TAKE THREE! By God's grace, we will finally baptize Isaiah Aaron Linsmeyer into Christ this morning! Isaiah is the son of Bradley & Hannah Linsmeyer. Sponsors for Isaiah are Casey & Casey Antonissen. We pray that God would hold Isaiah in His grace now and always.

ON EASTER MORNING during the Easter Breakfast and before and after the 9:00 A.M. service, we will be taking pictures of individuals and households to include in our 100th anniversary scrapbook. This book will be a picture directory, history, and cookbook and will be available for purchase later this year. Please plan on having your picture taken at some point that morning!

EASTER LILY SIGN-UP is on the kiosk in the narthex. Payment envelopes can be placed on the secretary's desk.

MOVIE NIGHT – SATURDAY, MARCH 23RD, 7:00 P.M.: Youth Group will be hosting a free showing, "Wallace & Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit", rated G, at Our Redeemer. Free will offering suggested, bring the family for popcorn and fun!

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE: Be sure to join us for the many opportunities to contemplate the suffering, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Thursday, March 28 th	7:00 P.M.	Holy Thursday Divine Service
Friday, March 29 th	1:00 P.M.	Good Friday Tenebrae Vespers
Sunday, March 31 st	6:30 A.M.	Easter Sunrise Divine Service
Sunday, March 31 st	7:30 A.M.	Easter Breakfast
Sunday, March 31 st	9:00 A.M.	Easter Day Divine Service

SPRING CLEANING? Help our local Habitat for Humanity by donating furniture! Notify Pastor Tom Mackey and he will even pick it up and deliver it 308-216-0563!

MIDWEEK LENT SUPPERS & SERVICES: We invite everyone to join us this Wednesday, March 20th at 6:00 P.M. for our Lenten Supper, which is a Congregational Potluck. Catechism Vespers will take place at 5:00 P.M. each Wednesday during the season of Lent. Our Midweek Divine Service will take place at 7:00 P.M. Suppers and Services will continue for all the Wednesdays of Lent.

BOTTLES/CANS: The Youth Group wants your bottles and cans! You may drop off your bottles/cans at the church entrance bottle bin.

SINGERS & MUSICIANS WANTED! - Love to sing? Do you play an instrument? Come and join the Gsus Singers. Practice is every Tuesday, 5:30-6:30 P.M. No commitment necessary. Join the fun!

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

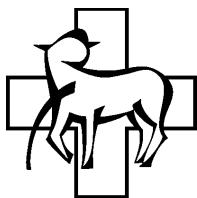
	<u>MUSIC</u>	<u>ELDERS</u>	<u>ALTAR GUILD</u>
<u>Week of 3/17</u>			
Sunday, 9:00 A.M.	Bruce Rasmussen	Jim Reed Skip Schoenborn	Debbie Sleik
Wednesday, 7:00 P.M.	Digital Music	Jim Sleik	Debbie Sleik
<u>Week of 3/24</u>			
Sunday, 9:00 A.M.	Bruce Rasmussen & Choir	Dana Bey Bradley Linsmeyer	Maridol Bey
Thursday, 7:00 P.M.	Bruce Rasmussen	Skip Schoenborn	Maridol Bey
Friday, 1:00 P.M.	Bruce Rasmussen	Dana Bey	Maridol Bey

THIS WEEK AT OUR REDEEMER

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
Sunday (17)	9:00 A.M.	Divine Service
	10:30 A.M.	Education Hour
Monday (18)		
Tuesday (19)	5:30 P.M.	Choir Practice
Wednesday (20)	5:00 P.M.	Catechism Vespers
	6:00 P.M.	Lenten Supper (Congregational Potluck)
	7:00 P.M.	Divine Service
Thursday (21)	10:00 A.M.	Bible Study
Friday (22)		Pastor's Day Off
Saturday (23)		
Sunday (24)	9:00 A.M.	Divine Service
	10:30 A.M.	Education Hour

ATTENDANCE REPORT

<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>COMMUNION</u>
Sunday, 3/10, 9:00 A.M.	77	66
Wednesday, 3/13, 7:00 P.M.	31	26



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HOLY BAPTISM

BAPTISMAL HYMN

"All Who Believe and Are Baptized" LSB 601

Stand

BAPTISM OF ISAIAH AARON LINSMEYER

LSB 268

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

Psalm 43:3–5; antiphon: vv. 1–2a

- P** Vindicate me, O God,
C and defend my cause against an ungodly people,
P from the deceitful and unjust man deliver me!
C For you are the God in whom I take refuge.
P Send out your light and your truth; let them lead me;
C let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling!
P Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy,
C and I will praise you with the lyre, O God, my God.
P Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me?
C Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God.



C Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-nig, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

- P** Vindicate me, O God,
C and defend my cause against an ungodly people,
P from the deceitful and unjust man deliver me!
C For you are the God in whom I take refuge.

KYRIE

LSB 186

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

LSB 189

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 22:1-14

¹After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here am I.” ²He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.” ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you.” ⁶And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷And Isaac said to his father Abraham, “My father!” And he said, “Here am I, my son.” He said, “Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?” ⁸Abraham said, “God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So they went both of them together.

⁹When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here am I.” ¹²He said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.” ¹³And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called the name of that place, “The LORD will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.”

GRADUAL

Psalms 143:9a, 10a; 18:48a, c

P Deliver me from my enemies, O LORD!

C Teach me to do your will, for you are my God!

P [You] delivered me from my enemies;

C you rescued me from the man of violence.

EPISTLE

Hebrews 9:11-15

¹¹When Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) ¹²he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. ¹³For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, ¹⁴how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

¹⁵Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

Stand

TRACT

Psaln 129:1–4

P “Greatly have they afflicted me from my youth”—

C **let Israel now say—**

P “Greatly have they afflicted me from my youth,

C **yet they have not prevailed against me.**

P The plowers plowed upon my back;

C **they made long their furrows.”**

P The LORD is righteous;

C **he has cut the cords of the wicked.**

HOLY GOSPEL

John 8:42-59

⁴²Jesus said to them, “If God were your Father, you would love me, for I came from God and I am here. I came not of my own accord, but he sent me. ⁴³Why do you not understand what I say? It is because you cannot bear to hear my word. ⁴⁴You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father’s desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and has nothing to do with the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies. ⁴⁵But because I tell the truth, you do not believe me. ⁴⁶Which one of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me? ⁴⁷Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God.”

⁴⁸The Jews answered him, “Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?” ⁴⁹Jesus answered, “I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. ⁵⁰Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. ⁵¹Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death.” ⁵²The Jews said to him, “Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, ‘If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.’ ⁵³Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?” ⁵⁴Jesus answered, “If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, ‘He is our God.’ ⁵⁵But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. ⁵⁶Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad.” ⁵⁷So the Jews said to him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?” ⁵⁸Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.” ⁵⁹So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY

“My Song Is Love Unknown” LSB 430

SERMON

“Whoever Is of God Hears the Words of God” John 8:42-59

Stand

OFFERTORY

LSB 192

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OFFERING

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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PAX DOMINI	LSB 197
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Sit

DISTRIBUTION

Guests are asked to please read “A Word to Our Guests About Holy Communion” on page 2 of this week’s bulletin.

Those who are communing are encouraged to prepare themselves using “Preparing for the Sacrament of the Altar” on page 2 of the bulletin.

The Lord’s Supper is distributed at the altar rail. Each table is dismissed with the following blessing:

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 HYMNS

“Not All the Blood of Beasts” LSB 431
“O Living Bread from Heaven” LSB 642
“O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee” LSB 632

Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS	LSB 199
THANKSGIVING	LSB 200
SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS	LSB 201
BENEDICTION	LSB 202
HYMN TO DEPART	“Christ, the Life of All the Living” LSB 420

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