



## FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Sunday, 9 March A+D 2025 • 10:00 A.M.



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LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**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.

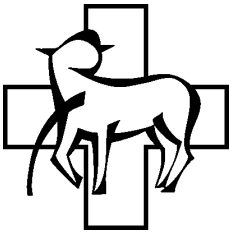
**A WORD TO OUR GUESTS ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION:** In the Sacrament of the Altar, our Lord Jesus Christ gives us His very Body and Blood to eat and drink. Receiving the Sacrament is not merely a matter between God and the person, but a “communion,” something done in “community.” It is a public confession 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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*Lutheran Service Book,*  
Divine Service, Setting Three, pg. 184

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## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

HYMN OF INVOCATION

*“Christ, Be My Leader” LSB 861*

*Stand*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*LSB 184*

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

*Psalm 91:9–13; antiphon: vv. 15–16*



When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in | trouble;\*  
I will rescue him and | honor him.

**With long life I will sat- | isfy him\*  
and show him my sal- | vation.**

Because you have made the LORD your | dwelling place—\*  
the Most High, who is my | refuge—

**no evil shall be allowed to be- | fall you,\*  
no plague come | near your tent.**

For he will command his angels con- | cerning you\*  
to guard you in | all your ways.

**On their hands they will | bear you up,\*  
lest you strike your foot a- | gainst a stone.**

You will tread on the lion and the | adder;\*  
the young lion and the serpent you will trample | underfoot.



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



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

When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in | trouble;\*  
I will rescue him and | honor him.

**With long life I will sat- | isfy him\***

**and show him my sal- | vation.**

**KYRIE**

*LSB 186*

*The Gloria in Excelsis is omitted in Lent in anticipation of Easter.*

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*LSB 189*

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.

*Sit*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Deuteronomy 26:1-11*

<sup>1</sup>“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, <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>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.’ <sup>4</sup>Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the LORD your God.

<sup>5</sup>“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. <sup>6</sup>And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. <sup>7</sup>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. <sup>8</sup>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. <sup>9</sup>And he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. <sup>10</sup>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. <sup>11</sup>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.”

**GRADUAL**

*Hebrews 12:2*



[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,\*  
the founder and perfecter | of our faith,

**who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the  
shame,\***

**and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.**

**EPISTLE**

*Romans 10:8b-13*

“The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup>For the

Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

*Stand*

**VERSE**

*Ephesians 6:11*

Put on the whole armor of God,\*  
that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

**HOLY GOSPEL**

*Luke 4:1-13*

<sup>1</sup>Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness <sup>2</sup>for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup>The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread.” <sup>4</sup>And Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone.’” <sup>5</sup>And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.” <sup>8</sup>And Jesus answered him, “It is written,

“You shall worship the Lord your God,  
and him only shall you serve.”

<sup>9</sup>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, <sup>10</sup>for it is written,

“He will command his angels concerning you,  
to guard you,”

<sup>11</sup>and

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

<sup>12</sup>And Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’” <sup>13</sup>And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

**APOSTLES’ CREED**

*LSB 192*

*Sit*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” LSB 656*

**SERMON**

*“The Word of God Counters the Temptations of the Devil” Luke 4:1-13*

*Stand*

**OFFERTORY**

*LSB 192*

*Sit*

**OFFERING**

*Stand*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*Each petition ends with:*

- P** Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE	LSB 194
SANCTUS	LSB 195
LORD'S PRAYER	LSB 196
THE WORDS OF OUR LORD	LSB 197
PAX DOMINI	LSB 197
AGNUS DEI	LSB 198

*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

*"Chief of Sinners Though I Be" LSB 611*

*"O Christ, You Walked the Road" LSB 424*

*"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" LSB 655*

*Stand*

NUNC DIMITTIS	LSB 199
THANKSGIVING	LSB 200
SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS	LSB 201
BENEDICTION	LSB 202
HYMN TO DEPART	<i>"Sent Forth by God's Blessing" LSB 643</i>

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## NEWS & NOTES

**LENTEN SUPPERS & SERVICES CONTINUE THIS WEDNESDAY.** Join us at 6:00 P.M. for each of the Wednesdays in Lent for a supper hosted by the various groups of our congregation. Our Midweek Lenten Divine Services will follow at 7:00 P.M. On March 12<sup>th</sup>, the Church Council will host supper and the Midweek Divine Service will follow.

**OUR REDEEMER WILL ONCE AGAIN TAKE PART IN THE CITY-WIDE RUMMAGE SALE!** The Kingsford City-Wide Rummage Sale is on Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. Be saving your items and follow the church bulletin for when we will receive donations

**WE NEED YOUR REFUNDABLE BOTTLES/CANS AND YOUR RECEIPTS!** Our Redeemer Youth is collecting refundable bottles and cans for upcoming youth events. Also, we are collecting Super One and Tadych's Marketplace receipts. White buckets for collecting the receipts are located just inside the Fellowship Hall entrance. For every receipt, 1% of every \$1 goes towards Our Redeemer Youth. Thank you for your support!

**YOUTH FUNDRAISING ENVELOPES** - Our simplest fundraiser yet, this month the Youth Group will have "giving" envelopes for supporting Youth events. Want to give \$5? Look for the display of Youth Envelopes at the church entrance, take the "\$5" envelope, insert \$5 (checks also accepted) and drop off the envelope in the drop box by the display. There are many envelopes amounts to choose from. Thank you for your support!

**YOUTH GAME NIGHT** – March 16<sup>th</sup> 3:00-5:00 P.M., Youth are invited to join the fun as we play Capture the Flag, Nerf style. Join us for a lesson, games and food here at Our Redeemer Church. See you then!

**LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR – Lent I:** Abortion and assisted suicide enact idolatry by assessing life apart from the Word of the Lord (Luke 4:4, 8). Saving faith, on the other hand, receives both child and trials as riches from the loving hand of God. He who makes hills give milk and honey will no doubt bring forth even better blessings from the humblest human life!

**“BROTHERS AND SISTERS, IN CHRIST YOU ARE GOD’S MASTERPIECE.** You were created for a purpose. You are the hands and feet of Christ demonstrating His love in a world that desperately needs it. Live out that purpose in the strength that comes from Him and wait joyfully for the day where we get to see His finished product.” *Rev. Adam Osier, Dean, Free Lutheran Bible College, Plymouth, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*

**STEWARDSHIP NOTES: Luke 4:8** – **“And Jesus answered him, ‘It is written ...’”** Isn’t it interesting that Jesus does not defeat Satan with His power as God, but rather by His perfect obedience in His perfect humanity? Jesus defeats Satan not by miracles, but by quoting the Scriptures and living according to it. This should cause us great joy for two reasons. First, because we see Jesus win the victory for us. Second, because here Jesus shows us how to stand in that victory: on the Word of God alone. Let us build our lives on the sure rock of this Word!

## SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

	<u>MUSIC</u>	<u>ELDER</u>	<u>ALTAR GUILD</u>	<u>FELLOWSHIP</u>
<i>Week of 3/9</i>				
Sun., 10:00 A.M.	Bruce Rasmussen & Choir	Jim Sleik	Cindy Koller	Emily & Laura Mortl
Weds., 7:00 P.M.	Dustin Sotka	Rob Kuehl	Cindy Koller	Lenten Supper
<i>Week of 3/16</i>				
Sun., 10:00 A.M.	Bruce Rasmussen	Will Patton	Sue Rochon	Youth Group
Weds., 7:00 P.M.	Bruce Rasmussen	Eric Rhode	Sue Rochon	Lenten Supper

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
Sunday (9)	8:45 A.M.	Education Hour
	10:00 A.M.	Divine Service
	11:30 A.M.	Coffee & Fellowship
Monday (10)		
Tuesday (11)		
Wednesday (12)	5:30 P.M.	Choir Practice
	6:00 P.M.	Lenten Supper (Hosted by Church Council)
	7:00 P.M.	Midweek Divine Service
Thursday (13)	9:30 A.M.	Bible Study
Friday (14)		<i>Pastor's Day Off</i>
Saturday (15)		
Sunday (16)	8:45 A.M.	Education Hour
	10:00 A.M.	Divine Service
	11:30 A.M.	Coffee & Fellowship

## FEBRUARY FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>FEBRUARY</u>	<u>YEAR-TO-DATE</u>
Receipts:	\$15,497.32	\$31,763.15
Expenses:	\$23,288.24	\$41,750.89
<b>Difference:</b>	<b>-\$7,790.92</b>	<b>-\$9,987.74</b>

## ATTENDANCE REPORT

<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>COMMUNION</u>
Sun., March 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 10:00 A.M.	87	N/A
Weds., March 5 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 P.M.	<i>Service Rescheduled for 3/6</i>	