

## MIDWEEK OF LENT 1

Wednesday, 12 March A+D 2025 • 7:00 P.M.



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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.

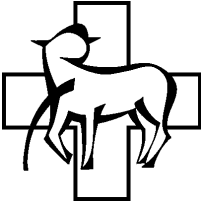
**A WORD TO OUR GUESTS ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION:** In the Sacrament of the Altar, our Lord Jesus Christ gives us His very Body and Blood to eat and drink. Receiving the Sacrament is not merely a matter between God and the person, but a "communion," something done in "community." It is a public confession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

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## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Stand*

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*LSB 184*

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

**ENTRANCE HYMN**

*“O Lord, We Praise Thee” LSB 617*

**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**

*Exodus 12:1-14*

<sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, <sup>2</sup>“This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers’ houses, a lamb for a household. <sup>4</sup>And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. <sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, <sup>6</sup>and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight.

<sup>7</sup>“Then they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. <sup>10</sup>And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. <sup>11</sup>In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD’s Passover. <sup>12</sup>For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of

Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. <sup>13</sup>The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt.

<sup>14</sup>“This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast.”

*Stand*

*The ALLELUIA is omitted in Lent in anticipation of Easter.*

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

*Luke 22:1-38*

<sup>1</sup>Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called the Passover. <sup>2</sup>And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to put him to death, for they feared the people.

<sup>3</sup>Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was of the number of the twelve. <sup>4</sup>He went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers how he might betray him to them. <sup>5</sup>And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. <sup>6</sup>So he consented and sought an opportunity to betray him to them in the absence of a crowd.

<sup>7</sup>Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. <sup>8</sup>So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, “Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it.” <sup>9</sup>They said to him, “Where will you have us prepare it?” <sup>10</sup>He said to them, “Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters <sup>11</sup>and tell the master of the house, ‘The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?’ <sup>12</sup>And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there.” <sup>13</sup>And they went and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

<sup>14</sup>And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. <sup>15</sup>And he said to them, “I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. <sup>16</sup>For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.” <sup>17</sup>And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, “Take this, and divide it among yourselves. <sup>18</sup>For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.” <sup>19</sup>And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” <sup>20</sup>And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. <sup>21</sup>But behold, the hand of him who betrays me is with me on the table. <sup>22</sup>For the Son of Man goes as it has been determined, but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed!” <sup>23</sup>And they began to question one another, which of them it could be who was going to do this.

<sup>24</sup>A dispute also arose among them, as to which of them was to be regarded as the greatest. <sup>25</sup>And he said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors. <sup>26</sup>But not so with you. Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves. <sup>27</sup>For who is the greater, one who reclines at table or one who serves? Is it not the one who reclines at table? But I am among you as the one who serves.

<sup>28</sup>“You are those who have stayed with me in my trials, <sup>29</sup>and I assign to you, as my Father assigned to me, a kingdom, <sup>30</sup>that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

<sup>31</sup>“Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, <sup>32</sup>but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned

again, strengthen your brothers.”<sup>33</sup>Peter said to him, “Lord, I am ready to go with you both to prison and to death.”<sup>34</sup>Jesus said, “I tell you, Peter, the rooster will not crow this day, until you deny three times that you know me.”

<sup>35</sup>And he said to them, “When I sent you out with no moneybag or knapsack or sandals, did you lack anything?” They said, “Nothing.”<sup>36</sup>He said to them, “But now let the one who has a moneybag take it, and likewise a knapsack. And let the one who has no sword sell his cloak and buy one.”<sup>37</sup>For I tell you that this Scripture must be fulfilled in me: ‘And he was numbered with the transgressors.’ For what is written about me has its fulfillment.”<sup>38</sup>And they said, “Look, Lord, here are two swords.” And he said to them, “It is enough.”

**APOSTLES’ CREED**

*LSB 192*

*Sit*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord” LSB 637*

**SERMON**

*Luke 22:1-38*

*Stand*

**OFFERTORY**

*LSB 192*

*Sit*

**OFFERING**

*Stand*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**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  $\text{✠}$  in peace.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

**NUNC DIMITTIS** *LSB 199*

**THANKSGIVING** *LSB 200*

**SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS** *LSB 201*

**BENEDICTION** *LSB 202*

**HYMN TO DEPART** *“Now the Light Has Gone Away” LSB 887*

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## NEWS & NOTES – 9 MARCH A+D 2025

**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
Thurs., March 6 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 P.M.	61	50