

MIDWEEK OF LENT 2

Wednesday, 19 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.

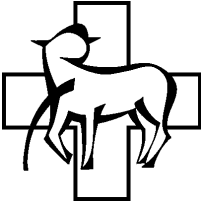
A WORD TO OUR GUESTS ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION: In the Sacrament of the Altar, our Lord Jesus Christ gives us His very Body and Blood to eat and drink. Receiving the Sacrament is not merely a matter between God and the person, but a “communion,” something done in “community.” It is a public confession of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

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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LSB 184

SERVICE OF THE WORD

ENTRANCE HYMN

“Go to Dark Gethsemane” LSB 436

KYRIE

LSB 186

The GLORIA IN EXCELSIS is omitted in Lent in anticipation of Easter.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

LSB 189

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the 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 37:18-28

¹⁸[Joseph’s brothers] saw him from afar, and before he came near to them they conspired against him to kill him. ¹⁹They said to one another, “Here comes this dreamer. ²⁰Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits. Then we will say that a fierce animal has devoured him, and we will see what will become of his dreams.” ²¹But when Reuben heard it, he rescued him out of their hands, saying, “Let us not take his life.” ²²And Reuben said to them, “Shed no blood; cast him into this pit here in the wilderness, but do not lay a hand on him”—that he might rescue him out of their hand to restore him to his father. ²³So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the robe of many colors that he wore. ²⁴And they took him and cast him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

²⁵Then they sat down to eat. And looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels bearing gum, balm, and myrrh, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. ²⁶Then Judah said to his brothers, “What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? ²⁷Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be upon him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.” And his brothers listened to him. ²⁸Then Midianite traders passed by. And they drew Joseph up and lifted him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty shekels of silver. They took Joseph to Egypt.

The ALLELUIA is omitted in Lent in anticipation of Easter.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 22:39-71

³⁹And he came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed him. ⁴⁰And when he came to the place, he said to them, "Pray that you may not enter into temptation." ⁴¹And he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, and knelt down and prayed, ⁴²saying, "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done." ⁴³And there appeared to him an angel from heaven, strengthening him. ⁴⁴And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly; and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground. ⁴⁵And when he rose from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping for sorrow, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Rise and pray that you may not enter into temptation."

⁴⁷While he was still speaking, there came a crowd, and the man called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He drew near to Jesus to kiss him, ⁴⁸but Jesus said to him, "Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?" ⁴⁹And when those who were around him saw what would follow, they said, "Lord, shall we strike with the sword?" ⁵⁰And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. ⁵¹But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him. ⁵²Then Jesus said to the chief priests and officers of the temple and elders, who had come out against him, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs?" ⁵³When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness."

⁵⁴Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house, and Peter was following at a distance. ⁵⁵And when they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat down among them. ⁵⁶Then a servant girl, seeing him as he sat in the light and looking closely at him, said, "This man also was with him." ⁵⁷But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him." ⁵⁸And a little later someone else saw him and said, "You also are one of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not." ⁵⁹And after an interval of about an hour still another insisted, saying, "Certainly this man also was with him, for he too is a Galilean." ⁶⁰But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about." And immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. ⁶¹And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the saying of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the rooster crows today, you will deny me three times." ⁶²And he went out and wept bitterly.

⁶³Now the men who were holding Jesus in custody were mocking him as they beat him. ⁶⁴They also blindfolded him and kept asking him, "Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?" ⁶⁵And they said many other things against him, blaspheming him.

⁶⁶When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people gathered together, both chief priests and scribes. And they led him away to their council, and they said, ⁶⁷"If you are the Christ, tell us." But he said to them, "If I tell you, you will not believe, ⁶⁸and if I ask you, you will not answer. ⁶⁹But from now on the Son of Man shall be seated at the right hand of the power of God." ⁷⁰So they all said, "Are you the Son of God, then?" And he said to them, "You say that I am." ⁷¹Then they said, "What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips."

APOSTLES' CREED

LSB 192

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY

“What Wondrous Love Is This” LSB 543

SERMON

*The Passion of Our Lord According to St. Luke: II
Luke 22:39-71*

Stand

OFFERTORY

LSB 192

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OFFERING

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

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LORD’S PRAYER

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THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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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.

Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS

LSB 199

THANKSGIVING

LSB 200

SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

LSB 201

BENEDICTION

LSB 202

HYMN TO DEPART

“Glory Be to Jesus” LSB 433

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NEWS & NOTES – 16 MARCH A+D 2025

YOUTH GAME NIGHT: March 16th from 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. See you then!

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 12th, the Confirmation Class 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 7th. Be saving your items and follow the church bulletin for when we will receive donations

JR. HIGH GATHERING INFORMATION MEETING: March 30th in the Fellowship Hall after the service. Students going into grades 6-9 next school year are encouraged to attend. Parents come too! The Gathering, Aug 12-14, will take place in Frankenmuth, MI. Don't miss out on this awesome event. See you then.

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 envelope amounts to choose from. Thank you for your support!

ACCORDING TO MICHIGAN LAW, the carrying of a concealed weapon is prohibited in “any property or facility owned or operated by a church ... or other place of worship, *unless the presiding official or officials allow concealed weapons.*” If you are the holder of a current concealed pistol license and wish to carry your concealed weapon inside Our Redeemer, you are required by law to obtain the **written permission** of the pastor of the congregation.

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR – Lent II: The heart of Christianity is proclaiming Gospel promises courageously. Jeremiah (Jeremiah 26:8) follows the lead of Jesus Himself (Luke 13:31-32) in speaking of God’s truth and Christ’s love even when unpopular. They believe their lives—and everyone else’s—belong in the Heavenly Father’s hands above all. Gospel-motivated voices For Life, take note!

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

	<u>MUSIC</u>	<u>ELDER</u>	<u>ALTAR GUILD</u>	<u>FELLOWSHIP</u>
<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
<i>Week of 3/23</i>				
Sun., 10:00 A.M.	Bruce Rasmussen & Choir	Rob Kuehl	Debbie Sleik	Anna Briseno-Smith
Weds., 7:00 P.M.	Dustin Sotka	Eric Rhode	Debbie Sleik	Lenten Supper

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
Sunday (16)	8:45 A.M.	Education Hour
	10:00 A.M.	Divine Service
	11:30 A.M.	Coffee & Fellowship
	11:30 A.M.	Church Council
Monday (17)		
Tuesday (18)		
Wednesday (19)	5:30 P.M.	Choir Practice
	6:00 P.M.	Lenten Supper (Hosted by Confirmation Class)
	7:00 P.M.	Midweek Divine Service
Thursday (20)	10:00 A.M.	Bible Study
Friday (21)		<i>Pastor's Day Off</i>
Saturday (22)		
Sunday (23)	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
Difference:	-\$7,790.92	-\$9,987.74

ATTENDANCE REPORT

<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>COMMUNION</u>
Sun., March 9 th , 10:00 A.M.	73	63
Weds., March 12 th , 7:00 P.M.	55	44