# Lent 1 February 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015



Welcome in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ! We are happy to have you with us. We pray that your worship will be enriched and blessed by the Word of God. Restrooms are located in the hallway off the west side of the sanctuary. We also ask that you sign one of our Friendship Registers which are located in each of the pews. Please come and worship with us again!

# **Our Worship Service**

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### WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN ...... "Lord Jesus Christ, You Set Us Free" Christian Worship #123 Lord Je - sus Christ, you set us free – Ac - cept our thanks e -2 By vir - tue of the wounds you bore, True God and Man, our 3 De - fend us. Lord, from sin and shame; Help us by your al -4 For thus the cer - tain - tv we gain That you will al-ways ter - nal - ly! For giv - en through your pre - cious blood, hope re - store. Give cour - age when we yield our breath: might - y name То bear our cross - es tient pa - ly, true re - main And not for - sake us in our strife God. on ciled to We now are rec De liv from hell and death. er us Con soled bv vour ag great 0 ny.

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# THE INVOCATION

- **P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.

### THE CONFESSION OF SINS

- **P:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- **P:** God, our heavenly Father has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

**P:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



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Text: Christoph Fischer, 1520–97; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt. Tune: WIR DANKEN DIR, HERR JESU CHRIST (LM) Nikolaus Herman, c, 1480–1561



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P:** Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, you never despise what you have made and always forgive those who turn to you. Create in us such new and contrite hearts that we may truly repent of our sins and obtain your full and gracious pardon; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





#### THE FIRST LESSON......Isaiah 59:12-20

Isaiah confesses the sins of his people. God is displeased that there is no justice, so he works salvation for his people himself. "The Redeemer will come to Zion, to those in Jacob who repent of their sins."

<sup>12</sup>For our offenses are many in your sight ,and our sins testify against us. Our offenses are ever with us and we acknowledge our iniquities: <sup>13</sup>rebellion and treachery against the Lord, turning our backs on our God, fomenting oppression and revolt, uttering lies our hearts have conceived. <sup>14</sup>So justice is driven back, and righteousness stands at a distance; truth has stumbled in the streets, honesty cannot enter.<sup>15</sup>Truth is nowhere to be found, and whoever shuns evil becomes a prey. The Lord looked and was displeased that there was no justice.

<sup>16</sup>He saw that there was no one, he was appalled that there was no one to intervene; so his own arm worked salvation for him, and his own righteousness sustained him. <sup>17</sup>He put on righteousness as his breast plate, and the helmet of salvation on his head; he put on the garments of vengeance and wrapped himself in zeal as in a cloak. <sup>18</sup>According to what they have done, so will he repay wrath to his enemies and retribution to his foes; he will repay the islands their due. <sup>19</sup>From the west, men will fear the name of the Lord, and from the rising of the sun, they will revere his glory. For he will come like a pent-up flood that the breath of the Lord drives along.<sup>20</sup>"The Redeemer will come to Zion, to those in Jacob who repent of their sins," declares the Lord.

#### THE PSALM OF THE DAY.....Psalm 51a







Have mercy on me, O God,\* according to your unfailing love. Wash away all my iniquity,\* and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions,\* and my sin is always before me.

#### Refrain

Against you, you only, have I sinned\* and done what is evil in your sight. Surely I was sinful at birth,\* sinful from the time my mother conceived me. Hide your face from my sins,\* and blot out all my iniquity. Restore to me the joy of your salvation,\* and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son\* and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning,\* is now, and will be forever. Amen.



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The simple, wonderful truth of the gospel-Christ took our sin on himself and gave us his righteousness in exchange-is clearly set before us.

<sup>20</sup>We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. <sup>6</sup>As God's fellow workers we urge you not to receive God's grace in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says, "In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you." I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation.

#### VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. (Joel 2:13 cf. RSV)

Christian Worship #451

Soloist sings verse 1; Congregation joins verses 2 & 3



#### THE GOSPEL LESSON .....Luke 18:9-14

Jesus tells what kind of an individual stands justified in the eyes of God. It is not the person who trusts in his own righteousness and good works; rather, it is the one who humbly trusts in God's mercy for sinners who goes home justified before God.

<sup>9</sup>To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everybody else. Jesus told this parable: <sup>10</sup>"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. <sup>11</sup>The Pharisee stood up and prayed about himself: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men — robbers, evildoers, adulterers — or even like this tax collector. <sup>12</sup>I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.' <sup>13</sup>"But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.'<sup>14</sup>"I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."



Text: Robert Grant, 1779-1838, abr., alt.

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<sup>31</sup>To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. <sup>32</sup>Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." <sup>33</sup>They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever, <sup>36</sup>So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

#### "I Tell You the Truth...Anvone Who Sins is a Slave to Sin"

Please Stand

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come 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 the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be Seated

#### THE OFFERING

(We invite you to sign our Friendship Registers in each pew during the offering.)

THE OFFERING PRAYER

Please Stand

#### THE PRAYERS

#### 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.

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Text: Erdmann Neumeister, 1671-1756, abr.; tr. composite.

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**P:** O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### THE BENEDICTION

**P:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



#### Please be Seated



Hymn continues on next page

Jesus sinners does receive.



6 Jesus, be worshiped endlessly! Your boundless mercy has for me, For me and all your hands have made, An everlasting ransom paid.

Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–60, abr.; tr. John B. Wesley, 1703–91, alt. Tune: St. Crispin (LM) George J. Elvey, 1816–93.

# **Worship Participants**

Liturgist and Preacher	Pastor Brian Adams
Organist	
Soloist	Mr. Dick Miller
Harmonica	Mr. John Mertz

# Announcements

- **SUNDAY SERMON SERIES FOR LENT:** We live in a world where the Devil is speaking all around us. That is why it is so important for us to listen to the voice of the One (Jesus) who is the Truth. Over the next weeks, we'll walk with Jesus in his Word. As we listen, we'll hear him repeatedly assure, *"I tell you the Truth..."* 
  - February 22 & 23 "I tell you the truth.. . Anyone who sins is a slave to sin" (John 8:31-36)

As Christians, what do we want to do? We certainly don't want to sin. But by nature, we are slaves to sin. As slaves to sin, we deserve to die. As slaves to sin, we deserve hell. Yet, Jesus has set us free. Sin is no longer our master. We are free to live with Jesus forever.

March 1 & 2 – "I tell you the truth...Faith can move mountains" (Matthew 21:18-22)

We often fail to utilize prayer in our lives and trust in its power. That all changes when we realize that the power of prayer rests on the One who invites us to pray. When we realize how powerful he is, stronger than nature and stronger than death, God willing we will tap into the power of prayer regularly. May we trust his promise... I tell you the truth, faith can move mountains.

- March 8 & 9 "I tell you the truth... My words will never pass away" (Luke 21:25-36) Earlier in the week, Jesus had entered Jerusalem with crowds and palm branches. As Jesus sits on the Mount of Olives overlooking the temple area, he speaks again to his disciples of the coming end of Jerusalem and of the world. They can trust his words because they will never pass away.
- March 15 & 16 "I tell you the truth...Fruits of Faith will be remembered" (Mark 14:1-9) While Scripture doesn't tell us the thought that went into the offering, we can assume that Mary didn't simply coincidentally bring this expensive perfume to the party. There was preparation that behind her gift. So, too, with our offerings or other fruits of faith, we will have preparation time during which we consider the blessings we have received from the Lord.
- March 22 & 23 "I tell you the truth.... If one dies, it produces life for many" (John 12:23-27) Jesus wants to bring life to us and wants to share life with us. In order for that to happen, sin needed to be paid for. The payment for that sin was death. Through Jesus' death, he brings life for many. As we draw closer to Holy Week, Jesus wants us to see that his death means our life, and our new life means death to our old one. I tell you the truth. Amen.
- "GIVING UP SOMETHING FOR LENT:" During the season of Lent, we often will hear people saying that they are giving up something for Lent. Going without something can be helpful when it reminds us on a daily basis that the Lord Jesus gave up his life so that we might be freed from the curse of our sins. In the Christian Church, the season of Lent runs for 40 days. It is a great time to give up some of our time to read God's Word. Therefore, as was mentioned on Ash Wednesday, we would like to encourage everyone to read both the book of Luke and the book of Romans. Luke has 24 chapters and Romans have 16 chapters. If we read one chapter per day, we will be reminded as to why and how Jesus came (Luke) and what his coming means for our lives (Romans). We also will have an insert in the bulletins over the next several weeks that will have questions for each of the chapters for that week. As a way to remind us of what Jesus gave up for us, there are some of us men who are going to give up shaving and cutting our hair for the season of Lent. (We invite others to join us.) Then on Easter Sunday, it will be cut to remind us of the new life that Jesus brings to us as we celebrate his Resurrection from the grave.
- **SOCIAL STUDIES FAIR:** This past week, the students at St. Paul have had a Social Studies fair. If you wish to see their displays, they will remain setup through Sunday (today).
- **COLLEGE STUDENTS ADDRESSES:** Many pastors across the country are involved in WELS' ministry to college students. For a complete listing of WELS churches, including service times and directions, use the WELS Locator at <u>www.wels.net</u>. Did you know that as

- a college student, they can get both "Forward in Christ" magazine and "Meditations," a book of daily devotions, mailed to them for free. Therefore, we ask that you would please forward to the church/school office the following information: The College that they attend, their address and the year that they expect to graduation. You can email the information to our office at: office@stpaulsfranklin.org.
- **MIDWEEK LENT SERVICES:** Our theme for this years Midweek Lent services is: "*Jesus Showed Us the Full Extent of His Love.*" We will be looking at various sections of the Gospel of John. We will be rotating with the pastors from St. Lucas and St. Paul's, Cudahy. Our weekly themes are:
  - Feb. 18 "In His Treatment of the Twelve in the Garden" John 18:1-8 (Pastor Wayne Shevey)
  - Feb. 25 "In His Treatment of the High Priest & Governor John 18:19-24, 33-38 (Pastor Dan Marshall)
  - March 4 "In His Treatment of the Twelve" John 13:1-17 (Pastor Bob Gurgel)
  - March 11 "In His Treatment of Peter" John 13:31-38 (Pastor Brian Adams)
  - March 18 "In His Treatment of Judas" John 13:18-30) (Pastor Brian Adams)
  - March 25 "In His Treatment of the Troubled" (Pastor Unnasch)
  - Our services are on Wednesdays at 3:30pm & 6:30pm. Please come and join us as we focus on the passion of our Lord.
- **SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR:** Please consider visiting St. Paul's Book Fair after services today, in the school hallway. Today is the last day for the book fair.
- **ST. PAUL'S ADULT CHOIR:** St. Paul's Adult Choir is looking for new members. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays after the 6:30 pm Lenten service. No experience is necessary, just a positive attitude!
- **THE WLHS DINNER AUCTION:** Everyone is invited to Wisconsin Lutheran High School for the 19<sup>th</sup> annual dinner auction, "Building on the Rock" on Saturday, March 28, at 5:00 p.m. The WLHS gym will be transformed into an unbelievable dinner venue and the evening will include a cash bar, a silent and verbal auction, raffles and valet parking. Reservations can be made at <u>www.wlhs.org/auction</u> until March 6. For auction information, sponsorship opportunities, or to donate an auction item contact Ann Nischke at <u>414-453-4567</u>, ext. 2012 or <u>ann.nischke@wlhs.org</u>.
- **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** The WLHS Dinner Auction is just around the corner on Saturday, March 28, and it's the help of many volunteers that make this night a success. Volunteers are still needed for decor planning, silent auction, valet parking, volunteer coordination, and many other tasks. Please consider gathering a group of friends and helping us out! Contact Nicki Parato at <u>nicki.parato@wlhs.org</u> or <u>414-453-4567 ext. 2016</u> for more information or to sign up.

- GET READY TO MAKE A SPLASH: Wisconsin Lutheran High School is inviting 4th and 6th grade students, on separate nights from 5:30-7:30 pm, to a fun evening of waterslides and swimming at Country Springs Waterpark Hotel in Pewaukee. There is no cost, however at least one parent must attend with their child. The children will swim and the parents will learn more about WLHS. 4th grade students are invited on Monday, March 2, and must RSVP by Monday, February 23. 6th grade students are invited on Monday, March 9, and must RSVP by Monday, March 2. To RSVP, e-mail mark.ricke@wlhs.org or call 414-453-4567 ex.2024.
- MEN'S CONFERENCE: "Ironmen of God Wisconsin" Last year over 180 men from all over southern Wisconsin gathered to hear God's Word aimed right at them! Hear Pastors Wayne Shevey, Jason Ewart, Clark Schultz, and Jim Buske remind us of our God-given roles as "Ironmen of God." Our theme this year: "His Sacrifice... Our Response." (Galatians 2:20) Enjoy a delicious catered lunch and fellowship with your brothers in Christ! Ironmen of God is being held at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Ixonia, WI from 9 am to 2 pm on March 21, 2015. Cost is \$25. Space is limited! Register today at <u>www.ironmenofgodwi.org</u>
- Kids Carnival at Wisconsin Lutheran High School--Step right up and try your luck at over 45 fun games! Once again, the WLHS student body is hosting the Kids Carnival today Sunday, February 22 from 1:00-3:30. Children age 3 through fourth grade are invited to play games, meet live animals and participate in other fun activities. Each \$3 admission receives 20 play tokens. Cotton candy and concessions will be available for purchase. Parents and grandparents are admitted free of charge and encouraged to bring their cameras for some great photo opportunities.
- WLHS Musical Shrek the Musical—"Once upon a time, there was a little ogre named Shrek . ..." And thus begins the tale of an unlikely hero who finds himself on a life-changing journey alongside a wisecracking Donkey and a feisty princess who resists her rescue. Throw in a short tempered bad guy, a cookie with an attitude, and over a dozen other fairy tale misfits, and you've got the kind of mess that calls for a real hero—Shrek! Performances will be held on Friday, March 6, at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, March 7 at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, March 8, at 1:30 p.m. in the WLHS auditorium. Reserved seat tickets are available at the WLHS reception desk, or by printing out the on-line ticket order form at <u>www.wlhs.org</u>.

Before the Friday, March 6, performance, you can enjoy the Choir Associates Spaghetti Dinner served in the cafeteria from 4:30-7:00 p.m. Wisco Kids and Inspiration will perform during the dinner. Tickets will be sold at the door, adults \$8 and children \$6.

# Volunteers

#### GREETERS THIS WEEK (2/22 & 2/23)

Dave & Marlene Horn
Ron & Jaime Petricek; Austin, Arthur & Aaron
Donna LaBlanc

#### **GREETERS FOR WEDNESDAY LENT SERVICES (2/25)**

3:30 PM- 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students 6:30 PM-

#### GREETERS NEXT WEEK (3/1 & 3/2)

8:00 AM-	Jeff & Chris Romeis; Nolan
10:30 AM-	Richard & Betty Patin
6:30 PM-	Richard & Kathy Hinz

#### **USHERS FOR FEBRUARY:**

**8:00 AM TEAM #2-**Bob Goelz, Todd Flunker, Scott Sievert, Tony Tripoli, Steve Mess **10:30 AM TEAM #6-**Andy Goede, Reed Goede, Nolan Romeis, Cooper Goede, Zach Matthews

6:30 PM TEAM #9-Curt Stellwagen, Dave Long, Max Grueneberg

### **USHERS FOR WEDNESDAY LENT SERVICES:**

**3:30 PM-7**<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students **6:30 PM-TEAM #6-**Andrew Goede, Reed Goede, Nolan Romeis, Cooper Goede, Zach Matthews

#### **USHERS FOR MARCH:**

8:00 AM TEAM #3-Donn Johnson, John Migacz, Frank Krajewski 10:30 AM TEAM #7-Dave Brightsman, Kyle Brightsman, Brandon Wirtz, Austin Wirtz, Ian Wirtz, Randy Raduenz

#### **ALTAR GUILD:**

**February 18-March 3 Team #1-**Sherry Kosovich, Gale Bartow, Beverly Garves **March 4-17-Team #2-** Jane Kopelein, Karen Hille, Kelly Cannistra

# The Weekly Schedule

#### Sunday, February 22

Worship Service	8:00 AM
Adult Bible/Sunday School	9:15 AM
Worship Service	

Monday, February 23 Worship Service	6:30 PM
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Tuesday, February 24	
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Wednesday, February 25	
Wednesday Lent Service	
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Senior Choir Rehearsal	
Thursday, February 26	
Adult Hand Bells	6:30 PM
Friday, February 27	
School Devotion	8:30 AM
Sunday, March 1	
Worship Service with Communion	8:30 AM
Adult Bible/Sunday School	9:15 AM
Worship Service	

# **Statistics – Last Week**

Worship Attendance: 8:00 AM –105; Communed 88 10:30 AM –166, Communed 91; 6:30 PM –42, Communed 34; Total Attendance – 313; Total Communed 213; Bible Study 24; Sunday School 10; Ash Wednesday: 3:30 PM-100; 6:30 PM-61; Total Attendance-161; Total Communed-50