



**WELCOME TO
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL**

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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

February 25, 2018 – 10:45 a.m.

Worship with Holy Communion

***St. John's Mission: To help one more person get to Heaven
by pointing them to Jesus Christ.***

Prelude “Wondrous Love”

arr. David N. Johnson

Welcome & Sharing of the Peace We take a moment to greet one another, as brothers and sisters in Christ (often with the words “God’s peace be with you”). We enjoy this part of our worship; however, you are free to participate, or not, in any manner with which you are comfortable. *(Please Remain Standing)*

If at any point you need to or prefer to sit, please feel free to do so

(Please Rise)

Processional Hymn: #700 “Love Divine All Loves Exceling”

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✕ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

(Please be seated)

First Lesson: Psalm 32

Blessed *is he* whose transgression *is* forgiven,
Whose sin *is* covered.

² Blessed *is* the man to whom the LORD does not impute iniquity,
And in whose spirit *there is* no deceit.

³ When I kept silent, my bones grew old
Through my groaning all the day long.

⁴ For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me;
My vitality was turned into the drought of summer.

⁵ I acknowledged my sin to You,
And my iniquity I have not hidden.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

⁶ For this cause everyone who is godly shall pray to You
In a time when You may be found;
Surely in a flood of great waters
They shall not come near him.

⁷ You *are* my hiding place;
You shall preserve me from trouble;
You shall surround me with songs of deliverance.

⁸ I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;
I will guide you with My eye.

⁹ Do not be like the horse *or* like the mule,
Which have no understanding,
Which must be harnessed with bit and bridle,
Else they will not come near you.

¹⁰ Many sorrows *shall be* to the wicked;
But he who trusts in the LORD, mercy shall surround him.

¹¹ Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, you righteous;
And shout for joy, all *you* upright in heart!

L: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:18-21

¹⁸ For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written:

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent."^[a]

²⁰ Where *is* the wise? Where *is* the scribe? Where *is* the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? ²¹ For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Hymn of Response #702 “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

(Please Stand)

Holy Gospel Matthew 26:48-56

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 26th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴⁸ Now His betrayer had given them a sign, saying, “Whomever I kiss, He is the One; seize Him.” ⁴⁹ Immediately he went up to Jesus and said, “Greetings, Rabbi!” and kissed Him.

⁵⁰ But Jesus said to him, “Friend, why have you come?”

Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and took Him. ⁵¹ And suddenly, one of those *who were* with Jesus stretched out *his* hand and drew his sword, struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear.

⁵² But Jesus said to him, “Put your sword in its place, for all who take the sword will perish^[a] by the sword. ⁵³ Or do you think that I cannot now pray to My Father, and He will provide Me with more than twelve legions of angels? ⁵⁴ How then could the Scriptures be fulfilled, that it must happen thus?”

⁵⁵ In that hour Jesus said to the multitudes, “Have you come out, as against a robber, with swords and clubs to take Me? I sat daily with you, teaching in the temple, and you did not seize Me. ⁵⁶ But all this was done that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled.”

Then all the disciples forsook Him and fled.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

(Be Seated)

Children’s Message

Hymn of the Day: #856 “O Christ Who Called the Twelve”

Sermon: “Ten Who Ran”

(Please Rise)

Apostles' Creed

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

**And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence 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 T everlasting. Amen.**

Offering

Please take this time to sign the Pew Pads in your row and pass them down. We thank God for our visitors and guests. Please share your e-mail with us so that you can receive a weekly note of activities/announcements. Thank you for worshipping with us!

Offertory Anthem “Seek to Serve” arr. Lloyd Pfautsch
based on the Kyrie from Mass IX Cum Jublio, 12th century

(Please Stand)

Offertory Hymn #805 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Prayers

A Litany for Lent (Congregation – Bold)

God the Father in heaven, **have mercy.**

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, **have mercy.**

God the Holy Spirit, **have mercy.**

Be gracious to us. **Spare us, good Lord.**

Be gracious to us. **Help us, good Lord.**

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your holy nativity; by your baptism, fasting, and temptations; by your agony and bloody sweat; by your cross and Passion; by your precious death and burial; by your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter: **Help us, good Lord.**

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of judgment: **Help us, good Lord.**

We poor sinners implore you **to hear us, O Lord.**

For the eternal plan for the redemption of the world; for the atonement for all sin through the shame of the cross; and for the blessed Gospel that brings forgiveness and peace to all nations; **We thank you, O Lord.**

From our evil deeds which indeed deserve punishment; from fleshly desires which hunger and thirst after unrighteousness; and from stubbornness of heart which would quench our faith; **Deliver us, good Lord.**

That we may be strengthened by the suffering of our Lord, the Lamb of God that by His Passion we may be set free from bondage of our sins; and that we may rejoice in being made partakers of His resurrection; **We implore you to hear us, good Lord.**

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, **we implore you to hear us.**

Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, **have mercy.**

Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, **have mercy.**

Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, **grant us your peace.**

O Christ, **hear us.**

O Lord, **have mercy.**

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.

Benedicamus and Benediction

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen.

Recessional Hymn: #703 “How Can I Thank You Lord”

Postlude “My Inmost Heart Now Raises”

Johann Christoph Bach

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God.

Today’s Ushers: Butch Roberts, Holly Wilson, Ryan Davidson, Stephanie Kiel

Worship Assistant: Early Service – Rich Essbach, Tom Baldwin; Late Service – Steve Anderson, Mark Meier

Lector: Early Service – Jackie Downey, Late Service – Allen Hall

Altar Guild for February: Sue & Ted Frake, Gayle Barcio

Lock-ups for February: Don Henderson, Wes Walker

Nursery is available in Preschool Room 106 during the 10:45 Worship Service for children ages 3 and under.

Crisis Control Item for February: Beef Stew

The Sermons are available on-line at <http://stjohnsww.com/weekly-sermons-2/>

St. John’s Prayer and Care Notes are distributed each Saturday. If you would like to receive this document and be listed on the email distribution, please send a request to:

- Dale Mierisch at wb9szl@triad.rr.com and include “St John’s Prayer and Care Notes Subscription” in the subject line of your email.
 - You may also send your prayer requests to Dale at this address.



Our Sunday Worship - Services are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School and Adult Bible Class both begin at 9:30 a.m.

A Great Place to Grow in Christ

*As a part of our outreach ministry, we have a
Preschool/Pre-K program and Kindergarten through 8th grade.
All programs/grades have full-time care available.*

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Church Office Hours Monday through Thursday,
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.