

WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Second Sunday in Lent



WELCOME FAMILIES!

We are glad that you are worshipping with your children and want you to feel welcome.

There is a “**Pray Ground**” for quiet play in the front right of the sanctuary. We ask that families stay with their little ones and try to keep noise to a minimum.

If you or your little one needs “a break” or “louder play”, there is an “**Active Worship**” room on the West side of the sanctuary. You can see and hear the service from this room.

GATHERING



The Holy Spirit gathers us together during this time of worship

Inviting All to Live the Gospel through Faith, Love, and Compassion

Welcome to Family of Christ

You are welcome to participate in worship this morning
the way you feel comfortable.

All Are Welcome, No Exceptions!

Everybody Is Somebody Here

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

We walk our path to you.

Sometimes we do not see...

The roads that we follow and the people we pass.

Sometimes we do not hear...

Your voice urging us to lift our gaze and see, open our ears and hear.

Sometimes we miss it all...

As we forget to follow you.

Lord God, help us to experience the journey as we walk beside you, for it is in those steps that we are closest to you. Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

ELW #858

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

P: For the well-being of all God’s children, we confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

P: God of our wandering,

C: God of our wilderness, we confess we have strayed from you. We put our hope in earthly powers. We expect to find happiness around each next corner and at each new milestone. When we are inevitably disappointed, we grumble at you. Forgive us, Lord. Remind us of the long story of salvation, of our place in it, and that you are its author. Attune us to your presence in each moment. And turn us from a narrow focus on ourselves, to a gracious focus on our fellow travelers. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

HYMN OF REPENTANCE

“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”

ELW #325

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: God our Tour leader,

C: you are the God of our Promised Lands. Today, we thank you that you are also the God of our journeys.

Sometimes we are so focused on the destination that we forget to invite you into the small and daily steps it takes to get there. But you are already here. And our walk with you matters. Help us to receive your word for the journey and know your presence as our guiding light. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, ² all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, ³ the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. ⁴ The Lord said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants.’ I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” ⁵ Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. ⁶ He buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. ⁷ Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired, and his vigor had not abated. ⁸ The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

⁹ Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom because Moses had laid his hands on him, and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses.

¹⁰ Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. ¹¹ He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, ¹² and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

L: The Word of our Lord **C: Thanks Be to God**

All young and young at heart are invited forward during the Children's time.

THE WORD

God speaks to us through scripture reading, preaching, and song.



GOSPEL READING

Luke 9:37-45

³⁷ The next day, when they came down from the mountain, a large crowd met Jesus. ³⁸ A man in the crowd called out, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son, for he is my only child. ³⁹ A spirit seizes him and he suddenly screams; it throws him into convulsions so that he foams at the mouth. It scarcely ever leaves him and is destroying him. ⁴⁰ I begged your disciples to drive it out, but they could not."

⁴¹ "You unbelieving and perverse generation," Jesus replied, "how long shall I stay with you and put up with you? Bring your son here."

⁴² Even while the boy was coming, the demon threw him to the ground in a convulsion. But Jesus rebuked the impure spirit, healed the boy and gave him back to his father. ⁴³ And they were all amazed at the greatness of God.

While everyone was amazed at all that he was doing, he said to his disciples, ⁴⁴ "Let these words sink into your ears: The Son of Man is going to be betrayed into human hands."

⁴⁵ But they did not understand this saying; its meaning remained concealed from them, so that they could not perceive it. And they were afraid to ask him about this saying.

L: The Gospel of our Lord C: Thanks Be to God

MESSAGE

Pastor Brent Erler

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!"

ELW #413

APOSTLES CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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THE MEAL

God feeds us with the forgiveness and presence of Christ.

All are invited to receive these gifts of God.

No Exceptions!

Children are welcome to come forward and receive communion or a blessing and Goldfish Crackers.



THE SENDING

We are blessed and sent out into the world to share God's Love with all people.



Serving Today

Pastor

Brent Erler

Musicians

Mary Wescott

Sound and Video

Donny Bergquist

*Thanks to all those who helped make worship possible.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: Lord, in Your Mercy

C: Hear our prayers

HOLY COMMUNION

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.

BLESSING

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

Lord God, you have called your servants
to ventures of which we cannot see the ending,
by paths as yet untrodden,
through perils unknown.
Give us faith to go out with good courage,
not knowing where we go,
but only that your hand is leading us
and your love supporting us,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

CLOSING HYMN

“Lord of All Hopefulness”

ELW #765

POSTLUDE

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