

Announcements

- **Worship Schedule:** Worship will be indoors every Sunday at 9:00am. We ask that you please wear a mask and continue to sign in.
- **MARCH NEEDS:** Please visit the usher table to sign up for the March discipleship - lector, vocal leading, ushering and running the sound system!
- **Bible Study** will meet downstairs after worship. March Dates: 6th, 20th, 27th.
- **Congregational Meeting:** March 20th following worship. We will be discussing the basement project to help with the water problem. A proposal will be available and an approval will be needed to start this project. If you have questions, please attend the meeting.
- **March Food Drive:** Please bring nonperishable items to church on Sundays (or during office hours). Food will be brought to Family Pathways weekly! Food suggestions: canned fruit or veggies; bagged potatoes, carrots or onions; baking or cooking items: oil, flour, sugar, spices; canned meat: tuna, chicken, salmon; canned soups, peanut butter, personal hygiene or household cleaning products. Want to give financially? With Family Pathways buying power - \$1 = \$7 worth of groceries.

Lenten Wednesday

Evening Services at 7pm

March 9th, March 16th,
March 23rd, March 30th,
and April 6th

Thank you so much to Rose Anderson, Kathy Carlsted, Miriam Flysjo, and Joan Bolzman for spending time with Donna while family was out of town. I really appreciate your time and kindness.

~ Pete Lindgren

PRAYERCARE Helen Swanson, the family of Ann Rue, the family of Kurt Kowarsch, the family of Joe Mallery, Dan Petersen, the family of Cheryl Slattengren, Marcielle Rogers, Cleo Stomberg Michelle Lynch, the family of Brian Maloney, Leo Nelson, Nancy Mallery, the family of Dale Stomberg, the family of Lowell Nelson, Yutaro Nakanishi, the family of Anne Lindgren, the family of John Solheim, Donna Lindgren, Don & Verna Grover, Vicki Ford, Dave Danberg, Caroline Greene, Nia Glynn, Sandy McElratha and Ron Hackmann.

Sunday, March 6, 2022

Pastor Dwight Rudquist

Music: Toni Brekke

Usher: Lisa Rudquist

Lector: Lisa Rudquist



Sunday, March 6, 2022

First Sunday in Lent

Bolded words: Congregation
Non-bolded words: Pastor

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage. **Amen.**

Holy One, we **confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.**

Beloved in Christ, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God shall be saved. In Jesus, God comes to you again and again and gathers you under wings of love. In Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven. God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN: The Glory of These Forty Days **ELW #320**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.**

DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS

COMMUNION HYMN: Lead Me, Guide Me (vs. 1&3) **ELW #768**

POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**
Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body, the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey

Almighty God, motherly, majestic, and mighty, bless you this day and always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: On Our Way Rejoicing **ELW #537**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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.

PRAYERS

P: Merciful God.

C: Receive our prayer.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, ... join in their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 91:1-2,9-16

You who live in the shelter of the Most High,
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
will say to the LORD, “My refuge and my fortress;
my God, in whom I trust.”

Because you have made the LORD your refuge,
the Most High your dwelling place,
no evil shall befall you,
no scourge come near your tent.

For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.

On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

You will tread on the lion and the adder,
the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

Those who love me, I will deliver;
I will protect those who know my name.

When they call to me, I will answer them;

I will be with them in trouble,
I will rescue them and honor them.

With long life I will satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Romans 10:8-13

But what does it say?

“This word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

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Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL: Luke 4:1-13

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 4th Chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.” Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone.’”

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, “To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.” Jesus answered him, “It is written,

‘Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.’”

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written,

‘He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,’

and

‘On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE: Pastor Dwight Rudquist

HYMN OF THE DAY: O Lord, throughout These Forty Days

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