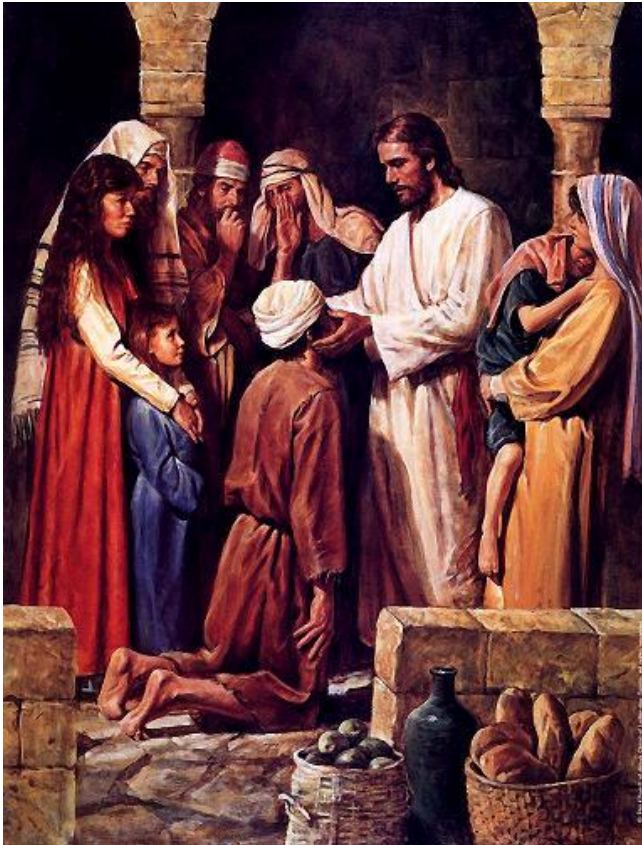


***St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church***  
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Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Adult Bible Class: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.

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# *To God Be the Glory!*

## THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 20, 2022

**HOLY COMMUNION** Our congregation believes and confesses that in Holy Communion not only does Jesus give us forgiveness; He also miraculously gives us His actual body and blood.

We seek to receive our Lord's Supper according to the guidelines God has established in His Word. God's Word states that the Sacrament is to be an expression of like-mindedness in faith (same in doctrine) and that only those should commune who are worthy to receive it (who have been properly instructed and are truly repentant).

In keeping with God's instruction, and out of deep love for the souls of His people, we invite visiting members of other Missouri Synod Lutheran congregations, who are members in good standing, to receive Holy Communion with us after announcing their intent to the pastor. Visitors who are not members of a Missouri Synod Lutheran congregation are asked to please refrain from the Sacrament at this time. Thank you.

### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Liturgy: Divine Service 1, pg. 151

Hymns: 544, 421, 607, 429, 628, 526

Organist: Ruth Fiscus

Acolyte: Daniel Zoske

Ushers: Mark Granzow, Stan Penning

### **THIS WEEK AS GOD LEADS US TOGETHER**

Monday: 8:30-11:30a.m. Mission Circle Sewing Day

Wednesday: 6:00-7:15p.m. Midweek Classes

6:45-7:15p.m. Sr. Choir

**7:30p.m. Lenten Vespers**

**Next Sunday:** 9:00a.m. Christian Education Classes  
10:00a.m. Worship w/ Holy Communion

Acolyte: Kora Chaplin

Ushers: Mark Granzow, Stan Penning

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Eugene & Tresa Zoske.

**EASTER FLOWERS:** There is a sign-up sheet for Easter flowers on the bulletin board; Lilies-\$8.56, Azaleas-\$42.80, Mums-\$28.89. Deadline to sign-up is March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**CARE CENTER DEVOTIONS:** will resume this afternoon at 2:00p.m. at the Hubbard Care Center. Anyone wanting to come help with singing is welcome.

**LENTEN VESPERS:** We will be having Lenten Vespers on Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:30p.m.

**MISSION CIRCLE FUN AND FELLOWSHIP:** We will meet Monday morning at 8:30a.m. to continue working on our sewing projects. All ladies are welcome to attend. You don't need to know how to sew. Come for the fun and fellowship!

**LWML SPRING RALLY:** There will be a spring rally held at the St. John Lutheran Church in Wellsburg on Saturday, April 2, 2022. Registration with coffee and rolls at 8:30a.m. Meeting begins at 9:00a.m. More details may be found on the bulletin board along with a sign-up sheet if you are planning to go.

**LUTHERAN WITNESS:** It is once again time to renew your subscription for the Lutheran Witness. The price is \$15.96 for the year. Please let the secretary (Shelly Petersen) know before May 1<sup>st</sup> if you want to subscribe. Thank you.

**THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS:** A reminder if you are a customer of Thrivent that there is still time to direct your choice dollars for 2021. The deadline is March 31<sup>st</sup>. You can go to the website, call 800-847-4836, or contact your Thrivent representative to direct your choice dollars. If you have any questions about it, feel free to contact Scott Neubauer.

**CAMP IO-DIS-E-CA:** There is information posted on the bulletin board for anyone wishing to attend camp this summer. Pamphlets are on the table for your taking.

**BIRTHDAYS** Thurs.-Judy (D) Dubberke, Nicholas Topp, John Klatt; Fri.-Betty Anderson, Hadley Dubberke; Sat.-Danny Bradshaw.

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES** Sat.-Eugene & Tresa Zoske (51).

**PSALM 4:1-8**

antiphon vs. 1



<sup>1</sup>Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!  
You have given me relief when I was | in distress.\*  
Be gracious to me and | hear my prayer!

<sup>2</sup>O men, how long shall my honor be turned | into  
shame?\*

**How long will you love vain words and seek | after  
lies?**

<sup>3</sup>But know that the LORD has set apart the godly | for  
himself;\*

the LORD hears when I | call to him.

<sup>4</sup>**Be angry, and | do not sin;\***  
**ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be |**  
**silent.**

<sup>5</sup>Offer right sacri- | fices,\*  
and put your trust | in the LORD.

<sup>6</sup>**There are many who say, “Who will show | us some  
good?\***

**Lift up the light of your face upon us, | O LORD!”**

<sup>7</sup>You have put more joy | in my heart\*  
than they have when their grain and | wine abound.

<sup>8</sup>**In peace I will both lie | down and sleep;\***  
**for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in | safety.**

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

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Be gracious to me and | hear my prayer!

## **EXODUS 8:16-24**

<sup>16</sup> So the Lord said to Moses, "Say to Aaron, 'Stretch out your rod, and strike the dust of the land, so that it may become lice throughout all the land of Egypt.' "

<sup>17</sup> And they did so. For Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod and struck the dust of the earth, and it became lice on man and beast. All the dust of the land became lice throughout all the land of Egypt.

<sup>18</sup> Now the magicians so worked with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they could not. So there were lice on man and beast.

<sup>19</sup> Then the magicians said to Pharaoh, "This is the finger of God." But Pharaoh's heart grew hard, and he did not heed them, just as the Lord had said.

<sup>20</sup> And the Lord said to Moses, "Rise early in the morning and stand before Pharaoh as he comes out to the water. Then say to him, 'Thus says the Lord: "Let My people go, that they may serve Me.

<sup>21</sup> Or else, if you will not let My people go, behold, I will send swarms of flies on you and your servants, on your people and into your houses. The houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms of flies, and also the ground on which they stand.

<sup>22</sup> And in that day I will set apart the land of Goshen, in which My people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there, in order that you may know that I am the Lord in the midst of the land.

<sup>23</sup> I will make a difference between My people and your people. Tomorrow this sign shall be." ' ' "

<sup>24</sup> And the Lord did so. Thick swarms of flies came into the house of Pharaoh, into his servants' houses, and into all the land of Egypt. The land was corrupted because of the swarms of flies.

*A This is the Word of the Lord.*

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **EPHESIANS 5:1-9**

<sup>1</sup> Therefore be imitators of God as dear children.

<sup>2</sup> And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.

<sup>3</sup> But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints;

<sup>4</sup> neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks.

<sup>5</sup> For this you know, that no fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

<sup>6</sup> Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.

<sup>7</sup> Therefore do not be partakers with them.

<sup>8</sup> For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light

<sup>9</sup> (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth),

*A This is the Word of the Lord.*

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **LUKE 11:14-28**

<sup>14</sup> And He was casting out a demon, and it was mute. So it was, when the demon had gone out, that the mute spoke; and the multitudes marveled.

<sup>15</sup> But some of them said, "He casts out demons by Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons."

<sup>16</sup> Others, testing Him, sought from Him a sign from heaven.

<sup>17</sup> But He, knowing their thoughts, said to them: "Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and a house divided against a house falls.

<sup>18</sup> If Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? Because you say I cast out demons by Beelzebub.

<sup>19</sup> And if I cast out demons by Beelzebub, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges.

<sup>20</sup> But if I cast out demons with the finger of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you.

<sup>21</sup> When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are in peace.

<sup>22</sup> But when a stronger than he comes upon him and overcomes him, he takes from him all his armor in which he trusted, and divides his spoils.

<sup>23</sup> He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters.

<sup>24</sup> "When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.'

<sup>25</sup> And when he comes, he finds it swept and put in order.

<sup>26</sup> Then he goes and takes with him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last state of that man is worse than the first."

<sup>27</sup> And it happened, as He spoke these things, that a certain woman from the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, "Blessed is the womb that bore You, and the breasts which nursed You!"

<sup>28</sup> But He said, "More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"