

St. Luke Lutheran Church Pastor Eric Hanson 8:30AM • February 28, 2021 • Second Sunday in Lent

Prelude: "O Lord, Hear My Prayer" #751 2X

The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise! All my hope comes from God; The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise, God the well-spring of life.

Confession and Forgiveness (please stand as you are able)

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the leader begins.)

- L: We begin in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit C: Amen
- L: God of heaven and earth, you come in close & make us yours. Equip us by your Spirit to confess our sin, embrace your forgiveness, & seek your will for our lives, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. C: Amen
- L: With honesty of heart, let us confess our sin. Silence. Merciful God,
- C: Forgive us. Our will is handcuffed to sin, and we cannot break free. We have spoken when we should have kept quiet. *Silence*
- C: We were silent when we should have said something. Silence
- C: We were still when we should have moved. Silence
- C: We moved when we should have been still. Silence
- C: For the wrong we have done, for the good we have failed to do, have mercy on us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- L: Like a hen who gathers her chicks, God embraces you in tender are. Like manna in the desert, God feeds you with surprising mercy. Like a loving parent, God runs to meet you again this day, forgiving your sins for the sake of + Jesus Christ, leading you from death into life. **C: Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: (you may be seated) "Around You, O Lord Jesus" #468

- Verse 1: Around you, O Lord Jesus, your own you gather still to share the feast you give us with grace our lives to fill. You say to us so lovingly, "Take, eat! This is my body! Take, drink! This is my blood!"
- Verse 2: We hear your invitation, and heed, O Lord, your call; your word of consolation is spoken here to all. It draws us to your loving heart; it brings to us your blessing, which never will depart.
- Verse 3: We are your own forever; until our final breath we will be true and never in joy, in grief, in death depart from you, for you are still among your people dwelling, as you have said you will.
- **Greeting:** L: The Grace or our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, & the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: And also with you.
- **Kyrie** L: Kyrie eleison **C: Lord, have mercy.**
 - L: Christe eleison **C: Christ, have mercy.**
 - L: Kyrie eleison **C: Lord, have mercy.**

Canticle of Praise: "Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery" #334

- Verse 1: Tree of Life and awesome myst'ry, in your death we are reborn; though you die in all of hist'ry, still you rise with ev'ry morn, still you rise with ev'ry morn.
- Verse 2: We remember truth once spoken, love passed on through act and word; ev'ry person lost and broken wears the body of our Lord, wears the body of our Lord.
- Verse 3: Christ, you lead and we shall follow, stumbling though our steps may be; one with you in joy and sorrow, we the river, you the sea, we the river, you the sea.
- Lent 2 Verse: In our call to be a blessing, may we be a blessing true; may we live and die confessing Christ as Lord of all we do. Christ as Lord of all we do.

Prayer of the Day: O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Psalm 22:23-31: *read by ???* ²³You who fear the Lord, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory. Stand in awe of the Lord, all you offspring of Israel. ²⁴For the Lord does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the Lord's face hidden from them; but when they cry out, the Lord hears them. ²⁵From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the Lord. ²⁶The poor shall eat and be satisfied, Let those who seek the Lord give praise! May your hearts live forever! ²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord; all the families of nations shall bow before God. ²⁸For dominion belongs to the Lord, who rules over the nations. ²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the Lord. ³⁰Their descendants shall serve the Lord, whom they shall proclaim to generations to come. ³¹They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, "The Lord has acted!"

Gospel Acclamation: *"Hosanna in the Highest"* 2X (*Stand as you are able*) **Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest**

L: The holy gospel according to.... C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading: Mark 8:27-38 (*Please stand as you are able*) ²⁷ Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸ And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." ²⁹ He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." ³⁰ And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. ³¹ Jesus] began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." ³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous & sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

L. Word of God. Word of life. C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message (you may be seated)

Sermon Pastor Eric Hanson

Hymn of the Day: "O Jesus We Will Be Disciples"

Verse 1:Jesus taught disciples that the Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes.

- Refrain: Oh Jesus we will be disciples, where You go we'll follow, we'll put aside our earthly cares, take up our cross and follow You.
- Verse 2: "Who is it that you think I am? You call Me the Messiah. I will be killed, do not despair for three days later I will rise."
- Verse 3: "You doubt Me Peter, get behind Me, you are on the side of men. Disciples leave your earthly cares, take up your cross and follow Me."

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, & 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, & he will come to judge the living & 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, & the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers: (call and response)

Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need. *A brief silence.* Your gift of grace is for all people. Give confident faith to all the baptized, that they may follow you wholeheartedly. Give new believers joy in your promises; give hope and courage to those who suffer for their faith. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

All the ends of the earth worship you. From galaxies to microorganisms, preserve your creation. Teach humanity to wonder at your works and to join you in tending to creation's well-being. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You rule over the nations. Raise up advocates for peace and justice within and between nations. Give life where hope seems dead; call into existence new realities we cannot even imagine. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

In Jesus you joined humanity in suffering and death. Reveal to all the depth of your love shown on the cross. Accompany all who suffer in body, mind, and spirit. Restore all who are sick or grieving. Bring vindication for victims of injustice, exploitation, and oppression especially Gabriel Ryan, Jo Buck, Ruth Holm, Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, David Roschen, Jim Howard, Naomi Berland, Nancy & Donald Nord, Dean Kirkland, Don & Ella Hadler, Marlene & Lloyd Roschen, Finley Budensiek, Brent Hokanson & Karl Thomforde. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You made Abraham and Sarah the ancestors of a multitude of nations. Bless grandparents, parents, and foster parents, and the children who look to them for care and guidance. Console those who deal with infertility, parents who have entrusted their children to adoption, and children longing to be adopted. Equip ministries and services to families. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great**.

We await the day of Christ's coming in glory. Lead us by the example of all the saints whom you have called to take up their cross and follow you, that together we may find our lives in you. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great**.

We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sharing the Peace: L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offering & Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above, you heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer:

P: O God, receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide. Nourish us anew in your tender care, and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace. C: **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you **C: And also with you**

L: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Salutation

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy Lord, most holy Lord; You alone are worthy of all the praise. Holy Lord, most Holy Lord; with all of my heart I sing: Great are You Lord. worthy of praise, holy and true; great are You Lord, most holy Lord.

Words of Institution

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; & forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; & lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, & the power, and the glory, forever & ever. Amen.

Lamb of God

Your only Son, we crucified, we laughed and scorned Him as He died, The humble King, we named a fraud, and sacrificed the Lamb of God. Oh, Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the Holy Lamb of God, Oh, wash me in your precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Communion Prayer: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

Blessing (please stand as you are able)

L: May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy, the Lord look upon you with favor and give you + peace. **C: Amen.**

Sending Hymn: "Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us" #789

- Verse 1: Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need your tender care; In your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use your fold prepare: Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, you have bought us, we our yours; Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, you have bought us, we our yours;
- Verse 2: We are yours, in love befriend us, be the guardian of our way; Keep your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray: Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, hear us children when we pray; Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, hear us children when we pray;
- Verse 3: You hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be; You have mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free: Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, early let us turn to you; Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, early let us turn to you;
- Verse 4: Early let us seek your favor, early let us do your will; Blessed Lord and only Savior, with your love our spirits fill: Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still;
- **Dismissal** L: Marked with the cross of Christ, go forth to love and serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: "Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil" #512

Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word. Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood. When my heart is hard, break the stone away. When my heart is cold, warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way. Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

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