

**Our Saviour's Lutheran Church**

**February 28th, 2021**

**5:00pm & 9:00am**





**OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**"CONNECTING FAMILIES TO JESUS"**

**WELCOME** to this place of worship and prayer as we gather as part of the family of our heavenly Father. If you are visiting, please complete a yellow witness of worship card, placing it in the offering plate.

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**OUR 9:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE** is broadcast live each week on **WZNL 94.3 FM radio**.

**WE WELCOME YOU TO HOLY COMMUNION**

All who seek the benefits of this sacrament are welcome at the communion table. There are gluten free and wine free options upon request. Thanks for worshipping with us today!

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**February 28, 2020**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**

## **Prelude**

*We would like to welcome all of our listeners & viewers at home to be a part of our worship today. Your physical presence is missed, but your presence in the Spirit is among us always.*

## **Welcome & Announcements**

### **Preparation for Worship**

*Pray for an open heart to experience the presence of Jesus, for your family, for your family of faith, for the worship team*

## **The Celebration of God's Presence**

### **\*Confession & Forgiveness**

[P] We gather together today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

[C] **Amen.**

[P] Gathered by the Holy Spirit, let us confess our sin.

[C] **Lord God who makes all things new, 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. 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] Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for us and, for His sake, God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## Preparation for the Word

### **\*Opening Hymn – “God So Loved the World”**

*(Saturday – “Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling” See Insert)*

**God so loved the world.  
God so loved the world,  
that He gave His only begotten Son,  
that whoso believeth, believeth in Him  
should not perish, should not perish  
but have everlasting life.**

**For God sent not His Son into the world  
to condemn the world.  
God sent not His Son into the world  
to condemn the world;  
But that the world through Him might be saved.**

**God so loved the world.  
God so loved the world,  
that He gave His only begotten Son,  
that whoso believeth, believeth in Him  
should not perish, should not perish  
but have everlasting life, everlasting life,  
everlasting, everlasting life.  
God so loved the world.  
God so loved the world.  
God so loved the world.**

### **\*Greeting**

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

**[C] And also with you.**

### **\*Prayer of the Day**

[P] Let us pray together:

**[C] 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.**

## God's Word Guides

### First Reading – Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

<sup>1</sup>When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. <sup>2</sup>And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." <sup>3</sup>Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, <sup>4</sup>"As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. <sup>5</sup>No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. <sup>6</sup>I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. <sup>7</sup>I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. <sup>15</sup>God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. <sup>16</sup>I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

[L] The word of the Lord.

**[C] Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 22:23-31

<sup>23</sup>You 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.

<sup>24</sup>**For 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.**

<sup>25</sup>From you comes my praise in the great assembly;  
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

<sup>26</sup>**The poor shall eat and be satisfied,  
Let those who seek the LORD give praise!  
May your hearts live forever!**

<sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;  
all the families of nations shall bow before God.

<sup>28</sup>**For dominion belongs to the LORD,  
who rules over the nations.**

<sup>29</sup>Indeed, 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.

**<sup>30</sup>Their descendants shall serve the LORD,  
whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.**

<sup>31</sup>They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn,  
saying to them, "The LORD has acted!"

## **Second Reading - Romans 4:13-25**

<sup>13</sup>For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

<sup>16</sup>For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. <sup>18</sup>Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." <sup>19</sup>He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. <sup>20</sup>No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup>being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup>Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." <sup>23</sup>Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup>but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, <sup>25</sup>who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

[L] The word of the Lord.

**[C] Thanks be to God.**

## **\*Proclamation of the Gospel**

[P] The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**[C] Glory to you, O Lord.**

## **\*Gospel Reading - Mark 8:31-38**

<sup>31</sup>[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. <sup>32</sup>He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But 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."

<sup>34</sup>He 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. <sup>35</sup>For 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. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup>Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and 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."

[P] The Gospel of the Lord.

**[C] Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Meditation on the Word**

**Message - Pastor Paul Strom**

### **Offertory Hymn – “Lift High the Cross”**

*(If at this time you would like to bring forth an offering to the baskets at the front or back of the church, please do so.)*

**Refrain:**

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

**Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,  
our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. [Refrain]**

**All newborn servants of the Crucified  
bear on their brows the seal of him who died. [Refrain]**

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. [Refrain]**

**So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
praise to the Crucified for victory! [Refrain]**

### **\*The Apostles' Creed**

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

**We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead**

**We 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 of the Church**

**[P] ... Lord in your Mercy.**

**[C] Hear our prayer.**

## **Sacrament of Holy Communion**

### **\*Words of Institution**

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup,  
gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink,  
saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

### **\*The Lord's Prayer**

[P] Let us pray together the prayer our Lord 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.**

[P] The gifts of God for the people of God.

[C] **Thanks be to God.**

### **Holy Communion – Self Serve**

### **\*Post-Communion Blessing**

[P] Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen  
you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

### **\*Benediction**

### **\*Closing Hymn – “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”**

**Let us ever walk with Jesus,  
Follow his example pure,  
Through a world that would deceive us  
And to sin our spirits lure.  
Onward in his footsteps treading  
Pilgrims here, our home above,  
Full of faith and hope and love,  
Let us do our Father's bidding.**

**Faithful Lord, with me abide;  
I shall follow where you guide.**

**Let us suffer here with Jesus  
And with patience bear our cross.  
Joy will follow all our sadness;  
Where he is there is no loss  
Though today we so no laughter,  
We shall reap celestial joy:  
All discomforts that annoy  
Shall give way to mirth hereafter**

**Let us gladly die with Jesus.  
Since by death he conquered death,  
He will free us from destruction,  
Give to us immortal breath.  
Let us mortify all passion  
That would lead us into sin;  
Then by grace we all may win  
Untold fruits of his creation.  
Jesus, unto you I die,  
There to live with you on high.**

**Let us also live with Jesus.  
He has risen from the dead  
That to life we may awaken.  
Jesus since you are our head,  
We are your own living members;  
Where you live, there we shall be  
In your presence constantly,  
Living there with you forever.  
Jesus, if I faithful be,  
Life eternal grant to me.**

**\*Dismissal**

[P] Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

[C] **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

Senior Pastor – Rev. Paul Strom  
Organist – Betty Soderberg  
Saturday Pianist – Gretchen Strom  
Music – Tom Nelson

**Saturday**

5:00pm

**Sunday**

9:00am

In Charge	Larry Swartout	Jaeme Kaski
Lector	RoseAnne Aman	Cris Hamlin
Ushers		Brett & Karen Baij

**This Week at Our Saviour's**

Sunday	9:00 Communion Worship 11:00 Live Sunday School Lesson online
Monday	8:15 Preschool 4 & 5's
Tuesday	8:30 Preschool 3 & 4's
Wednesday	8:15 Preschool 4 & 5's 8:30 Sewing Bee 1:00 Hospice Quilters 5:00 Confirmation 6:30 Midweek Service
Thursday	8:30 Preschool 3 & 4's 10:30 Bible Study 6:30 Bible Study
Friday	8:15 Preschool 4 & 5's
Saturday	5:00 Communion Worship
Sunday	9:00 Communion Worship 10:00 Sunday School 10:00 First Communion Session/ Parent Meeting

**THIS WEEK'S LIVE STREAM** is given to the glory of God and in appreciation for Pastor Paul & Gretchen Strom by Peggy Watt.

**THE LENTEN GROCERY CART** will be by the Crystal Lake doors to receive basic household supplies such as paper products, laundry soap, cleaning supplies and personal care items. If each one of us would purchase just one item each week during the season of Lent we can fill our "Lenten Grocery Cart" to overflowing. All items will be taken to the First Lutheran Food Pantry as our Easter offering.

**MIDWEEK SERVICES** are on Wednesdays during Lent. Please join us for worship in-person or on-line at 6:30pm.

**BIBLE STUDY** is back in person! If you would like to receive the outline by e-mail please e-mail Pastor Paul at [pastorpaul@oslfamily.org](mailto:pastorpaul@oslfamily.org).

## **YOUTH MINISTRY**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** will hold a Bible Review on February 21st and Bible Bingo on February 28th. All live lessons will be at 11:00 and invites are emailed Saturday night.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** will resume in person starting March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 10:00am till 11:00am.

**1<sup>ST</sup> COMMUNION** sessions for our fifth graders will begin March 7<sup>th</sup> during Sunday School.

**CONFIRMATION** is back in person at 5:00pm and will continue at the time throughout Lent.

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Members: Kathy Kelm, Lois Martonen, Geno Schinderle, Jonny Nasi, Nancy Buchcuski – Shimwela**

**Family Members: Sally Maki, Jon Hundt, Joann Nyholm, Micah Lerman, Jonah Lerman, Pam, Ken, Dan Sleik, Lisa Nelson**

**Friends of Members: Pete Weber, Jesse, Bonnie Ketola, Raymond & Caroline Modrzynski, Rose Propson, Mike Redfern, Michelle Bruno, Marcia Juneau, Eric Frantz, Rosemary & Al DeJuliannie, Bonnie & Ken LeGrave**

**Kijitonyama Lutheran Church**, sister congregation, Tanzania

**All those serving in the armed forces in the U.S. and overseas: Andrew & Nicole Perla, Kaleigh Farrell, Emily Bradly, Neil Bradly, Claire Oberthaler, Iris, Nicholas Schroeder, Chris Carlson**

*To add a name, please call the church office. Names stay on the list for one month unless requested.  
To add someone to our prayer list, please be sure that you have asked their permission.*