

We welcome you in the name of our Savior who walked the dark road to the cross for us on that first Lent. May the peace of salvation and the sure hope of eternal life, gifts that Jesus alone can give, be yours in abundance through faith in him. If you are a guest with us, please sign our guest register on your way out. We invite you to worship with us again.

## **Our Worship**

**Order of Service:** “Service Of Word And Sacrament” in this bulletin. It can also be found on page 26 in Christian Worship if you would like to follow the music there.

**HYMN:** 528

*STAND*

**M:** The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

## **CONFESSION OF SINS**

**M:** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**C:** Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is

**evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## **PRAYER AND PRAISE**

### ***LORD HAVE MERCY***

*Kyrie*

**M:** For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: (Sung) Lord, have mercy.**

**M:** For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.

**C: (Sung) Christ, have mercy.**

**M:** For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: (Sung) Lord, have mercy.**

**M:** Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:

**C: (Sung) Amen.**

**M:** Let us pray.

**M:** Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation that through his anguish, pain, and death we may receive forgiveness of sins and inherit eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: (Sung) Amen**

*BE SEATED*

## **THE WORD**

**The Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 43:16-21 (NIV):** *The powerful Lord, who delivered his people from slavery in Egypt and the slavery of sin, continues to offer a new life of blessings to his faithful people.*

<sup>16</sup> This is what the LORD says—he who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters, <sup>17</sup> who drew out the chariots and horses, the army and reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick: <sup>18</sup> "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. <sup>19</sup> See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland. <sup>20</sup> The wild animals honor me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the desert and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen, <sup>21</sup> the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.

**PSALM OF THE DAY: 73** on page 94

**The Epistle Lesson: Philippians 3:8-14 (NIV):** *Our greatest treasure is the gift of salvation, whereby we are made righteous before God. This treasure motivates us in holy living. We cling to this treasure as we “press on to the goal” of eternal life.*

<sup>8</sup>What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup>and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God and is by faith. <sup>10</sup>I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup>and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead. <sup>12</sup>Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been

made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. <sup>13</sup>Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, <sup>14</sup>I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

**M:** The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as ransom for many.

## STAND

**The Gospel: Luke 20:9-19 (NIV):** *As God's chosen nation, Israel, rejected the prophets of salvation, so they also rejected and would soon kill the author of their salvation, God's own Son. May we never reject the precious gift of life from our God.*

<sup>9</sup>He went on to tell the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard, rented it to some farmers and went away for a long time. <sup>10</sup>At harvest time he sent a servant to the tenants so they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. <sup>11</sup>He sent another servant, but that one also they beat and treated shamefully and sent away empty-handed. <sup>12</sup>He sent still a third, and they wounded him and threw him out. <sup>13</sup>"Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my son, whom I love; perhaps they will respect him.' <sup>14</sup>"But when the tenants saw him, they talked the matter over. 'This is the heir,' they said. 'Let's kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.' <sup>15</sup>So they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. "What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? <sup>16</sup>He

will come and kill those tenants and give the vineyard to others." When the people heard this, they said, "May this never be!" <sup>17</sup>Jesus looked directly at them and asked, "Then what is the meaning of that which is written: " 'The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone'? <sup>18</sup>Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, but he on whom it falls will be crushed." <sup>19</sup>The teachers of the law and the chief priests looked for a way to arrest him immediately, because they knew he had spoken this parable against them. But they were afraid of the people.

**C: (Sung) Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*BE SEATED*

**HYMN OF THE DAY: 457**

**Sermon Text: Philippians 3:8-14**

**“ONCE YOU’RE FORGIVEN, BEING DRIVEN IS A GIVEN”**

*STAND*

**NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*BE SEATED*

**OFFERING**

*STAND*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

### **(Saturday)**

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.

Or

### **(Sunday)**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

## **THE SACRAMENT**

**M:** The Lord be with you.

**C: (Sung) And also with you.**

**M:** Lift up your hearts.

**C: (Sung) We lift them up to the Lord.**

**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: (Sung) It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

**M:** Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He made his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

**M:** Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

*Sanctus*

**C: (Sung) Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of your glory. You are my God, and I will exalt you. I will give you thanks, for you have become my salvation. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of your glory.**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the

forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

**M:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: (Sung) Amen.**

**O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD**

*Agnus Dei*

**C: (Sung) O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace. Amen.**

*BE SEATED*

**DISTRIBUTION**

**HYMN: 487**

**THANKSGIVING**

*STAND*

## **THANK THE LORD**

(Hymn 317 vs. 1)

**O Lord, we praise you, bless you, and adore you,  
In thanksgiving bow before you. Here with your body  
and your blood you nourish Our weak souls that they  
may flourish. O Lord, have mercy!**

**May your body Lord, born of Mary, That our sins and  
sorrows did carry, And your blood for us plead  
In all trial, fear, and need: O Lord, have mercy!**

**M:** Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips  
which have praised you here may glorify you in the world,  
that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son  
may long for his coming again, and that all who have  
received in his true body and blood the pledge of your  
forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with  
you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: (Sung) Amen.**

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with  
one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

**C: (Sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN: 328**

## **Announcements:**

### **Organist**

Our organist for this weekend is Jen Knutson. We thank her for beautifying our worship with her playing.

### **Midweek Wednesday Service/ Meal**

Worship begins at 7 p.m. with Pastor Pope conducting the service. There will be a Lenten meal at 6:00 p.m. put on by the Sunday School. They will be serving sloppy joes. We thank the Worship Committee for putting on last week's Lenten meal.

### **Prayer Requests –**

- \* Louette Propson–Enders who is recovering from a heart procedure.
- \* Aaron Wallander & Heidi Hochkammer, stationed in Iraq.

### **Trinity Teens Movie Night**

The Trinity Teens will be having a movie night on Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> of April at 4:00 P.M. in the Family Center. There will be pizza and other activities. Please watch the bulletin for more details to come!

### **Thank you**

We thank Bob & Gail Lietzau for providing and taking care of the altar flowers last weekend. We also thank the Mellstrom family for providing and taking care of the flowers this weekend in celebration of Mikaela's 1<sup>st</sup> birthday and in memory of Lindsay & Nicolle.

### **Easter Breakfast Sign up Sheet**

If you would like to sign up to bring ingredients/ to help serve, there is a sign up sheet in the narthex. If you have any questions please contact Harold Luebke of the Fellowship Committee at 775-4883.

**\*A new shipment of greeting cards and napkins have arrived.  
Prices are as marked in the narthex.**

## Calendars are in your mailboxes! ☺

**Date:      Ushers on Schedule:      March 19, 2007**

March 21<sup>st</sup> James Glaeser, Steve Pleuss

March 24<sup>th</sup> Al Bonfigt (Server), David Schultz (Server), Mark Kiesow

March 25<sup>th</sup> Gary Vetter (Server), Mark Knutson (Server), Jim Krim,  
Wayne Otto, Derrick Krey

March 28<sup>th</sup> John Smith, Jim Liermann

March 31<sup>st</sup> Harold Bratz, August Teesch

April 1<sup>st</sup> Len Arnold, Elwood Free, Jeff Kasten, Alex Kasten, James Ott

### **Maundy Thursday**

April 5<sup>th</sup> Dan Knutson (Server), Warren Lutze (Server), Jeff Knutson,  
Jim Krim

### **Good Friday**

April 6<sup>th</sup> James Glaeser (Server), Brian Glaeser (Server), Wayne Otto,  
James Ott

### **Easter Sunday Sunrise Service – 7:00 a.m.**

April 8<sup>th</sup> Harold Bratz, Peter Liermann, Jeff Knutson, Keith Petersen

### **Second Service – 9:30 a.m.**

Gary Vetter, Larry Hochkammer, Eli Kenneke, A.J. Kenneke  
Marty Kiesow

April 14<sup>th</sup> Al Bonfigt, Steve Pleuss

April 15<sup>th</sup> Len Arnold, Brian Glaeser, Elwood Free, Jeff Kasten,  
Alex Kasten

April 21<sup>st</sup> John Smith (Server), Warren Lutze (Server), Mark Kiesow

April 22<sup>nd</sup> Dan Knutson (Server), David Schultz (Server), Marty Kiesow  
Derrick Krey, Keith Petersen

April 28<sup>th</sup> Al Bonfigt, Jim Liermann

April 29<sup>th</sup> James Glaeser, Larry Hochkammer, Eli Kenneke, A.J. Kenneke,  
Jim Krim

If you are unable to make your scheduled service, please call Brian Glaeser  
@ 775-3941. Thanks, Brian

## Calendar of Events

**Sat. 24<sup>th</sup>** 7:00 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion

**Sun. 25<sup>th</sup>** 8:15 a.m. Bible Study & Sunday School  
9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion  
10:30 a.m. Choir/Trinity Band

**7:30 p.m. Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale  
Concert @ St. John – St. James Reedsville**

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>** 7:30 p.m. Building Committee Meeting

**Wed. 28<sup>th</sup>** 6:00 p.m. Lenten Meal –  
(Sunday School – Sloppy Joes).  
7:00 p.m. Worship – Pastor Pope presiding

**Thur. 29<sup>th</sup>** 5:30 p.m. Catechism Class  
7:00 p.m. Adult Instruction Class

**Sat. 31<sup>st</sup>** 7:00 p.m. Worship

**Sun. 1<sup>st</sup>** 8:15 a.m. Bible Study & Sunday School  
9:30 a.m. Worship  
10:30 a.m. Choir/Trinity Band

### **Greeters:**

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Harold & Lucille Jaeger

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Shelby & Ivy Johnson

**Ushers:** (See Schedule on page above)

### **Altar Guild: March – Group 3:**

Janet Matthias, Eunice Barnes, Janice Wehausen, Diane Smith



## *Happy Birthday and God's Blessings to...*

3/23 Mikaela Mellstrom

3/23 Pastor Pope

3/25 Jordan Sieracki

3/27 Alaina Luckow

3/28 Kristina Smith

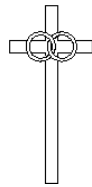
3/29 Leonard Arnold

3/29 Kara Sieracki

3/31 Polly Bonfigt

4/1 Kermit Liermann

4/1 Todd Petersen



## *Happy Anniversary To...*

3/25 Chris & Betty Mangin – 7 Years!

3/25 Connie & Jim Mangin – 35 Years!

3/30 Mona & Karl Hansen – 13 Years!

\*If you have a March birthday or anniversary that was missed or listed incorrectly please let us know so we can update church records! Thanks!