

Christ Ev. Lutheran Church

2nd Sunday in Lent—Mar. 1st, 2015

Opening Hymn: CW 463 v.1-3 “Jesus Calls Us O’er the Tumult”

Please stand.

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C (sings): Amen.

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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.

C: (sings) Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us. Amen.

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 (sings): Amen.

M: In the peace of this forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: (sings) Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav’nly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us. For you only are holy; you only are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen

M: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

M: Let us pray.

Prayer of the Day: Almighty God, You see that we have no power to defend ourselves. Guard and keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Please be seated.

First Lesson: Genesis 28:10-17

¹⁰Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Harran. ¹¹When he reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones there, he put it under his head and lay down to sleep. ¹²He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³There above it^[d] stood the LORD, and he said: “I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying. ¹⁴Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring.^[d] ¹⁵I am with you

and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.”¹⁶ When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, “Surely the LORD is in this place, and I was not aware of it.”¹⁷ He was afraid and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven.”

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 73– page 94 in *Christian Worship (CW)*

Second Lesson: Romans 5:1-11

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we^[a] have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we^[b] boast in the hope of the glory of God.³ Not only so, but we^[c] also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance;⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope.⁵ And hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.⁶ You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly.⁷ Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die.⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.⁹ Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God’s wrath through him!¹⁰ For if, while we were God’s enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!¹¹ Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Verse of the Day: Jesus humbled himself and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. (Philippians 2:8b)

M: Please stand.

Holy Gospel: Mark 8:31-38

³¹ He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again.³² He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.³³ But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. “Get behind me, Satan!” he said. “You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.”³⁴ Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.³⁵ For whoever wants to save their life^[b] will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it.³⁶ What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? ³⁷ Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? ³⁸ If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father’s glory with the holy angels.”

M: These are God’s Words.

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.

Please be seated.

Hymn of the Day: CW 434 "Lord, You I Love With All My Heart"

Sermon:

Please stand.

C: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit. Amen.

Please be seated.

Offering Hymn: 334 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Prayer of the Church and –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.

M: The Lord be with you.

C: (sings) And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: (sings) We lift them up unto the Lord.

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

C: (sings) It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by His death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

C: (sings) Holy, holy, holy Lord God of heavenly hosts; heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

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." The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: (sings) Amen.

C: (sings) 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.

Please be seated.

Distribution Hymn(s): 453

Please Stand.

C: (sings) Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace according to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of your people Israel.

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

C: (sings) And His mercy endures forever.

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (sings) Amen.

M: 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 His peace.

C: (sings) Amen. Amen. Amen.

Closing Hymn: CW 463 v.4-5 "Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult"

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>If you would like to make a donation for an Easter Lily to help decorate the Lord's house for our Easter celebration, please speak with either Tammy Schroeder or Janice Spilker-Pieper.

>Daylight savings starts next Sunday. Be sure to spring forward with your clocks.

>Please take the time to look over the cleaning schedule for the new year and consider when you can take your TURNS in helping care for the Lord's house. A guideline sheet for the Cleaning of the Lord's House will be posted on all 3 levels, please refer to these as you take your turn. Supplies (toilet paper, paper towel, dusting spray, garbage bags) are provided.

>Ladies' Mtg. Feb. 5th 7pm.

>Lent has begun and we gather for our third Lenten service @ 7pm. Their will be a meal hosted by our council starting at 5:45pm. We encourage you to take advantage of these special services to focus on the tremendous work of Salvation accomplished for us by our SAVIOR-GOD.

> Christ-Beatrice will once again be participating in the Circuit pulpit exchange during the Lenten season. This week our guest will be Pastor Kerry Kronebusch.

B-days & Anniv. –David Huwaldt (3/1); Stella, Claire, Emma Hillmann (3/1); Kendra Wollenburg (3/4); Annette Corter (3/6)

<i>This Week and Beyond</i>			<i>Fruits of our Faith (2/18&22)</i>		
Today	8:45am	BC & SS	Attendance: (Sat) 43 & 42(Sun)	Needed	
	9:30 am	Communion Worship	Home Fund:	\$1979	\$1600
Mon.	6:30pm	Confirmation	Missions:	\$118	\$122
Wed.	5:45pm	Lenten Meal	NELHS Operating:	\$110	\$122
	7:00pm	Worship	NELHS Debt:	\$25	
Sat.	4:30pm	Worship	<i>Total</i>	\$2232	\$1844
Sun	8:45 am	BC & SS	<i>Serving Among Us</i>		
	9:30 am	Worship	Organist: Janice Spilker-Pieper		
			Ushers: Mike Schroeder(elder),		
			Kevin Rehm & Spencer Corter		