

**So Abraham called that place
“The Lord will provide”;
as it is said to this day, “On the mount
of the Lord it shall be provided.”**

Genesis 22:14, NRSV



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✠ First Sunday in Lent ✠

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WELCOME

In the readings today, God tests Abraham's faith by telling Abraham to offer his beloved son Isaac as a burnt offering on Mt. Moriah. Abraham complies, trusting that God will provide the lamb for the burnt offering. God does. It is then said that "[on] the mount of the Lord it shall be provided" (Gen. 22:14). This all pre-figured God giving His beloved Son Jesus to us on Mt. Calvary. In the Gospel reading, Jesus is tempted by the devil in the wilderness following His baptism by John. Jesus overcomes by the Word of the Lord and faith. He begins His work of redeeming us. Jesus then becomes our strength to resist those temptations that come by our own wayward desires (James 1:14). May God bless You as He connects you to Christ and His redeeming work in His Word and Sacrament today.

HOLY COMMUNION:

Holy Communion will be celebrated in the Divine Service today. In Holy Communion, our risen Savior, Jesus Christ, gives us His true body and true blood to eat and drink in and with the consecrated bread and wine, for the forgiveness of sins according to His Words of Institution. Those who participate in Holy Communion need to firmly believe this, though it is beyond our understanding. Since Jesus is present in this way, Holy Communion assumes and expresses that those who commune are united with Jesus and one another in His teaching of the Christian faith. Unity in doctrine with respect to what Holy Communion is and the teaching of the Christian faith in general comes before and is expressed in Holy Communion. If you are visiting us this morning and are not a communicant member of another congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, we ask that you first speak with our Pastor, or one of our elders, before receiving Holy Communion. This enables us to affirm unity in the faith through the teaching of God's Word and to promote the personal readiness of our communicants. Thank you and may God bless you!

Reviewing "Christian Questions with Their Answers" from the SMALL CATECHISM is a fine way to prepare for Holy Communion. This can be found on page 328 in the Lutheran Service Book hymnal that is in the pew rack.

TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS: Given to the glory of God by Frank & Sheila Daley in celebration of Erin's birthday.

SERVING THIS MORNING	ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING
02/14/2021	
Elder: Jonathan Rice Altar Guild: Kathy Schouten Counters: Ali Prunty +1	Worship (90) \$1,255.10 Preschool Tuition \$730.00 Preschool Donation \$50.00 Preschool Dedicated \$65.00

PRAYER REQUESTS: In our prayers today are Michelle Spieth for recovery from a kidney infection; John White, who is awaiting the results of medical tests; Arnold (Mack) Mackley for success of cancer treatments; Harold Barber for success of cancer treatments.

For prayers before and after worship, confession and absolution, and holy communion, please see page 14.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – please see page 13.

✠ DIVINE SERVICE ✠

Setting Four with Holy Communion

Pre-service music

Greeting

Opening Hymn

O Christ, You Walked the Road

LSB #424



1 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.
2 No bread of earth a-lone Can fill our hun-g'ring hearts.
3 No blind-ing sign we ask, No won-der from a-bove.
4 When lures of eas-y gain With prom-ise bright-ly shine,
5 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.



You faced with us temp-ta-tion's pow'r And fought our an-cient foe.
Lord, help us seek Your liv-ing Word, The food Your grace im-parts.
Lord, help us place our trust a-lone In Your un-swerv-ing love.
Lord, help us seek Your king-dom first; Our wills with Yours a-lign.
Stay with us through temp-ta-tion's hour To fight our an-cient foe.

✠ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION ✠

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

Psalm (spoken responsively)

Psalm 25:1-10; antiphon vv. 1, 2a

- P** 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
C 2 **O my God, in You I trust;**
P let me not be put to shame;
C **let not my enemies exult over me.**
P 3 Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame;
C **they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.**
P 4 Make me to know Your ways, O LORD;
C **teach my Your paths.**
P 5 Lead me in Your truth and teach me,
C **for You are the God of my salvation;**
P for You I wait all the day long.
C 6 **Remember Your mercy, O LORD, and Your steadfast love,**
P for they have been from of old.
C 7 **Remember not the sins of my youth nor my transgressions;**
P according to Your steadfast love remember me,
C **for the sake of Your goodness, O LORD!**
P 8 Good and upright is the LORD;
C **therefore He instructs sinners in the way.**
P 9 He leads the humble in what is right,
C **and teaches the humble His way.**
P 10 All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness,
C **for those who keep His covenant and His testimonies.**
C **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.**
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
P 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
C 2 **O my God, in You I trust.**

Kyrie

LSB 204



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

The Gloria in Excelsis is omitted during Lent

Salutation and Collect

- P** The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
P Let us pray.
O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Strengthen us so that following our Savior we may walk faithfully through the wilderness of this world as You lead us to the righteousness, peace, and joy of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

✘ READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE ✘

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 22:1-18

A The Old Testament reading is from Genesis, the twenty second chapter.

After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ² He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you."

³ So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him.

⁴ On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵ Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." ⁶ And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together.

⁷ And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸ Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

⁹ When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰ Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹ But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ¹² He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me."

¹³ And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴ So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

¹⁵ And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven ¹⁶ and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷ I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, ¹⁸ and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Hebrews 12:2

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,
the founder and perfecter of our faith,
who for the joy that was set before Him,
endured the cross, despising the shame,
and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Epistle

James 1:12-18

A The Epistle reading is from James, the first chapter.

¹² Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. ¹³ Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴ But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵ Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

¹⁶ Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷ Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸ Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

The Alleluia is omitted during Lent

Holy Gospel

Mark 1:9-15

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁹ In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.
¹⁰ And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

¹² The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³ And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵ and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

- C** **I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.**



1 From God can noth - ing move me; He will not step a - side
 3 The Lord my life ar - rang - es; Who can His work de - stroy?
 4 Each day at His good plea - sure God's gra - cious will is done.
 5 Praise God with ac - cla - ma - tion And in His gifts re - joice.



But gent - ly will re - prove me And be my con - stant guide.
 In His good time He chang - es All sor - row in - to joy.
 He sent His great - est trea - sure In Je - sus Christ, His Son.
 Each day finds its vo - ca - tion Re - spond - ing to His voice.



He stretch - es out His hand In eve - ning and in morn - ing,
 So let me then be still: My bod - y, soul, and spir - it
 He ev - 'ry gift im - parts. The bread of earth and heav - en
 Soon years on earth are past; But time we spend ex - press - ing



My life with grace a - dorn - ing Wher - ev - er I may stand.
 His ten - der care in - her - it Ac - cord - ing to His will.
 Are by His kind - ness giv - en. Praise Him with thank - ful hearts!
 The love of God brings bless - ing That will for - ev - er last!

- 6 Yet even though I suffer
 The world's unpleasantness,
 And though the days grow rougher
 And bring me great distress,
 That day of bliss divine,
 Which knows no end or measure,
 And Christ, who is my pleasure,
 Forever shall be mine.

- △ 7 For thus the Father willed it,
 Who fashioned us from clay;
 And His own Son fulfilled it
 And brought eternal day.
 The Spirit now has come,
 To us true faith has given;
 He leads us home to heaven.
 O praise the Three in One!

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Offering

Offertory

LSB 192



C Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

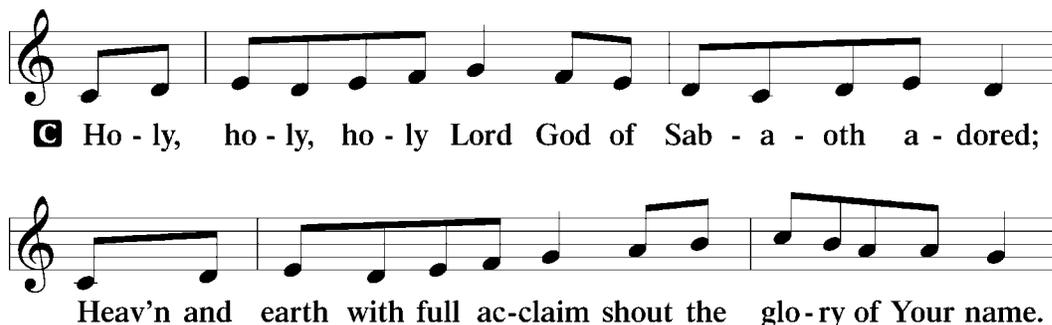
Preface

LSB 208

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**
- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we may be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 208



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
 Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.

Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho- san - na to the Lord;
 Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Lord's Prayer

- C** 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.

The Words of Institution

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

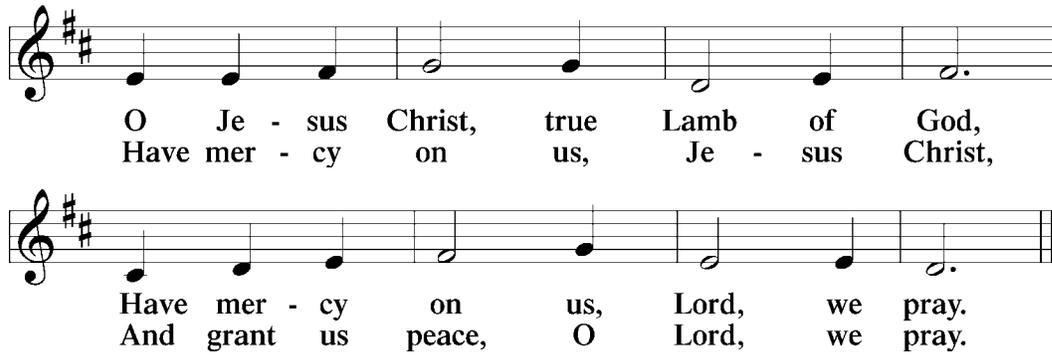
Pax Domini ~ Peace of the Lord

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** Amen.

Agnus Dei ~ Lamb of God

LSB 210

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution Hymns

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

LSB # 621



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence And with fear and
2 King of kings yet born of Mar - y, As of old on
3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van - guard
4 At His feet the six - winged ser - aph, Cher - u - bim with
trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
earth He stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture,
on the way As the Light of Light, de - scend - ing
sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence
trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
earth He stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture,
on the way As the Light of Light, de - scend - ing
sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence
scend - ing Comes our hom - age to de - mand.
faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.
van - quish As the dark - ness clears a - way.
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

The Lamb

LSB# 547



1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Fa - ther, where's the sac - ri - fice?
 2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One per - fect fi - nal of - fer - ing.
 3 The Lamb, the Lamb, As way - ward sheep their shep - herd kill
 4 He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretch - ed - ness.
 5 He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now o - ver - flows.



Faith sees, be - lieves God will pro - vide the Lamb of price!
 The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.
 So still, His will On our be - half the Law to fill.
 He lives, for - gives, He gives me His own righ - teous - ness.
 His song pro - long Till ev - 'ry heart to Him be - long.

Refrain



Wor - thy is the Lamb whose death makes me His



own! The Lamb is reign - ing on His throne!

Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

LSB# 618



1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and
 2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners
 3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I
 4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my
 5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's



wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -
 may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in
 have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt
 soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -
 bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of



lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:
 faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.
 ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:
 ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
 heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.

The Refrain is on the next page.

Refrain



Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

Nunc Dimittis ~ Now you let Your servant depart

LSB 211



C 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All

part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the

glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

- P** Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Benedicamus ~ Let us bless

LSB 212

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction ~ Blessing

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
- C** Amen.

Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart

LSB# 708



1 Lord, Thee I love with all my heart; I pray Thee, ne'er from
2 Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich boun-ty gave My bod - y, soul, and
3 Lord, let at last Thine an - gels come, To A - br'ham's bos - om



me de - part, With ten - der mer - cy cheer - me. Earth
all I have In this poor life of la - bor. Lord,
bear me home, That I may die un - fear - ing; And



has no plea - sure I would share. Yea, heav'n it - self were
grant that I in ev - 'ry place May glo - ri - fy Thy
in its nar - row cham - ber keep My bod - y safe in



void and bare If Thou, Lord, wert not near me. And should my
lav - ish grace And help and serve my neigh - bor. Let no false
peace-ful sleep Un - til Thy re - ap - pear - ing. And then from



heart for sor - row break, My trust in Thee can noth - ing shake.
doc - trine me be - guile; Let Sa - tan not my soul de - file.
death a - wak - en me, That these mine eyes with joy may see,



Thou art the por - tion I have sought; Thy pre - cious
Give strength and pa - tience un - to me To bear my
O Son of God, Thy glo - rious face, My Sav - ior



blood my soul has bought. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and
cross and fol - low Thee. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and
and my fount of grace. Lord Je - sus Christ, my prayer at -



Lord, my God and Lord, For - sake me not! I trust Thy Word.
Lord, my God and Lord, In death Thy com - fort still af - ford.
tend, my prayer at - tend, And I will praise Thee with - out end.

Post-service music

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK					
Today:	Worship Service	9:00am	Thursday:	Men's Bible Study	7:00pm
	Adult Bible Class	10:30am	Next Sunday:	Worship Service	9:00am
	Sunday School	10:30am		Adult Bible Class	10:30am
	Confirmation 1 Class	10:30am		Sunday School	10:30am
	Confirmation 2 Class	12:00pm		Confirmation 1 Class	10:30am
Tuesday:	New Member Class	7:00pm		Confirmation 2 Class	12:00pm
Wednesday:	Potato Bar	6:00pm			
	Lenten Service	7:00pm			

PASTOR'S LENT LETTER: A letter from Pastor that includes the themes, readings, and schedule for the Lenten season was sent out via email to all members. There are also printed copies available back by the mailboxes for your use.

PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER: People love to get cards in the mail these days! Buy boxes of cards to send messages to friends and to support the preschool at the same time! Card samples, details, and sign-up sheets are on a table back by the preschool. Please contact Trixy for more information.

ATTENTION PARENTS: The Board of Education along with some of our enthusiastic parents are excited to announce a new program for our youth! Our goals are: To build relationships, have fun and grow in our Christian faith! We are currently planning on activities for grades 3 – 5 and grades 6 – 8. Our first get together will be Friday, March 12 from 4-6 PM for both groups. We will be playing games here at church as well as sharing a Bible lesson. We ask that parents join us at 5:30 so that Pastor Westby and the Board of Education can discuss this program more in detail with you. We hope to see you there! Please call Kathy Schouten at 625-3610 with any questions.

STEWARDSHIP: Mark 1:13 – “And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.” God the Father cares for Jesus even in the midst of his temptation in the wilds. God cares for us in every situation as well. Jesus realized this and always acted from the basis of trust in God the Father's provision. This is likewise the basis for our life lived in Christ: God cares for us, so we need not act out of fear or greed.

ALL ABOUT FLOWERS! A couple flower reminders. Please remember to bring the flower vases back to the church after you pick up your flowers on Sunday mornings. Note that the cost to order flowers for a particular Sunday is \$15 and can be paid to Kathy Ling. Thank you!

BIRTHDAYS: Nikki Parker (2/3); Kari Bercher (2/4); Ryan Parker (2/4); Leigh Minter (2/5); Brandon Downing (2/6); Gracelyn Mackley (2/6); Adam Matthews (2/6); Tim Paulos (2/6); Bruce Harper (2/8); Tony Barrie (2/10); Greg Gustad (2/11); Charlotte Bercher (2/12); Charlie Gann (2/12); Taysen Stanek (2/14); Jay Buchanan (2/20); Ed Roberts (2/21); Wyatt Falke (2/22); Karen Stick (2/24); Trena Dujka (2/26)

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS: Barbara Dorrell (2/1), Rachel Yoder (2/1); Sharon Harper (2/7); Ridley Gustad (2/8); Tim Paulos (2/19); Oswaldo Hernandez (2/20); Alan Thate (2/24); Greg Gustad (2/23); Nikki Parker (2/24); Sam Steele (2/25); Adelynn Mackley (2/28)

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: David & Kathy Ling (2/14/1999); John & Chris Steele (2/15/1981)

ONLINE SERVICES: Can't attend our in-person services at this time or want to learn more about our church? All live-streamed and recorded services and Bible classes can be found on our website at elc rifle.com or by searching for *Emmanuel Lutheran Church Rifle Colorado* on the YouTube website at youtube.com.

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Prayers



Prayer before worship: O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in Spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

Prayer before confession and absolution: Almighty, everlasting God, for my many sins I justly deserve eternal condemnation. In Your mercy You sent Your dear Son, my Lord Jesus Christ, who won for me forgiveness of sins and everlasting salvation. Grant me a true confession that, dead to sin, I may be raised up by Your life-giving absolution. Grant me Your Holy Spirit that I may be ever watchful and live a true and godly life in Your service; through Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen.

Prayer after worship: Almighty and merciful God, I have again worshiped in Your presence in Jesus Christ and have received both forgiveness for my many sins and assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep me in faith until, with all Your saints, I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen

Prayer before communing: Dear Savior, my Lord Jesus Christ, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and to drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayer of thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament: Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen