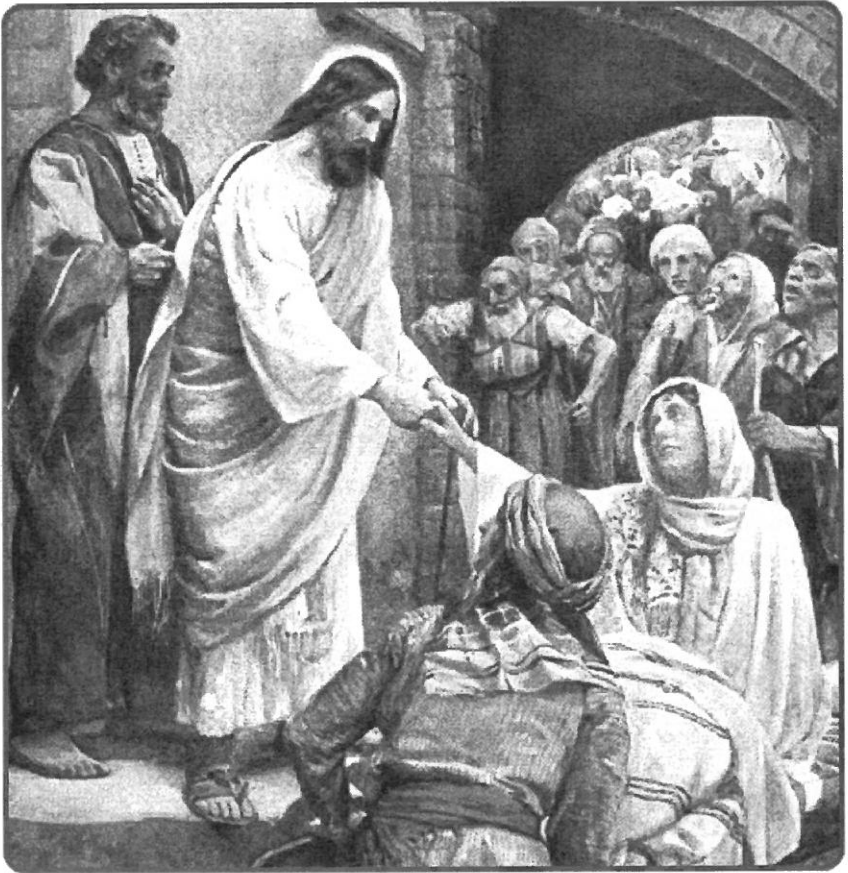


# St. Johns Lutheran Church

The fever left her,



and she began to serve them.

## **AS WE GATHER**

Every miraculous act of Jesus would point to His Father in heaven, the reason He was sent into this world, and a foretaste of what is to come when sin and sorrow are no longer part of this broken world. More than that, Christ's healing and preaching would find their culmination in the greatest miracle of His own death and resurrection, showing that the last enemy to be defeated is death. As His victory is our victory, until that Last Day, He continues to heal us with the forgiveness of sins and gives us hearts filled with hope and assurance in Him.

## **RINGING OF THE BELLS WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **WELCOME GUESTS**

We're glad you are here! Make it a point to introduce yourself to the pastor. *(Please keep your distance though)* Please take time to fill out an attendance card and drop it in the basket during the offering.

### **PREPARATION**

#### **HYMN**

O Son of God, in Galilee

LSB 841

**O Son of God, in Galilee  
You made the deaf to hear,  
The mute to speak, the blind to see;  
O blessed Lord, be near.**

**Oh listen to the silent prayer  
Of your afflicted ones.  
Oh bid them cast on you their care;  
Your grace to them make known.**

**The speechless tongue,  
The lifeless ear you can restore, O Lord;  
Your “Ephphatha,” O Savior dear,  
Can instant help afford.**

**Meanwhile to them the list’ning ear  
Of steadfast faith impart,  
And let your word bring light and cheer  
To ev’ry troubled heart.**

**Then in your promised happy land  
Each loss will prove a gain;  
All myst’ries we shall understand,  
For you will make them plain.**

#### **INVOCATION**

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

**OPENING SENTENCES** *Isaiah 40:21–22, 28; Psalm 147:3, 5*  
Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from  
the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of  
the earth?

**It is He who sits above the circle of the earth, . . . who stretches  
out the heavens like a curtain.**

Have you not known? Have you not heard?

**The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the  
earth.**

He heals the brokenhearted  
**and binds up their wounds.**

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;  
**His understanding is beyond measure.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

O God, You have come to call us to repentance and faith, to salvation and life. We come before You to confess and repent of our sins.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the times we have tried to keep our faith a private concern, failing to be all things to all people for the sake of Your kingdom, instead seeking Your blessings only for ourselves.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the times we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves and have neglected prayer and concern for the community in need around us and for people throughout the world.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the many faults and failings that are known only to You.

**Lord, have mercy.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ is given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## WORD

**INTROIT**     *Psalm 13:3–5; antiphon: v. 6*

I will sing \* to the Lord,

because he has dealt bountifully \* with me.

**Consider and answer me, O \* Lord my God;**

**light up my eyes, lest I sleep the \* sleep of death,**

lest my enemy say, “I have prevailed \* over him,”

lest my foes rejoice because I am \* shaken.

**But I have trusted in your \* steadfast love;**

**my heart shall rejoice in your sal \* vation.**

**Glory be to the Father and \* to the Son**

**and to the Holy \* Spirit;**

as it was in the be \* ginning,  
is now, and will be forever. \* Amen.  
I will sing \* to the Lord,  
because he has dealt bountifully \* with me.

**GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST** *LSB 170*

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:**

**We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:**

**You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.**

**For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,**

**You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

O God, our loving Father, as we run and grow weary and walk and feel faint in this earthly life of trials, troubles, and temptations, raise us up by Your grace that we be invigorated by Your Word and the hope affirmed through Christ's empty tomb; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**MEMORIZED WORD**

But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him" 1 Corinthians 2:9

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** *Isaiah 40:21-31*

<sup>21</sup>Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? <sup>22</sup>It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in;

<sup>23</sup>who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness. <sup>24</sup>Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. <sup>25</sup>To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. <sup>26</sup>Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of his might, and because he is strong in power not one is missing. <sup>27</sup>Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? <sup>28</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. <sup>29</sup>He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. <sup>30</sup>Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; <sup>31</sup>but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL** *Psalm 117:1–2a; 96:8*

Praise the LORD, all \* nations!

**Extol Him, all \* peoples!**

For great is His steadfast \* love toward us,

**and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for \* ever.**

Ascribe to the LORD the glory \* due His name;

**bring an offering, and come in \* to His courts!**

**EPISTLE** *1 Corinthians 9:16–27*

<sup>16</sup>If I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! <sup>17</sup>For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. <sup>18</sup>What

then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel. <sup>19</sup>For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. <sup>20</sup>To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup>To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup>To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. <sup>23</sup>I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings. <sup>24</sup>Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. <sup>25</sup>Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. <sup>26</sup>So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. <sup>27</sup>But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**VERSE**      *Mark 1:39*

**Alleluia. [Jesus] went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons. Alleluia.**

**HOLY GOSPEL**      *Mark 1:29–39*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>29</sup>Immediately [Jesus] left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup>Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. <sup>31</sup>And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them. <sup>32</sup>That evening at

sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. <sup>33</sup>And the whole city was gathered together at the door. <sup>34</sup>And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. <sup>35</sup>And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. <sup>36</sup>And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, <sup>37</sup>and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you." <sup>38</sup>And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." <sup>39</sup>And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**HYMN**                    "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

*LSB 398*

**Hail to the Lord's anointed,  
Great David's greater Son!  
Hail, in the time appointed,  
His reign on earth begun!  
He comes to break oppression,  
To set the captive free,  
To take away transgression  
And rule in equity.**

**He comes with rescue speedy  
To those who suffer wrong,  
To help the poor and needy  
And bid the weak be strong;  
To give them songs for sighing,  
Their darkness turn to light,  
Whose souls, condemned and dying,  
Were precious in His sight.**

He shall come down like showers  
Upon the fruitful earth;  
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers,  
Spring in His path to birth.  
Before Him on the mountains  
Shall peace, the herald, go;  
And righteousness in fountains  
From hill to valley flow.

Kings shall fall down before Him  
And gold and incense bring;  
All nations shall adore Him,  
His praise all people sing.  
To Him shall prayer unceasing  
And daily vows ascend;  
His kingdom still increasing,  
A kingdom without end.

O'er ev'ry foe victorious,  
He on His throne shall rest,  
From age to age more glorious,  
All blessing and all-blest.  
The tide of time shall never  
His covenant remove;  
His name shall stand forever—  
That name to us is Love.

## **SERMON**

### **APOSTLE'S CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of**

**God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

## **OFFERING**

### **OFFERTORY**

*LSB 176*

**What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?  
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.**

**I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Let us pray:

For the Church of God everywhere, that the Lord Jesus would continue to work among His people to forgive sins, deliver from death and the devil, and strengthen and preserve them in the one true faith unto life everlasting, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the kingdoms of this world, that God would guide rulers to act with justice and integrity in service to all those entrusted to their care, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those who grieve and those in need of healing and deliverance, [*especially . . .*], that God who heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds would grant them relief and preserve them in the hope of His steadfast love in Christ Jesus. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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.**

## **BENEDICTION**

The Lord bless us and keep us.

The Lord make His face shine on us and be gracious to us.

The Lord look upon us with favor and ✠ give us peace.

**Amen.**

**HYMN**            Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old    *LSB 846*

**Your hand, O Lord, in days of old  
Was strong to heal and save;  
It triumphed over ills and death,  
O'er darkness and the grave.  
To You they came, the blind, the mute,  
The palsied and the lame,  
The lepers in their misery,  
The sick with fevered frame.**

**Your touch then, Lord, brought life and health,  
Gave speech and strength and sight;  
And youth renewed and frenzy calmed  
Revealed You, Lord of light.  
And now, O Lord, be near to bless,  
Almighty as before,  
In crowded street, by beds of pain,  
As by Gennes' ret's shore.**

**O be our great deliverer still,  
O Lord of life and death;  
Restore and quicken, soothe and bless,  
With Your life-giving breath.  
To hands that work and eyes that see  
Give wisdom's healing pow'r  
That whole and sick and weak and strong  
May praise You evermore.**

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| Preacher           | Pastor Michael Tanney                    |
| Liturgist          | Allen Dass                               |
| Lector             | Dan Reh                                  |
| Elders             | Al Bohannon                              |
| Organist           | Suzanne Manelli                          |
| Ushers             | Don Osiek, Ben Thomas, and Roger Schmidt |
| Children's Message | Pastor Michael Tanney                    |
| Acolytes           | Tra-Mi and Thao-Vy                       |
| Greeter            | Roger Schmidt                            |
| Worship Screen     | Tra-Mi and Thao-Vy                       |

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# **Here is a preview of our Lent series for this year. The theme is “Places of the Passion”**

Join us for the places of the passion special service as we follow in the footsteps of our Savior, contemplating the places where Jesus stood on His path to salvation.

**Ash Wednesday, 2/17, 6pm: The City of Jerusalem**

**Week 1, 2/24, 6pm: Bethany**

**Week 2, 3/3, 6pm: The Mount of Olives**

**Week 3, 3/10, 6pm: Gethsemane**

**Week 4, 3/17, 6pm: The Courtyard**

**Week 5, 3/24, 6pm: Pilate’s Judgement Hall**

**Palm Sunday, 3/28, 9am: Bethphage**

**Maundy Thursday, 4/1, 6pm: The Upper Room**

**Good Friday, 4/2, 6pm: Golgotha**

**Easter Sunday, 4/4, 9am: The Garden Tomb**

# Announcements

## Saved to Share Called to Care

### Our Response to God's Love Last Week

Attendance Sunday: 28

Offering (2 weeks): \$3,550

**ATTENTION: PLEASE TAKE A HYMNAL** from the rack nearest to you and leave it on the pew where you are sitting prior to leaving the sanctuary today. This will enable us to be more efficient when we sanitize the pews this week. Thank you.

**NT CLASS** is at 6:30pm on Wednesday and Thursday nights. This week will be about Luke. All are invited to learn the overview of each Gospel and letter of the New Testament with its major themes.

**VOTER'S MEETING** There will be a voter's meeting next week on February 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:30pm. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend. You will also be able to join online with Google Meet.

**ST. JOHNS SINGS:** This week's hymn has a lovely melody that is familiar to many. We offer hymn 546 - O Jesus So Sweet, O Jesus So Mild. As you follow along in your hymnal, you'll see it is a beautiful meditation on Jesus' incarnation and redemptive work. This is one we should add to our congregation's repertoire!

# Prayers

**Special Prayer Petitions** –**Sue Hampel** Thanksgiving for a successful heart surgery; **Carmen** Hobson with back pain and possible surgery; **Irene** as she recovers from a stroke; **Ray** as he goes through treatment for stage 4 lung cancer and struggles with severe arthritis in hip; **St. Johns** for blessings on our virtual learning center; **For** those infected by the corona virus for quick healing and recovery. **Field-workers** and **Vicars** for their class work; **Nepali Congregation** blessings.

**Shut Ins** – Jeanette Creamer, Carmen Hobson, Bobbie Kepford, Dennis Solomon, Jerry Schmaltz, Carol Carr

## ***Opportunities to Love and Serve Christ this Week***

### ***February 7-February 14***

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| Sunday      | 9:00am Worship<br>10:30am Bible Study  |
| Monday      | 8am-2pm Office Open<br>3pm-5:30pm Virtual Learning Center  |
| Tuesday     | (No Secretary)<br>3:00pm-5:30pm Virtual Learning Center<br>6:00pm Seminary Class                         |
| Wednesday   | 8am-2pm Office Open<br>7:30am-5:30pm Virtual Learning Center<br>6:30pm ESL<br>6:30pm NT Class            |
| Thursday    | (No Secretary)<br>7:30am-5:30pm Virtual Learning Center<br>6pm NT Class                                  |
| Friday      | 8am-2pm Office Open<br>8am Bible Study<br>7:30am-5:30pm Virtual Learning Center                          |
| Saturday    | 8:30am Food Pantry<br>1:30pm Vicar Class   |
| Next Sunday | 9:00am Worship w/ Communion<br>10:30am Bible Study<br>11:30am Voter's Meeting<br>12:30pm African Worship |