St. Johns Lutheran Church

as a hen gathers her brood



would I have gathered your children, Oh Jerusalem

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AS WE GATHER

Throughout biblical history, God used prophets to call His people to repentance with the promise of mercy. God's mercy should encourage us to return to Him, but too often, the people of God have refused His care. That is the story of Jeremiah, who was sent by the Lord to speak His Word, warn His people of disaster if they refused Him, and promise mercy to all who repent. It is also our story. The Law warns us of the failure to confess our sins and the Gospel promises forgiveness to all who confess and believe in our Lord Jesus Christ. Today, we pray the Lord to grant us hearts willing to hear His Word, confess our sins, believe in the forgiveness of Christ, and rejoice in this blessing all our days.

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. Our service today includes the celebration of God's presence, as He comes in the true body and blood of Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Any who are not yet instructed or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, are asked to refrain from receiving the sacrament until they have spoken with the pastor. Please consider liking us on Facebook (St. Johns Lutheran Church – St. Louis City) and checking out our website (https://stjohnslutheranstlouis.org/).

PREPARATION

HYMN The Law of God Is Good and Wise LSB 579

The Law of God is good and wise And sets His will before our eyes, Shows us the way of righteousness, And dooms to death when we transgress.

Its light of holiness imparts
The knowledge of our sinful hearts
That we may see our lost estate
And turn from sin before too late.

To those who help in Christ have found And would in works of love abound It shows what deeds are His delight And should be done as good and right.

But those who scornfully disdain God's Law shall then in sin remain; Its terror in their ear resounds And keeps their wickedness in bounds.

The Law is good; but since the fall Its holiness condemns us all; It dooms us for our sin to die And has no pow'r to justify.

To Jesus we for refuge flee, Who from the curse has set us free, And humbly worship at His throne, Saved by His grace through faith alone.

INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Psalm 74:1

O God, why do You cast us off forever?

Why does Your anger smoke against the sheep of Your pasture?

May the Lord direct us to the ruins of our righteousness that we may learn repentance.

O Lord,

we poor sinners cry to You and beg Your mercy. We confess that we have lived as if You did not matter and as if we mattered most of all. Our Lord's name we have not honored as we should; our worship and prayers have faltered. We have not loved God above all things, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done the good Your Word desires and have done the evil Your Word forbids. May God be merciful to us, forgive us all our sins, and strengthen our faith for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Create In Me A Clean Heart (first sung by Pastor, then congregation)

Create in me a clean heart, O God
Let me be like You in all my ways.
Give me Your strength,
Teach me Your song;
Shelter me in the shadow of your wings,
For you are our righteousness,
If we die to ourselves and live through Your death,
We shall be born again to be blessed in Your will.

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

SALUTATION

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Merciful Lord, because of Your mercy, we pray, deliver us from our pride and arrogance and bring us to repentance, that we may know the refuge of Your mercy, be comforted with a clear conscience through the forgiveness of sins, and serve in the obedience of faith; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray.

Amen.

MEMORIZED WORD

⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—Ephesians 2:4-5

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Jeremiah 26:8–15*

⁸When Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the Lord had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, "You shall die! ⁹Why have you prophesied in the name of the Lord, saying, 'This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant'?" And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the Lord. ¹⁰When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house to the house of the Lord and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the Lord. ¹¹Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, "This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have

heard with your own ears." ¹²Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, "The Lord sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. ¹³Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the Lord your God, and the Lord will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. ¹⁴But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you.

¹⁵Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the Lord sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears."

This is the Word of the Lord. 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, despise * ing the shame,

and is seated at the right hand of the * throne of God.

EPISTLE *Philippians 3:17–4:1*

¹⁷Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. ¹⁸For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself. ¹Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the

Lord, my beloved.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart" LSB 708

Lord, Thee I love with all my heart;
I pray Thee, ne'er from me depart,
With tender mercy cheer me.
Earth has no pleasure I would share,
Yea, heav'n itself were void and bare
If Thou, Lord, wert not near me.
And should my heart for sorrow break,
My trust in Thee can nothing shake.
Thou art the portion I have sought;
Thy precious blood my soul has bought.
Lord Jesus Christ, My God and Lord, my God and Lord,
Forsake me not! I trust Thy Word.

Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich bounty gave
My body, soul, and all I have
In this poor life of labor.
Lord, grant that I in ev'ry place
May glorify Thy lavish grace
And help and serve my neighbor.
Let no false doctrine me beguile;
And Satan not my soul defile.
Give strength and patience unto me
To bear my cross and follow Thee.
Lord Jesus Christ, My God and Lord, my God and Lord,
In death Thy comfort still afford.

Lord, let at last Thine angels come, To Abram's bosom bear me home, That I may die unfearing; And in its narrow chamber keep
My body safe in peaceful sleep
Until Thy reappearing.
And then from death awaken me,
That these mine eyes with joy may see,
O Son of God, Thy glorious face,
My Savior and my fount of grace.
Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend, my prayer attend,
And I will praise Thee without end.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 13:31–35 The Hely Gospel according to St. Lyke the t

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³¹At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." ³²And he said to them, "Go and tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course. ³³Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.' ³⁴O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! ³⁵Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'"

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

CREED (WE ALL BELIEVE IN ONE TRUE GOD) LSB 953

We all believe in one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Ever-present help in need, Praised by all the heav'nly host; All He made His love enfolds, All creation He upholds.

We all believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's son, Who descended from His throne And for us salvation won; By whose cross and death are we Rescued from all misery.

We all confess the Holy Ghost, Who from both in truth proceeds, Who sustains and comforts us In all trials, fears, and needs. Blessed, holy Trinity, Praise forever be to Thee!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

OFFERING "For Jerusalem You're Weeping" sung by the Choir

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH LSB 215

Friends in Christ, I urge you all to lift up your hearts to God and pray with me as Christ our Lord has taught us and freely promised to hear us. God, <u>our Father in heaven</u>, look with mercy on us, Your needy children on earth, and grant us grace that <u>Your holy name be hallowed</u> by us and all the world through the pure and true teaching of Your Word and the fervent love shown forth in our lives. Graciously turn from us all false doctrine and evil living whereby Your precious name is blasphemed and profaned. Lord, in Your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

May <u>Your kingdom come</u> to us and expand. Bring all transgressors and those who are blinded and bound in the devil's kingdom to know Jesus Christ, Your Son, by faith that the number of Christians may be increased. Lord, in Your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Strengthen us by Your Spirit according to Your will, both in life and in death, in the midst of both good and evil things, that our own wills may be crucified daily and sacrificed to Your good and gracious will. Into Your merciful hands we commend [names] and all who are in need, praying for them at all times: Thy will be done. Lord, in Your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Grant us our daily bread, preserve us from greed and selfish cares, and help us trust in You to provide for all our needs. Lord, in Your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

<u>Forgive us our sins as we also forgive those who sin against us</u> so that our hearts may be at peace and may rejoice in a good conscience before Your, and that no sin may ever frighten or alarm us.

Lord, in Your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

<u>Lead us not into temptation</u>, O Lord, but help us by Your Spirit to subdue our flesh, to turn from the world and its ways, and to overcome the devil with all his wiles. Lord, in Your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

And lastly, O heavenly Father, <u>deliver us from all evil</u> of both body and soul, now and forever. Lord, in Your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We trust, O Lord, in Your great mercy to hear and answer us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SACRAMENT

PREFACE LSB 216

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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. In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His Testament:

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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"

SANCTUS *Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old* LSB 960 (Sung by Choir) Isaiah, mighty seer in days of old, The Lord of all in spirit did behold High on a lofty throne, in splendor bright, With robes that filled the temple courts with light. Above the throne were flaming seraphim; Six wings had they, these messengers of Him. With two they veiled their faces as was right, With two they humbly hid their feet from sight, And with the other two a loft they soared; *One to the other called and praised the Lord:* (Congregation joins in) "Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth! Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth! Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth!' His glory fills the heavens and the earth!" The beams and lintels trembled at the cry, And clouds of smoke enwrapped the throne on high.

PAX DOMINI

The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI Lamb of God, Pure and Holy LSB 434; verse 1

Lamb of God, pure and holy,
Who on the cross didst suffer,
Ever patient and lowly,
Thyself to scorn didst offer.
All sins Thou borest for us,
Else had despair reigned o'er us:
Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O, Jesus!

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

I Lay My Sins on Jesus Lord Jesus, Think on Me LSB 606 LSB 610

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

O Lord, We Praise Thee LSB 617; verse 1

O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee, In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish Our weak souls that they may flourish:
O Lord, have mercy! May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary, That our sins and sorrows did carry,
And Thy blood for us plead
In all Trial, fear, and need: O Lord, have mercy!

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Let us pray.

Glory to You, O Lord, for the mercy You have shown to us, for the Word spoken in our midst, and for the Sacrament upon which we are fed the body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ. As You have gathered us here, we pray You to continue to gather Your people as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and shelter us in the comfort of Your love forevermore; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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 Savior, When in Dust to Thee *LSB* 419

Savior, when in dust to Thee Low we bow the adoring knee; When, repentant, to the skies Scarce we lift our weeping eyes; O, by all Thy pains and woe Suffered once for us below, Bending from Thy throne on high, Hear our penitential cry!

By Thy helpless infant years, By Thy life of want and tears, By Thy days of deep distress In the savage wilderness, By the dread, mysterious hour Of the insulting tempter's pow'r, Turn, O turn a fav'ring eye; Hear our penitential cry!

By thine hour of dire despair,
By thine agony of prayer,
By the cross, the nail, the thorn,
Piercing spear, and torturing scorn,
By the gloom that veiled the skies
O'er the dreadful sacrifice,
Listen to our humble sigh;
Hear our penitential cry!

By Thy deep expiring groan,
By the sad sepulchral stone,
By the vault whose dark abode
Held in vain the rising God,
O, from earth to heav'n restored,
Mighty, re-ascended Lord,
Bending from Thy throne on high,
Hear our penitential cry!

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Liturgist Dan Reh Lector Sam Shick

Prayers Alvaro Witt Duarte

Elders Al Bohannon & Earl Welch

Organist Suzanne Manelli

Ushers William Gebhart and Roger Schmidt

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Announcements

Saved to Share Called to Care

Our Response to God's Love Last Week

Attendance Sunday: 43 Offering: \$4,168.00

CONCORDIA SEMINARY AFTER CHAPEL CONCERT

SERIES The After Chapel Concerts are mini concerts featuring musicians from within and beyond the Seminary community. Concerts are held in the Chapel of St. Timothy and St. Titus directly following morning chapel services from 9:55 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Concerts are typically held in the chapel balcony. These concerts also will be streamed at cst.edu/live. Check out their website for a full schedule and details! The next concert is on Tuesday, March 15th featuring Laudamus.

IN VIEW OF GOD'S MERCY Join us for the Lent midweek 2 service (3/16/22 @ 6pm) in our In View of God's Mercy series for Lent, as we look at our lives through the lens of God's love toward us in the sacrifice of his Son, Jesus. In this service, we recall that no life is without suffering, but our sufferings are not worth comparing to the glory to be revealed to us in Jesus by God's great mercy. We will also be providing a soup supper before the service @ 5:30pm. We also encourage you to bring a side dish to share.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY for young adults between the ages of 18-30. The Bible Study will run from 5:30pm-7:30pm, and will include a pizza dinner (provided by St. Johns). Our next date being March 26th. If interested, please RSVP to stjohnslestl@gmail.com or call 314-773-0126 and let us know what your preferred pizza topping is.

VOTER'S MEETING There will be a Voter's Meeting today, March 13th @ 11:30am after Bible Study.

PASTOR ON VACATION Pastor Tanney will be gone from March 14th-March 20th. In the case of an emergency, please contact Al

Bohannon @ 314-401-0628

CFNA VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES Please join us in sharing Christ's love! Whether helping to sort or deliver donated items, taking someone to the grocery store or appointment, assisting International Institute with meeting families at the airport and helping take them to their hotel, etc., we have many opportunities for

Prayers

Special Prayer Petitions –For those infected by the corona virus for quick healing and recovery; Maureen Rehmer as she continues to battle congestive heart failure; Dennis Solomon for healing from bed sores; Lara from Oak Hill as she recovers from surgery; Dennis Schwab who is on hospice; Bobbie Kepford as we give thanks for her new home and the opportunity to invite others to chapel; Field-workers and Vicars; Nepali &

African Congregation blessings; EAGLE schools & Compass as they make decisions and care for the scholars.

Shut Ins – Bobbie Kepford, Dennis Solomon, Jerry Schmaltz, Carol Carr, Steve Bain, Maureen Rehmer, Eileen Wehrheim, Don Osiek

Opportunities to Love and Serve Christ this Week March 13-March 20

Sunday 9:00am Worship w/ Communion

10:30am Bible Study/Nepalese Worship

11:30am Voter's Meeting

12:30pm African Worship 8am-2pm Office Open

Monday 8am-2pm Office Open 3pm-6pm Compass

6pm Ladies Exercise Class

Tuesday 8am-2pm Office Open

3pm-6pm Compass

NO Seminary Students

Wednesday 8am-2pm Office Open

3pm-6pm Compass NO Compass Chapel 5:30pm Soup Supper 6:00pm Lenten Service

7pm ESL

Thursday 8am-2pm Office Open

NO Ridgewood Apartments Bible Study

3pm-6pm Compass

Friday 8am-1pm Office Open

NO Bible Study

2pm-6pm Compass

Saturday 8:30am Food Pantry

NO Vicar Meeting

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