

Septuagesima

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Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Welcome to Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church. We are a loving congregation who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and each other. We welcome you in the name of the Lord!

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an usher.

Altar Flowers would have been sponsored this morning by *Alma Rich* in memory of *Lauren*. Also, by *Ron and Kim Pickinpaugh* celebrating their grandson – *Sean's 4th birthday*.

WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

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| Today | Divine Service w/The Lord's Supper | 9:00 a.m. |
| | Online Bible Study | 7:00 p.m. |

Per Re-opening Plan other classes
are suspended at this time.

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday

Isaiah 55:10-13 † 2 Corinthians 11:19-12:9
† Luke 8:4-15 †
Sermon: Pastor Maggard

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Divine Service III - Abbreviated

Stand

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

who made heaven and earth.

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

O almighty God, merciful Father,

I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities 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.

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.

Amen.

Psalm Tone B



Introit

Psalm 18:1-2a, 27, 32 49

The cords of Sheol en- | tangled me;*

the snares of death con- | fronted me.

In my distress I called up- | on the LORD.*

From His temple He | heard my voice.

I love You, O | LORD, my strength.*

The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my de-
| liverer,

For You save a humble | people,*

but the haughty eyes | You bring down.

[You have] equipped | me with strength*

and made my way | blameless.

For this I will praise You, O LORD, among the | nations,*

and sing | to Your name.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen.

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord,
have mercy upon us.

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory be to God on high:

and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. We praise Thee, we
bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks

to Thee, for Thy 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 Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**

Sit

Old Testament

Exodus 17:1-7

¹ All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?"

³But the people thirsted there for water, and the people

grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" ⁴So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." ⁵And the LORD said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷ And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm Tone B



Gradual

Psalm 9:9-10, 18-19a

The LORD is a stronghold for | the oppressed,*
a stronghold in times of | trouble.

**And those who know Your name put their | trust in You,*
for You, O LORD, have not forsaken those who | seek
You.**

For the needy shall not always be for- | gotten,*
and the hope of the poor shall not perish for- | ever.

A- | rise, O LORD!*

Let not | man prevail.

²⁴Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it.

²⁵Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. ²⁶So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. ²⁷But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

10 For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ²and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand



Psalm Tone B

Tract

Psalm 130:1-4

Out | of the depths*

I cry to You, | O LORD!

O Lord, | hear my voice!*

Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for

| mercy!

If You, O LORD, should mark in- | iquities,*

O Lord, | who could stand?

But with You there is for- | givenness,*

that You | may be feared.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twentieth chapter.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 20:1-16

[Jesus said] ¹ “For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ ⁵So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ ⁷They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ ⁸And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.’ ⁹And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹²saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the

day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?’ ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first last.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord,
Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

**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 † of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day

Salvation Unto Us Has Come

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- 1 Salvation unto us has come
 By God's free grace and favor;
Good works cannot avert our doom,
 They help and save us never.
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone,
Who for all the world atone;
 He is our one Redeemer.

- 2 What God did in His Law demand
 And none to Him could render
Caused wrath and woe on ev'ry hand
 For man, the vile offender.
Our flesh has not those pure desires
The spirit of the Law requires,
 And lost is our condition.

- 3 It was a false, misleading dream
 That God His Law had given
That sinners could themselves redeem

And by their works gain heaven.
The law is but a mirror bright
To bring the inbred sin to light
That lurks within our nature.

4 From sin our flesh could not abstain;
Sin held its sway unceasing;
The task was useless and in vain,
Our guilt was e'er increasing.
None can remove sin's poisoned dart
Or purify our guileful heart-
So deep is our corruption.

5 Yet as the Law must be fulfilled
Or we must die despairing,
Christ came and has God's anger stilled,
Our human nature sharing.
He has for the Law obeyed
And thus the Father's vengeance stayed
Which over us impended.

6 Since Christ has full atonement made
And brought to us salvation,
Each Christian therefore may be glad
And build on this foundation.
Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead,
Your death is now my life indeed,
For You have paid my ransom.

7 Let me not doubt, but truly see
Your Word cannot be broken;
Your call rings out, "Come unto Me!"
No falsehood have You spoken.
Baptized into Your precious name,
My faith cannot be put to shame,
And I shall never perish.

- 8 The Law reveals the guilt of sin
 And makes us conscience-stricken;
But then the Gospel enter in
 The sinful soul to quicken.
Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live;
The Law no peace can ever give.
 No comfort and no blessing.
- 9 Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone
 And rests in Him unceasing;
And by its fruits true faith is known,
 With love and hope increasing.
For faith alone can justify;
Works serve our neighbor and supply
 The proof that faith is living.
- △10 All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise
 To Father, Son, and Spirit,
The God who saved us by His grace--
 All glory to His merit!
O triune God in heav'n above,
You have revealed Your saving love;
 Your blessed name we hallow.

Sermon

Pastor Maggard

Grace Singers - *Heaven's Rose*

Words and Music by Stan Pethel

In days of old the prophets spoke fortelling of a time
when hope would come, when peace would be,
and God's own light would shine.
That holy night in Bethlehem the God of Heaven
chose to send His Son, the Promised One,
Our Redeemer, Heaven's Rose.

From the highest heaven to such a lowly birth;
heav'nly love was given, a gift to all the earth,
with the Father's blessing, freely unto those before Him
now confessing, "This is Jesus, Heaven's Rose."

As shepherd's bow the angels sing, and stars shine ever bright;
The miracle, our destiny was born that wondrous night.
What mystery, what joy divine; we join with all of those
who sing through all of history, "This is Jesus, Heaven's Rose."

From the highest heaven to such a lowly birth;
heav'nly love was given, a gift to all the earth,
with the Father's blessing, freely unto those before Him
now confessing, "This is Jesus, Heaven's Rose."

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming, from tender stem has sprung;
of Jesse's lineage coming, as those of old have sung.
From the highest heaven to such a lowly birth;
heav'nly love was given, a gift to all the earth,
with the Father's blessing, freely unto those before Him now
confess,
"This is Jesus, Heaven's Rose," before Him now confessing,
"This is Jesus, Heaven's Rose," Heaven's rose, Heaven's Rose.

Stand

Offertory

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence,
And take not Thy Holy spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

Sit

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Stand

Prayer of the Church

let us pray to the Lord,
Lord, have mercy.

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
It is meet and right so to do.

It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising
You and saying:
**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are
full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the
name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

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.**

Words of Institution

Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

Agnus Dei

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us,

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Sit

Distribution

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

Amen.

Communion Hymn

Jesus Sinners Doth Receive

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- 1 Jesus sinners doth receive;
Oh, may all this saying ponder
Who in sin's delusions live
And from God and heaven wander!
Here is hope for all who grieve:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

- 2 We deserve but grief and shame,
Yet His words, rich grace revealing,
Pardon, peace, and life proclaim;
Here our ills have perfect healing.
Firmly in these words believe:
Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 3 Sheep that from the fold did stray
No true shepherd e'er forsaketh;
Weary souls that lost their way
Christ, the Shepherd, gently taketh
In His arms that they may live:
Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 4 I, a sinner, come to Thee
With a penitent confession.
Savior, mercy show to me;
Grant for all my sins remission.
Let these words my soul relieve:
Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 5 Oh, how blest it is to know:
Were as scarlet my transgression,
It shall be as white as snow
By Thy blood and bitter passion;
For these words I now believe:
Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 6 Now my conscience is at peace;
From the Law I stand acquitted.
Christ hath purchased my release
And my ev'ry sin remitted.
Naught remains my soul to grieve:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

7 Jesus sinners doth receive;
Also I have been forgiven;
And when I this earth must leave,
I shall find an open heaven.
Dying, still to Him I cleave:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.

Amen.

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
And His mercy endureth forever.

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, and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Lord be you,
And with thy spirit.

Bless we the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Lord Bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.
Amen, amen, amen.

Thank you to *Diane Kline, Debbie Schwartz, Carolyn Secor* and *Allan Dellinger* for sharing their blessing of song!

Daily Devotions

| Date | Old Testament | New Testament | Psalm |
|--------|------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Jan 31 | Zechariah 10:1-11:3 | 2 Timothy 3:1-17 | 135:1-7, 13-14 |
| Feb 1 | Zechariah 11:4-17 | 2 Timothy 4:1-18 | 28 |
| Feb 2 | Zechariah 12:1-13:9 | Titus 1:1-2:6 | 75 |
| Feb 3 | Zechariah 14:1-21 | Titus 2:7-3:15 | 47 |
| Feb 4 | Job 1:1-22 | John 1:1-18 | 127 |
| Feb 5 | Job 2:1-3:10 | John 1:19-34 | 31:1-2, 23-24 |
| Feb 6 | Job 3:11-26 | John 1:35-51 | 77:1-3, 7-12, 15 |

**Be strong, and let your heart take courage,
all you who wait for the LORD!**

Psalm 31:24

Serving Today

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|---------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Organist | <i>Gail James</i> |
| Elder | <i>Kurt Wampole</i> |
| Ushers | <i>Larry Adams, Bill Choske</i> |
| Communion Elder | <i>Richard Franzen</i> |
| Altar Guild | <i>Kathy Holm, Maletta Miller</i> |
| Greeters | <i>Bill and Judi Parker-Choske</i> |
| Counting Committee | <i>Bill and Judi Parker-Choske</i> |

Announcements

An updated Church Directory is available to pick up in the narthex.

Council Meeting is next Sunday, February 7th.

Voters Meeting is on Sunday, February 14th after service.

Ash Wednesday is February 17th. The service is at 7:00 p.m. at church.

The Elders meet at church on Thursday, February 18th at 7:00 p.m.

Prayer Requests -

Thank you for remembering our shut-ins: **Margaret Dickenson, Bette Howard, Larry Maudlin, Joyce McFarland, Evelyn Smith, Ruth Spies, and Joyce Waters.**

Prayers requested this week for: **The family of Janet Diekhoff; Dee Turquand's niece – Heather and family; Dolores Smith's friend – Pat Spindler; Richard Franzen's nephew – Jason and his wife, Tracy.**

A prayer of thanksgiving for Kevin and Laura Mitchell and Laura's mom – Barbara; Alma Rich's daughter – Dawn and her husband, Tim.

We keep in Prayer: **Tony Mantz and family; Richard and Pattie Lowe; Anthony and Tamara Mahomes; Terry Pickinpaugh; Mike and Betty Guinn; Glen and Gail James' friends – Chris, Sierra and their unborn child – Jack; Tamara Mahomes' friend – Zenida, best friend - Windy, Windy's son, Jason and his wife, Nikole and their unborn son; Bill Choske's co-worker – Fred and Fred's elderly mother – Joanne; Glen James' Aunt Jyrlene; Barbara Dellinger's dear friend – Pauline Johnson; Bill Choske's friend – Tim and his wife, Erin; Hannah and Mike Villasenor and their unborn daughter; Tamara Mahomes' friend - Vivian's son – Grant; Caitlyn Del Rio's best friend's family – especially, Azmoon; Carla Del Rio's friend – Maria; Barbara Dellinger's ex coworker – Paul Zinni; Nancy Telizyn's friend – Hilary and Hilary's mom – Helen; Dolores Smith's nephew – Jacob and his mom, Jenny; Don Sidoti's Uncle Douglas, Aunt Marge and family and unspoken prayers.**

We pray for all our troops overseas and their families and for our own young people in uniform: **Kurt Wampole Jr., Noah Nery, Jeremiah Hart, Jacob Livoni and Jacob Blanton.**