

Sexagesima

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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 *Joe and Patti Guerra celebrating their granddaughter – Kayla's 20th birthday!*

WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

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 35:3-7 † 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

† Luke 18:31-43 †

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.

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 God, the ſtrength of all who put their truſt in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended againſt all adverſity; 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

Isaiah 55:10-13

¹⁰“For as the rain and the ſnow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and ſprout, giving ſeed to the ſower and bread to the eater,

¹¹so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

¹²“For you shall go out in joy
and be led forth in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall break forth into singing,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

¹³Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall make a name for the LORD,
an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

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

Psalm Tone B



Gradual Psalm 83:18, 13
[Let Your enemies] know that You alone, whose name | is the
LORD,*
are the Most High over | all the earth.
O my God, make them like | whirling dust,*
like chaff be- | fore the wind.

Epistle **2 Corinthians 11:19-12:9**

¹⁹For you gladly bear with fools, being wise yourselves! ²⁰For you bear it if someone makes slaves of you, or devours you, or takes advantage of you, or puts on airs, or strikes you in the

face. ²¹To my shame, I must say, we were too weak for that! But whatever anyone else dares to boast of—I am speaking as a fool—I also dare to boast of that. ²²Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they offspring of Abraham? So am I. ²³Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one—I am talking like a madman—with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death. ²⁴Five times I received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. ²⁵Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I was adrift at sea; ²⁶on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers; ²⁷in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. ²⁸And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches. ²⁹Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to fall, and I am not indignant?

³⁰If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness. ³¹The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, He who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. ³²At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas was guarding the city of Damascus in order to seize me, ³³but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall and escaped his hands.

12 I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. ²I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Holy Gospel

Luke 8:4-15

⁴ And when a great crowd was gathering and people from town after town came to Him, [Jesus] said in a parable, ⁵ "A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the air devoured it. ⁶ And some fell on the rock, and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. ⁷ And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up with it and choked it. ⁸ And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold." As He said these things, He called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

⁹ And when His disciples asked Him what this parable meant, ¹⁰ He said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God, but for others they are in parables, so that 'seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.'" ¹¹ Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. ¹² The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. ¹³ And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away. ¹⁴ And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. ¹⁵ As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.

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

Preach You the Word

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- 1 Preach you the Word and plant it home
 To men who like or like it not,
The Word that shall endure and stand
 When flow'rs and men shall be forgot.
- 2 We know how hard, O Lord, the task
 Your servant bade us undertake:
To preach Your Word and never ask
 What prideful profit it may make.
- 3 The sower sows; his reckless love
 Scatters abroad the goodly seed,
Intent alone that all may have
 The wholesome loaves that all men need.
- 4 Though some be snatched and some be scorched
 And some be choked and matted flat,
The sower sows; his heart cries out,
 "Oh, what of that, and what of that?"
- 5 Of all his scattered plenteousness
 One-fourth waves ripe on hill and flat,
And bears a harvest hundredfold:
 "Ah, what of that, Lord, what of that!"

6 Preach you the Word and plant it home
And never faint; the Harvest Lord
Who gave the sower seed to sow
Will watch and tend His planted Word.

Sermon

Pastor Maggard

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.**

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

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

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- 1 In the cross of Christ I glory,
 Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
 Gathers round its head sublime.
- 2 When the woes of life o'er-take me,
 Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me.
 Lo, it glows with peace and joy.
- 3 When the sun of bliss is beaming
 Light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming
 Adds more luster to the day.
- 4 Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
 By the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure,
 Joys that through all time abide.

Communion Hymn #2

I'm But a Stranger Here

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- 1 I'm but a stranger here,
 Heaven is my home;
Earth is a desert drear;

Heaven is my home:
Danger and sorrow stand
Round me on every hand;
Heaven is my fatherland,
Heaven is my home.

2 What though the tempest rage,
Heaven is my home;
Short is my pilgrimage,
Heaven is my home:
And time's wild wintry blast
Soon shall be overpast;
I shall reach home at last,
Heaven is my home.

3 Therefore I murmur not,
Heaven is my home;
Whate'er my earthly lot,
Heaven is my home:
And I shall surely stand
There at my Lord's right hand:
Heaven is my fatherland,
Heaven is my home.

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.

Daily Devotions

Date	Old Testament	New Testament	Psalm
Feb 7	Job 4:1-21	John 2:1-12	4
Feb 8	Job 5:1-27	John 2:13-25	69:1-4, 8-9, 24, 29-30
Feb 9	Job 6:1-13	John 3:1-21	23:1-5
Feb 10	Job 6:14-30	John 3:22-4:6	38:1-3, 9-11,21-22
Feb 11	Job 7:1-21	John 4:7-26	147:1-3, 6-11
Feb 12	Job 8:1-22	John 4:27-45	71:1-6, 17-18
Feb 13	Job 9:1-35	John 4:46-54	95:1-7a

**Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!**

Psalm 95:6



All the following evening services will meet online and at church at 7:00p.m.

February 17th – Ash Wednesday
24th - Wednesday Midweek

March 3rd – Wednesday Midweek
10th – Wednesday Midweek
17th – Wednesday Midweek
24th – Wednesday Midweek

April 1st - Maundy Thursday
2nd - Good Friday
3rd - Easter Vigil Service

EASTER SERVICES – Sunday Morning

4th – Sunrise Service – 7 a.m.
Divine Service – 9 a.m.

Serving Today

Pianist	<i>Dolores Smith</i>
Elder	<i>Ron Pickinpaugh</i>
Ushers	<i>Mike Draney, Chuck Stringham</i>
Communion Elder	<i>Kurt Wampole</i>
Altar Guild	<i>Erin Maggard, Lynda Olson</i>
Greeters	<i>Ron and Kim Pickinpaugh</i>
Counting Committee	<i>Betty Guinn, Maletta Miller</i>

Announcements

➔ Council Meeting is today after the service.

➔ Pastor Holm's ordination anniversary is this Friday. God Bless You, Pastor Holm!

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

Worship Hymns are due on Monday, February 15th.

Newsletter Deadline is Tuesday, February 16th.

Ash Wednesday Service is on February 17th
at 7:00 p.m.

Elder Meeting is 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: **Family of James in his passing; Bill Choske's friend – Tim and family in the passing of his wife - Erin; Justin and Tiffany Izzo and their unborn son.**

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; 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.**