

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

During Lent, Lord, help us grow in faith, hope and love – “and the greatest of these is love”
(1 Corinthians 13:13, NRSV).

Wednesday, March 27, 2019 6:30pm

Fourth Wednesday in Lent

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

Opening Song “All in All”

You are my strength when I am weak You are the treasure that I seek
You are my All in All Seeking You as a precious Jewel
Lord to give up I’d be a fool You are my all in all.

(Chorus) Jesus Lamb of God! Worthy is your name!
Jesus Lamb of God! Worthy is your name!

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame Rising again I bless your name
You are my all in all When I fall down You pick me up
When I am dry You fill my cup You are my all in all. *(Chorus)*

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Litany

We are a questioning people.

Through questions we make sense of the world around us.

Questions challenge the way that we think.

Questions reveal our deep longings.

Questions leave us vulnerable

And reveal the things we do not know

Some questions are more difficult than others.

Jesus disrupts our comfort with uncomfortable questions.

Who do we say that Jesus is?

Why do we sleep, failing to pay attention to where Jesus is calling us?

Why do we sit in fear even as we proclaim Jesus our comfort?

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

In the questions, we experience Jesus in new and unexpected ways.

In the questions, Jesus is present.

As we struggle with the questions Jesus asks...

We trust that Jesus leads the way.

Prayer of the Day

Jesus, you are our God. You challenge us with difficult questions. Help us to listen to the ways and places the Holy Spirit is leading us. Teach us to listen and learn. Embolden us to understand the world in new ways, in the ways that you reveal through your love, your mercy, and the giving of yourself for the sake of the world. In your name we pray, Amen.

Psalm

Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good, for God’s mercy endures forever.

²**Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,**
³gathering them in from the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

²³**Some went down to the sea in ships, plying their trade in deep waters.**

²⁴They beheld the works of the LORD, God’s wonderful works in the deep.

²⁵**Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea.**

²⁶They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths; their souls melted away in their peril.

²⁷**They staggered and reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of no avail.**

²⁸Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD, and you delivered them from their distress.

²⁹**You stilled the storm to a whisper and silenced the waves of the sea.**

³⁰Then were they glad when it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor they desired.

³¹**Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love and your wonderful works for all people.**

³²Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people; in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

Gospel

Mark 4:35-41

³⁵On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“Why are you afraid?”
What are you afraid of?

Pastor Keith Garness

Song

“Sanctuary”

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for You.

It is You, Lord, who came to save the Heart and Soul, of everyone
It is You Lord, who knows my weakness, Gives me strength, from Your hand.

Lead me on Lord, out of temptation Purify me, from within
Fill my heart Lord with Your Holy Spirit Take away, all my sin.

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for You.

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Offering & Offertory Response

“Humble Thyself”

Text to Give: 605-250-6765

Lenten Offering will be divided between the Sandwich Ministry and ELCA World Hunger.

Prayers of the Church

Hospitalized/ill: JoAnn Urdahl, Diane Hane, Kerry Jorgenson, Carter Hansen, Kyleigh Hansen,
Starr Cole, Drake Rounds, Carmen Bakken, Eric Meyer,
Stan Peterson, Kathy Hibbert, Christine Walraven,
Avery West, *granddaughter of Deb Larson*
Brent Ireland, *nephew of Phyllis Bowersox*
Nancy Hauck, *mother of Jesse (Rachel) Hauck and Rachelle (Brandon) Johnson*
Josh Anderson, *grandson of Terri Bruner*
John Lahey-Wiggs, *brother of Chala (Tom) Lechner*
Jim Wiggs, *brother of Chala (Tom) Lechner*

Deaths: Daryl Hopkins, *father of Brian (Stephanie) Hopkins*
Avis Jeppesen, *sister of Jeanie Ochsendorf and aunt of Janelle (Toby) Wishard*
Lyle Little, *son of John & Jan Little*
Cathryn Borgen, *mother of Melissa (Craig) Meidinger*

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Sending Song

“Psalm 25”

To you O Lord I lift up my soul In you I trust Oh, Lord
To you O Lord I lift up my soul In you I trust Oh, Lord
Higher than the mountains deeper than the sea
Wider than the ocean is your love for me
You're with me on the mountains and the valley below,
You are right here beside me everywhere that I go!

Camp Song

Call to Service

Go in peace. Love and serve God and one another!
Thanks be to God.

Serving This Evening

Thank You to the Youth Music Team and Leaders

Head Usher: Curt Friedrichsen, Darwin Brinkman

Acolytes: Jonathan Fisk, Alexis Olson

Ushers:

Sound & Projection: Brian Bollinger, Robyn VanMeter

Sound Amplification Devices
and Large Print Bulletins
are available for your use.

Just ask an Usher.



Wednesdays during Lent

4:30pm Traditional Worship

4:55 – 6:15pm Family Meal served

6:30pm Worship led by Youth Music Team

April 3

“Were not 10 made clean? Where are the other 9?” Luke 17:11-19

Q: Whom would you like to thank, that you never did?

April 10

“Can you see anything?” Mark 8: 22 – 26 and Psalm 34

Q: How do you see differently because of your faith?