



Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

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3rd Week in Lent

Wednesday March 15, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

"If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me."

Matthew 16:24

Opening Song

"Here I am to Worship"

Light of the world you stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see

Beauty that made this heart adore you
Hope of a life spent with you

(Chorus) So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that you're my God

And you're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above

Humbly you came to the earth you created
All for love's sake became poor (Chorus)

(Bridge) And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross

And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross (Chorus x2)

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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Psalm

Psalm 1

Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,

Nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

But his delight is in the law of the Lord,

And on his law he meditates day and night.

He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season,

And its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. **Tune our hearts to listen to your voice, O God. Help us to discern which voices to listen to in our daily lives. Meet us in our places of need and longing, and inspire us to trust in your call upon our lives. In the name of ☩ Jesus, Amen.**

Children's Message

Pastor Overbo

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 35:4-10

A reading from Isaiah

Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Way of Holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it. It shall belong to those who walk on the way; even if they are fools, they shall not go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

New Testament Reading

Hebrews 12:1-3

A reading from Hebrews

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:24-26

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul?"

Sermon

"Cross Walk"

Pastor Overbo

Song of the Day

"Light the Fire"

I stand to praise you But I fall to my knees My spirit is willing But my flesh is so weak

(Chorus) Men:
So light the fire
In my soul
Fan the flame
Make me whole
Lord You know
Where I've been

Women: *Light the fire*
In my weary soul
Fan the flame
Make my spirit whole
Lord You know
Where I've been

All: So light the fire in my heart again

I feel your arms around me As the power of your healing begins
You breathe new life right through me Like a mighty rushing wind (Chorus x2)

Offering and Announcements

Text to Give: 605-250-6765

Noisy Can Offering (for all ages): Mission of the Month: ELCA World Hunger

Lenten Offering: Milestone Ministries

Prayers of the Church

Jesus, as you took up the cross for us,

Teach us to take up the cross and follow you.

Jesus, the Way, the Truth and the Life, for us you took up your cross to suffer and die for the sins of the world, for our sins, so that we will live forever in your presence. Jesus, as you took up the cross for us,

Teach us to take up the cross and follow you.

Jesus, the Way, the Truth and the Life, strengthen and preserve your faithful servants who suffer shame, imprisonment and even death for the sake of your Name. Jesus, as you took up the cross for us,

Teach us to take up the cross and follow you.

Jesus, the Way, the Truth and the Life, help us to walk in love as you walked. Let us deny ourselves and live in service to you by serving others. Jesus, as you took up the cross for us,

Teach us to take up the cross and follow you.

Amen.

Hospitalized/ill: *Makenna McDonnell, Ardell Johnson, Melanie Schroeder, Carl Hohnstadt*

Joan Zarro- Sister of Joyce (Marv) McGillivary,

Linda Olson- Cousin of Darla (Arlyn Adolphsen)

Elmer Brinkman- Friend of the Congregation

Brian Prbyl- cousin of Pam Luckhurst

Death: *Joyce Green- Grandmother of Elliot (Melissa) Muller*

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

Sending Song

“I’ll Do My Best”

Love I'll love I'll love You Lord with forever

Love I'll love I'll love You Lord forever

(Chorus) I'll do my best I'll do my best I'll do my best for You

I'll do my best I'll do my bes I'll do my best for You

Trust I'll trust I'll trust You Lord with forever

Trust I'll trust I'll trust You Lord with forever (Chorus)

Serve I'll serve I'll serve You Lord with forever

Serve I'll serve I'll serve You Lord with forever (Chorus)

Praise I'll praise I'll praise You Lord with forever

Praise I'll praise I'll praise You Lord forever (Chorus)

Thank I'll thank I'll thank You Lord with forever

Thank I'll thank I'll thank You Lord with forever (Chorus)

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Benediction

For this purpose Christ came and for this purpose he died: to bring salvation to all. May the Lord who brought salvation to all through the cross bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you his peace. Amen.

Call to Service

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please share the peace, as well as your name as you leave today.

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Serving this Evening:

Preaching & Presiding: Pastor Overbo; **Lenten Youth Music Team;** **Sound & Projection:** Roger Austad and Robbyn Givens; **Ushers:** Mike Butts and Curt Friedrichsen;



All that we have
belongs to God.

“The earth is the
Lord’s, and all that is
in it, the world, and
those who live in it”

Psalm 24:1

LCOOR

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER

The Weekly Word

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sundays in Lent

Unfinished: Discovering God's call in the not yet

Overview: We are not left alone to navigate this

unfinished life by ourselves. God is here – present-tense,

each and every day – calling to us, accompanying us,

renewing and recreating us – over and over again.

Lent 4 Called to Attentiveness (The Man born without Sight)

Lent 5 Called to Regret (Lazarus)

Wednesday Lenten Services

Lenten services will be held at 6:30pm each Wednesday

throughout Lent. The Lenten Youth Music Team will lead

these services. Wednesday Lenten offering will go

towards Milestone Ministries at LCOOR.

Week 3: Cross Walk

Week 4: Cross Word

Week 5: Cross Reference

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday (4/2):

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship w/ Holy Communion

10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship w/ Holy Communion

Maundy Thursday (4/6):

6:30 p.m. Worship Service

Good Friday (4/7):

6:30 p.m. Tenebrae Worship Service

Easter Sunday (4/9):

7:00 a.m. Easter Worship w/ Holy Communion

8:30 a.m. Easter Worship w/ Holy Communion

10:30 a.m. Easter Worship w/ Holy Communion

Salvation Army Needs

Our friends at the Salvation Army need canned fruit to

help feed our neighbors this month. Please consider

picking up a couple extra cans while you are shopping.

Drop these items off in Kathy's Kart at LCOOR -- and we

will deliver them to the Salvation Army. Thanks so much!

Spring Plants for Easter

Help beautify our sanctuary by purchasing an Easter

plant in memory or honor of a loved one or to the Glory

of God. Cost of each plant is \$20. Complete an Easter

Plant order form (found at the Welcome Center). Order

deadline is April 2nd. Please contact the church office if

you have questions.

March Mission of the Month

ELCA World Hunger- More than 820 million people in

our world today are hungry. ELCA World Hunger is

uniquely positioned to reach communities in need.

From health clinics to microloans, water wells to animal

husbandry, community meals to advocacy and beyond.

All Mission of the Month donations are intended to be

above and beyond your regular giving. Clearly mark your

offering "Mission of the Month."

February Mission of the Month Results

Lutherans Outdoors of South Dakota (LOSD) was the

Mission lifted up in February. \$908.23 was brought in

through offering and Noisy Can. They also received

\$1,000 that was budgeted for this mission. THANK YOU

for supporting LOSD camping ministries.

Craft Night- Spring Gumball Machine

Join us at LCOOR Tuesday, March 28 at 6:30 p.m. for a

fun seasonal craft! \$15 covers all supplies. Sign-up at the

Welcome Center or church office. See Facebook for

more info. Sign-up deadline is March 24th. Prepayment

is required.

A NEW Look- HS Youth Group

Instead of our weekly Sunday night gatherings, we will

now have Wednesday night High School hang-out time

from 7:15-9:00 pm. The youth room will be available to

hang out, watch some TV or to even have a study group.

The Great Hall will also be available for games and

activities. Drinks and snacks will always be available (for

a small cost). HS Hang-out will take place on March 22 &

29.

Sound & Projection Sign-up

If you are a member of the Sound & Projection Team,

please consider signing up to serve at Lenten & Holy

Week services. Let Robbyn know if you are interested in

serving or sign-up online at lcoorwatertown.org +

Ministry + Worship & Music Opportunities + Sound &

Projection Sign-up for Lent & Holy Week.

Pre-Kindergarten Enrolling Now!

Now enrolling for the 2023-2024 School Year. Our

preschool offers a Monday-Thursday 8:30-11:30 Pre-

Kindergarten (4/5 year old) program, which is open to

anyone, not just church members. Enrollment forms are

at the Welcome Center, the classroom, or online.

March 15 - March 22

Attendance & Offering

Wednesday March 15

No Preschool- Spring Break
8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
4:45 p.m. Community Meal
6:30 p.m. Lenten Worship
7:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
7:15 p.m. HS Hang Out
7:30 p.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal

Thursday March 16

No Preschool- Spring Break
9:00 a.m. Quilting
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
2:00 p.m. Communion at Edgewood
3:00 p.m. Communion at Stoneybrook
5:15 p.m. Al-Anon (Grace Alone)

Friday March 17 🌱

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
9:00 a.m. Quilting
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
Church Office Closes at Noon

Saturday March 18

5:30 p.m. Traditional Worship (Lay Led)

Sunday March 19

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship w/ Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship w/ Holy Communion

Monday March 20

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
4:00 p.m. HS Coffee & Conversations @ LCOOR
6:45 p.m. Al-Anon (Grace Alone)

Tuesday March 21

10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Group
11:00 a.m. Text Study
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday March 22

April Newsletter Deadline
8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
4:45 p.m. Community Meal
5:30 p.m. Church School
6:30 p.m. Lenten Worship
7:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
7:15 p.m. HS Hang Out
7:15 p.m. 7/8 Confirmation Workshop
7:30 p.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal

March 5 Live Stream- 116

Saturday, March 11 - 42

Sunday, March 12- (8:30) 188; (10:30) 58

Wednesday, March 8- 252

Offering (3/5):

General Fund: \$17,678; **Church School:** \$34.20; **Mission of the Month:** \$115.97; **Debt Reduction:** \$215; **Lent:** \$87; **Other:** \$90

Simply Giving Offering (2/27-3/3):

General Fund: \$12,126.07; **Debt Reduction:** \$81.52; **Mission of the Month:** \$80; **Other:** \$298.61;

Serve

There are many ways to serve your congregation each month including volunteering before, during and after worship services. During the month of February, we had 154 slots to fill including greeters, ushers, lectors, communion assistants and coffee servers. We were able to fill 54.9% (84) of those available slots. Please consider signing up to serve by contacting Twila in the church office or sign up online at lcoorwatertown.org --> Serve --> Volunteer at Worship in March.

Staff

Senior Pastor

Dan Overbo

Associate Pastor

Laura Overbo

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Robbyn Givens

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