

## **The Second Sunday in Lent**

*Though we sometimes doubt and often resist God's desire to protect and save us, our God persists. In holy baptism, God's people have been called and gathered into a God-initiated relationship that will endure. Lent provides the church with a time and a tradition in which to seek God's face again. Lent provides another occasion to behold the God of our salvation in the face of the Blessed One who "comes in the name of the Lord."*

### ***Our Saviour Lutheran Church***

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***March 13, 2022, 9:00 A.M.***

**All are welcome here**  
*All people of faith, All people of doubt*  
*All people of any origin, race, ability, sexual orientation or gender expression*  
*All people who seek a compassionate community*

**All are welcome here**  
*Welcome to worship, Welcome to pray*  
*Welcome to learn, Welcome to give thanks*  
*Welcome to serve God and neighbors*

**All are welcome here**  
*All are redeemed by a gracious God*



(Please read this before worship begins.)

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I cannot say what Communion is any better than Luther, so I'll let him say it. In the Small Catechism Luther writes the following, and more in The Sacrament of the Altar.

*What is the Sacrament of the Altar?*

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, under the bread and wine, for us Christians to eat and to drink, instituted by Christ Himself.

*What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?*

This is shown by the words: "Given and shed for you for the remission of sins." In the Sacrament, forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given to us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

*How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?*

It is not the eating and drinking that do these things, but these words: "Given and shed for you for the remission of sins." These words are, along with the bodily eating and drinking, the main thing in the Sacrament. Anyone who believes these words has what they say: that is, the forgiveness of sins.

- As we travel this wilderness of COVID-19, it is right and proper for us to participate in the Eucharist as we are gathered as the church in person, as well as live streaming. Holy Communion takes place in the assembly of the Body of Christ.
- Online Communion is new territory for us as we navigate our new context. After reading Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions, after much prayer and discernment, I believe this technology should be used in such manners to share God's grace, love, forgiveness and acceptance.
- As we assemble in person or live stream, when confessions are heard and forgiven, as the Word is proclaimed, it is proper for Communion to take place as we are then sent out as the Body of Christ for the world. I ask you to only commune as the live Word is spoken and not commune to the recording of this service.
- Please use bread and wine or a gluten free option and grape juice. Please prepare a plate and cup prior to service to have and share. If you have one and not the other, know that God is fully present in both elements and only one is necessary.
- God is the One working through the spoken Word in the mystery of communion. We don't fully know how, rather we know Jesus said, "Take, eat; this is My body," ... "Take this and drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. Do this, as often as

you drink it, in remembrance of Me.” God is the source of love infused into us through the Spirit as we partake of the Eucharist. We don’t understand it fully; we fully believe Christ is there fulfilling His promises of forgiveness, life and salvation.

Remember: All Are Welcome – Hospitality fills God’s Table – Everywhere!

Pastor Randy

## *The Gathering*

### **Prelude Music**

*O God, You Search Me*, Text and Music by Bernadette Farrell (Julie Huetteman, keyboard; Sara Behnke, flute)  
*Around You, O Lord Jesus*, Arr. Anne Krentz Organ and Arr. Rachel Trelstad Porter

### **Call to Worship** (From suggestions by Barn Geese)

- IC Siblings in Christ:  
long ago, God laid the foundation of this place  
a geology shaped by glaciers.  
The formation of this land  
would later attract its people  
and it fixed richness in the soil,  
and water in the Wabash River.  
God gathers us in a place shaped by nature.
- C **We are here.**
- P In this place,  
the Potawatomi, Delaware, Miami and Shawnee people found plenty,  
planting corn and hunting white-tailed deer,  
until white settlers forced them to leave or disappear.  
The Native Americans shaped this place.  
Broken treaties and erasure have too.  
God gathers us in a place shaped by history.
- C **We are here.**
- IC In 1955, in this place fifteen people in West Lafayette  
petitioned the Indiana Synod of the ULC to establish a mission congregation.  
Old schools were converted into our meeting places  
until we built a home on the edge of Purdue’s campus.  
Tied together by hope, by the university,  
and by one baptism in Jesus Christ,  
OSLC and PLM have worked together since the 1960s.  
God gathers us in a place shaped by God’s desire.
- C **We are here.**
- P In this place,  
God has gathered us:  
to marvel at God’s power over creation;  
to lament humanity’s abuse of the earth and one another;  
to remember our past;  
to hope for our future.  
This hope will not disappoint us,  
because God is here.
- C **God is here!**

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

P Beloved, as we gather in this place to worship,  
we acknowledge that we are part of a complicated history.

C **How can we bear the paradox of this place  
as both a source of pride and a record of mistakes?**

P Friends, here is the font.

C **In the waters of baptism,  
God cleansed us and claimed us.**

P God binds God's word  
to this abundant element  
precisely to tell us  
that there is no place  
where we are apart from God's grace.

This reminder is everywhere:  
It is in the waters of the Wabash.

It sprays from our showers.

It makes tea kettles whistle.

It is in our very cells.

So I invite you to make the sign of the cross,  
on your brow or on your body,  
or on that of your neighbor.

As you do,

you proclaim what is true  
everywhere and always:

God is here!

C **God is here! Amen!**

## Gathering Song: ELW 831, verses 1 & 4: *The God of Abraham Praise*



1 The God of A - br'ham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove;  
2 The God of A - br'ham praise! At your su - preme com - mand  
3 The God of A - br'ham praise! Your all - suf - fi - cient grace  
4 Your prom-ise you have sworn; I on your oath de - pend.



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love—  
from earth I rise and seek the joys at your right hand.  
shall guide me all my pil - grim days in all my ways.  
I shall, on ea - gle wings up - borne, to heav'n as - cend.



“I Am the One I Am”— by earth and heav'n con - fessed;  
I all on earth for - sake— its wis - dom, fame, and pow'r—  
You deign to call me friend; you call your - self my God!  
I shall be - hold your face; I shall your pow'r a - dore,



I bow and bless the sa - cred name for - ev - er blest.  
and you my on - ly por - tion make, my shield and tow'r.  
And you will save me to the end through Je - sus' blood.  
and sing the won - ders of your grace for - ev - er - more.

Text: Thomas Olivers, 1725–1799, alt., based on the Yigdal, c. 14th cent.  
Music: YIGDAL, Jewish melody; arr. Meyer Lyon, 1751–1797

## Greeting

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

C **And also with you.**

## Kyrie



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.



Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

## Prayer of the Day

IC O God, you are our Protector, of whom should we be afraid? In the shadow of the cross, you have built a refuge for all from the slings of sin and death. You are the shelter that truly shields us. Yours is the embrace that fully claims us. You, and nothing else, are the stronghold of our life.

C **Amen.**

## *The Word*

L A reading from the book of Genesis.

### Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

*God promises a childless and doubting Abram that he will have a child, that his descendants will be as numerous as the stars, and that the land of Canaan will be their inheritance. Abram's trust in God is sealed with a covenant-making ceremony, a sign of God's promise.*

<sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup>But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." <sup>4</sup>But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup>He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

<sup>7</sup>Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." <sup>8</sup>But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" <sup>9</sup>He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." <sup>10</sup>He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. <sup>11</sup>And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

<sup>12</sup>As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

<sup>17</sup>When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. <sup>18</sup>On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 27

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life;  
of whom shall I be afraid?

<sup>2</sup>When evildoers assail me  
to devour my flesh —  
my adversaries and foes —  
they shall stumble and fall.

<sup>3</sup>Though an army encamp against me,  
my heart shall not fear;  
though war rise up against me,  
yet I will be confident.

<sup>4</sup>One thing I asked of the LORD,  
that will I seek after:  
to live in the house of the LORD  
all the days of my life,  
to behold the beauty of the LORD,  
and to inquire in his temple.

<sup>5</sup>For he will hide me in his shelter  
in the day of trouble;  
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;  
he will set me high on a rock.

<sup>6</sup>Now my head is lifted up  
above my enemies all around me,  
and I will offer in his tent  
sacrifices with shouts of joy;  
I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

<sup>7</sup>Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud,  
be gracious to me and answer me!

<sup>8</sup>"Come," my heart says, "seek his face!"  
Your face, LORD, do I seek.

<sup>9</sup>Do not hide your face from me.  
Do not turn your servant away in anger,  
you who have been my help.  
Do not cast me off, do not forsake me,  
O God of my salvation!

<sup>10</sup>If my father and mother forsake me,  
the LORD will take me up.

<sup>11</sup>Teach me your way, O LORD,  
and lead me on a level path

because of my enemies.

<sup>12</sup>Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries,  
for false witnesses have risen against me,  
and they are breathing out violence.

<sup>13</sup>I believe that I shall see the goodness of the LORD  
in the land of the living.

<sup>14</sup>Wait for the LORD;  
be strong, and let your heart take courage;  
wait for the LORD!

L A reading from the book of Philippians.

### Philippians 3:17-4:1

*Although Paul's devotion to Christ has caused him to be persecuted, he does not regret the course he has taken. Writing from prison, he expresses confidence in a glorious future and encourages other Christians to follow in his footsteps.*

<sup>17</sup>Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup>For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>21</sup>He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. <sup>4:1</sup>Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation



Noth-ing in all cre - a - tion can sep - a - rate us from the love of God.



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P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

### Luke 13:31-35

*Neither Herod's plotting nor Jerusalem's resistance to maternal love will deter Jesus from his sacrificial mission.*

<sup>31</sup>At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus,] "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." <sup>32</sup>He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures

today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. <sup>33</sup>Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.’ <sup>34</sup>Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! <sup>35</sup>See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, ‘Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.’”

P The Gospel of our Lord.  
 C Praise to you, O Christ.

**Children’s Sermon**

**Sermon**

**Pastor Randy Schroeder**

**Hymn of the Day: ACS 1082: O God, You Search Me**



1 O God, you search me and you know me.  
 2 You know my rest - ing and my ris - ing.  
 3 Be - fore a word is on my tongue, Lord,  
 4 Al - though your Spir - it is up - on me,  
 5 For you cre - at - ed me and shaped me,



All my thoughts lie o - pen to your gaze.  
 You dis - cern my pur - pose from a - far,  
 you have known its mean - ing through and through.  
 still I search for shel - ter from your light.  
 gave me life with - in my moth - er’s womb.



When I walk or lie down you are be - fore me:  
 and with love ev - er - last - ing you be - siege me:  
 You are with me be - yond my un - der - stand - ing:  
 There is no - where on earth I can es - cape you:  
 For the won - der of who I am, I praise you:



ev - er the mak - er and keep - er of my days.  
 in ev - ’ry mo - ment of life or death, you are.  
 God of my pres - ent, my past, and fu - ture, too.  
 e - ven the dark - ness is ra - dian in your sight.  
 safe in your hands, all cre - a - tion is made new.

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## Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Prayers of Intercession

A Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

A You gather the church into a community of mercy and grace. Unify Christians around the globe in efforts to proclaim good news even in the face of opposition and to protect those whose lives are imperiled by the gospel. Merciful God,

**C receive our prayer.**

A You create the entire universe and call it good. Hinder those who would cause further destruction to our planet's fragile ecosystems, and augment the calls of those who advocate for thoughtful stewardship of the earth's resources. Merciful God,

**C receive our prayer.**

A You raise up leaders committed to love and justice. Nurture in those who govern patience to receive criticism, openness to new ideas, and courage to change course when needed for the sake of the common good. Merciful God,

**C receive our prayer.**

- A You hear us when we cry to you. Attend to those expecting a child, and console those who have experienced miscarriage. Comfort veterans enduring post-traumatic stress. Shield those endangered by domestic violence. Uphold those who are ill or grieving especially Candy, Jason, Fil, Shirley & Eric, Rosalie, Jeff, Denise, Janet, Helmut & Carol, Kim, Victoria, Jennifer, Jeanette, Suzanne, Mike M, Shelby, Eric M, Joan, Jill Y, Mike G, David O, Gary, Kevin N, Randy Y, Jody T, Dean, Vera's family, Olga, Nikolai, Artiom, Tanya, Timur, Milana, Yelena, Yuri, Nancy, and Robert N. Merciful God,
- C **receive our prayer.**
- A You kindle faith that moves us into action. Guide children and adults preparing for baptism or confirmation. Empower Sunday school teachers, confirmation leaders, and parents who share their faith with younger generations. Give us all a renewed sense of vocation. Merciful God,
- C **receive our prayer.**
- A You welcome us into your heavenly realm. We give thanks for those whose labors on earth are ended and who now rest with you. On the final day, gather all of us, with them, in your loving arms. Merciful God,
- C **receive our prayer.**
- P Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.
- C **Amen.**

**Peace**

- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C **And also with you.**

*The Meal*

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- Please have your wine and bread ready for the Meal. It would be best to use grape juice or wine and a small portion of bread or gluten free option for the Eucharist.
- Please participate by lifting the bread and the wine as the pastor lifts the bread and wine.
- If everyone in the family is healthy please take the time to commune each other; presenting the bread first and saying, “the Body of Christ given for you” and then the wine/juice saying, “the Blood of Christ shed for you.” If you’re not feeling well, please commune yourself as you are able.
- The elements (bread and juice or wine) should be consumed in their entirety or returned to the earth as once they are consecrated they are the Body and Blood of Christ. Please do not throw Jesus in the trash or down the drain.

**As we prepare to receive Holy Communion, please read the following:**

For today’s distribution of Holy Communion, after the Invitation to the Table, the presiding pastor will invite the worship assistants (lector, assisting minister, Intern Candice, ushers) to commune behind the altar. The presiding pastor will then commune those worshipping via Zoom and those in the sanctuary who wish to commune in their pews. Then the presiding pastor will commune those who wish to come up to the altar while the Lamb of God is played. Thank you for your patience as we acknowledge the awkwardness of experiencing something different in worship. God is with us in this meal. God is also with us as we experiment with new worship practices.

## Offering

Please feel free to send your regular tithes in the mail, drop it off to the church office or if you have not checked out our website and the "Your Offering Made Easy" tab, this could be your opportunity. (John Mills is available to answer any questions about the Vanco Online giving option if you wish to contact him. His email address is [john\\_r\\_mills@icloud.com](mailto:john_r_mills@icloud.com)).

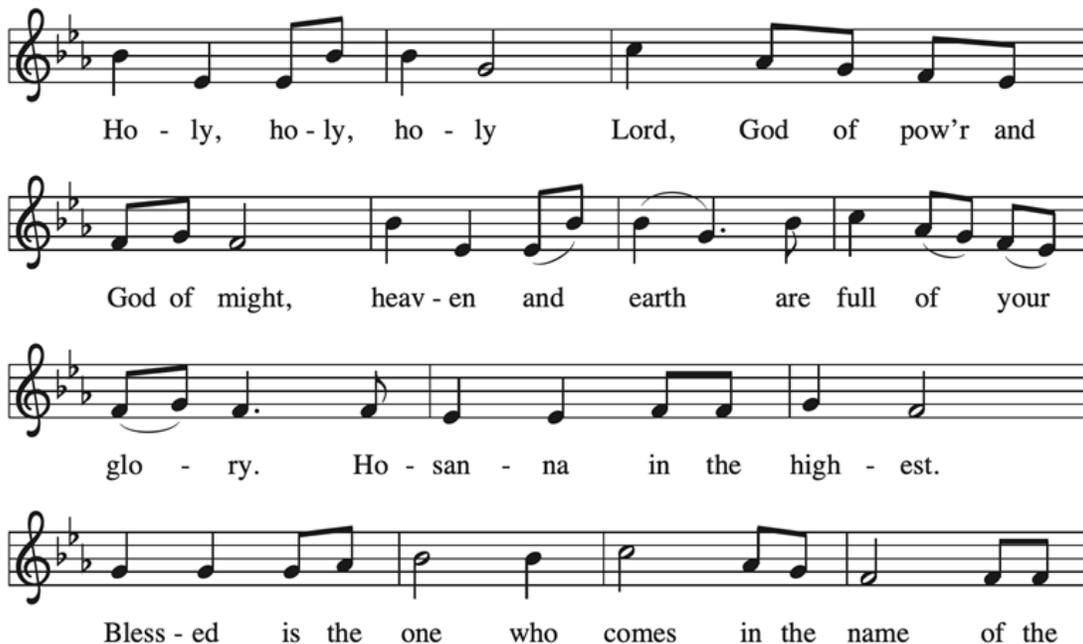


## Offering Prayer

- A God, there's nowhere we can go  
where you aren't already waiting:  
in the vineyard, in the grainfield,  
in the places where we live and work,  
and most especially at this table,  
where your Son has promised to meet us;  
where he is both Host and Meal.  
Reveal yourself to us now.
- C **Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

- P The Lord be with you.  
C **And also with you.**
- P Lift up your hearts.  
C **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
- P It is indeed right to thank you and praise you everywhere and always, Almighty God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ; through whom and with whom  
you have entered every place, even into human flesh.
- So with every place that has known your presence:  
with earth and sea and sky,  
with unseen lands and familiar homes,  
with cosmic expanse and creaturely bodies,  
we praise your name and join the unending hymn



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and  
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the



P Mighty Fortress, you are here.  
 The stronghold of your love pervades our sacred stories:  
 you sheltered prophets and psalmists, and protected Abram and Sarai,  
 bringing them over many miles and many doubts to rest their faith in you.  
 But most of all, you sent Jesus, a mothering hen, whose arms outspread on the cross  
 became sheltering wings for your beloved people.

P In the night in which he was betrayed,  
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering this table, the cross, the empty grave,  
 we await his coming in glory and proclaim the mystery of faith:

C **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P Send your Spirit upon these gifts.  
 Holy Wisdom, pervade every corner of this place  
 and every crevice of our hearts.

C **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

P Bring us at last with all the saints  
 to the stronghold of your new creation,  
 where we may meet your glory face to face.

To you, O God, Mighty Fortress, Mothering Hen, Sheltering Spirit,  
 be all worship and praise, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

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

### The Lord's Prayer



your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.

Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we

for-give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al

and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,

and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

### Invitation to Communion

P So come to this table, which now extends into our homes, you who have faith and you who would like to have faith; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed; come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

### Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on

us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the

world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Hymn: ELW, hymn 808, verses 1, 2, 3: *When Twilight Comes*



1 When twi-light comes and the sun sets, moth - er hen pre-pares for  
2 One day the Rab - bi, Lord Je - sus, called the twelve to share his  
3 So gath-er round once a - gain, friends, touched by fad - ing glow of



night's rest. As her brood shel-ters un - der her wings, she  
last meal. As the hen tends her young, so for them he  
sun's gold, and re - count all our frail hu - man hopes: the



gives the love of God to her nest. Oh! what joy to  
spent him - self to seek and to heal. Oh! what joy to  
dreams of young and sto - ries of old. Oh! what joy to



feel her warm heart - beat and be near her all night long;  
be with Christ Je - sus, hear his voice, oh! sheer de - light,  
pray close to - geth - er, kneel-ing as one fam - i - ly,



so the young can find re - pose, then re - new to - mor - row's song,  
and re - ceive his ser - vant care: all be - fore the com - ing night.  
by a moth - er's love em - braced in the bless-ed Trin - i - ty.

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P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen,  
keep and unite us, now and for ever.  
C Amen.

**Prayer after Communion**

A Blessed Jesus,  
in this rich meal of grace,  
you have fed us with your body, the bread of life.  
Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope  
to a world in need.  
C Amen.

## The Sending

### Sending Hymn: ELW 613: *Thy Holy Wings*



1 Thy ho - ly wings, O Sav - ior, spread gent-ly o - ver me,  
2 Oh, let me nes - tle near thee, with - in thy down-y breast  
3 Oh, wash me in the wa - ters of No-ah's cleans-ing flood.



and let me rest se - cure - ly through good and ill in thee.  
where I will find sweet com-fort and peace with - in thy nest.  
Give me a will - ing spir - it, a heart both clean and good.



Oh, be my strength and por - tion, my rock and hid - ing place,  
Oh, close thy wings a - round me and keep me safe - ly there,  
Oh, take in - to thy keep - ing thy chil - dren great and small,



and let my ev - 'ry mo - ment be lived with-in thy grace.  
for I am but a new - born and need thy ten - der care.  
and while we sweet-ly slum - ber, en - fold us one and all.

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### Blessing

**P** Go with the blessing of God.  
Remember that this blessing follows you,  
no matter the places  
to which you are called.  
Remember that this blessing waits for you,  
even where you least expect to find it.  
Be blessed in the name of God,  
who inspires, inhabits, and ignites us,  
today and every day.

**C** Amen.

### Dismissal

**A** Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stick around; the zoom meeting will continue with a virtual "Coffee Hour." All are welcome.*

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**Worship Assistants Today:** Julie Huetteman & Sara Behnke (Musicians), Dick Rahdert (Assisting Minister), Peter Bunder (Lector), Kathy Heise (Cantor), Ted Heise (Usher), Mike Williams (A/V & Livestream Specialist), Matt Ohland (Assistant to Mr. Williams)

**Adult Forum Today:** Missy Schroeder and Julie Stegelmann will be sharing with us about the good work that takes place at Pathways Retreat in Goshen, Indiana. Missy and Julie are both Spiritual Directors, and Pathways is "a spiritual retreat center for Rest, Reflection and Renewal" where much of their work is lived out. You'll definitely want to hear the interesting things they have to share with us!

**We collect toiletries (travel size) to donate to the homeless shelter.** The basket for your donations is in the narthex. (Look beneath the buffet.)

**Our sanctuary is served by a hearing loop.** Wearers of hearing aids should turn their aids to the setting marked T, or T-coil, or Telephone.

**Donations for PLM:** Our students are back and in need of food. Due to COVID concerns some of our students are choosing not to dine in the dining halls. They have asked if we could have more substantial items as well as snacks. However, instead of asking for actual food donations, we are asking for monetary donations so that we can get specific items for our students. (A few students have dietary needs and we would like to support all our students.) If you are able, please give a monetary donation with the word "food" in the memo line, or visit our webpage [www.plm.org](http://www.plm.org) and go to the donation tab and make a donation there with the word "food" and help us feed our students. Thank you so much for your generosity and support of PLM.

**Lenten Devotionals** are available on the wooden table in the narthex.

**Wednesday Lenten Lunch Services** begin March 9, 12:15-12:45pm in person and on Zoom (same Zoom invite as the one for Sunday mornings)



**Sermon questions from Barn Geese Worship: Rev Emily Trubey-Weller:**

How does Jesus keep inviting us to reenter God's own stronghold, as God did with Abram? How are we called to offer the Church as a stronghold to a hurting and vulnerable world?

## Upcoming Commemorations

### Patrick, bishop, missionary to Ireland, died 461 Thursday, March 17, 2022

A native of Britain, Patrick was kidnapped by pirates at age sixteen and sold into slavery in Ireland. After a few years, he escaped, returned home, and entered the ministry. Returning to Ireland, he successfully served as a bishop and missionary there.

### Joseph, Guardian of Jesus Saturday, March 19, 2022

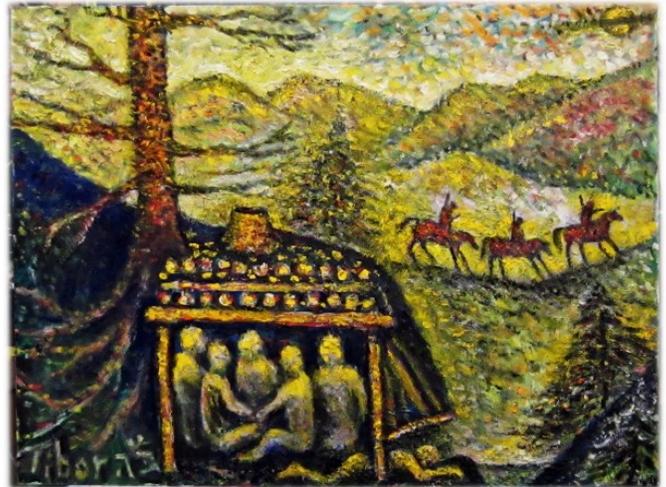
Though the Bible tells us little about the husband of Jesus' mother Mary, we know that he was a carpenter or builder by trade. He is also shown as being devoted both to God and to Mary and Jesus. It is assumed that he died before Jesus became an adult.

The 41st Greater Lafayette Holocaust Remembrance Committee is pleased to announce "The Art Cured Me!" - a virtual discussion with 92-year-old artist **Tibor Spitz**, a Holocaust survivor.

DATE: Thursday, April 7, 2022  
TIME: 7pm -8:30pm EST

Register here: <http://glhrc.org/>  
(The Zoom link will be emailed to registrants the week of April 7.)

Tibor Spitz was a 10-year-old growing up in Slovakia when the Holocaust began for his family. Schools in his village were closed to Jews, and as he explains, one right or privilege after another was taken from the Jewish community. After deportations began in 1942, Tibor and his family escaped to the forest where the five of them huddled in an underground box that Tibor's brother had engineered. The family survived the brutal winter and avoided capture for 200 days, emerging only at night to forage.



Following the war, Tibor became a chemical engineer. Sent to Cuba by the Communist regime, he sought asylum in Canada. Today, he lives in New York with his wife, Noemi, who is also a Holocaust survivor.

Tibor is an accomplished artist; the subject matter of his work is predominantly the Holocaust. "The Art Cured Me!" he says. Tibor Spitz's presentation of his WWII experience is heavily illustrated with his artwork and speaks to human resilience in a time of adversity and to the healing power of the arts.

After Tibor's presentation, there will be a live audience Q&A led by Rebekah Klein-Pejšová, Associate Professor of History and Jewish Studies, Purdue University.

