



Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

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2nd Week in Lent

Wednesday March 8, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

“As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up.”

John 3:14

Opening Song

“To Be Alive”

(Chorus) To be alive Is to live the love that is alive

In God’s saving son who brought us back From a life of death To be alive

There is nothing I can do to save me Only God carries us home

So we live mercy hope and freedom Loving another to be whole (Chorus)

Join the singing join the celebration Jesus lives we are restored

Love alive giving and forgiving Loving another to be whole (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 51

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. **O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Children’s Message

Old Testament Reading

Numbers 21:4-9

A reading from Numbers

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." Then the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord and against you. Pray to the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

New Testament Reading

Romans 3:21-25

A reading from Romans

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins.

Gospel Reading

John 3:14-17

And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Sermon

"Cross Road"

Phillip Lickei

Song of the Day

"You Are My 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 jew'l

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 x3)

Offering and Announcements

Text to Give: 605-250-6765

Noisy Can Offering (for all ages)

Lenten Offering: Milestone Ministries

Prayers of the Church

As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness,

Jesus, Son of God and Son of Man, you were lifted up for us.



Son of God and Savior of the world, you were lifted up on the cross to suffer and die for us. As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness,

Jesus, Son of God and Son of Man, you were lifted up for us.

Son of God and Savior of the world, teach us to turn to you in repentance and in you find healing from the poison of sin. As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness,

Jesus, Son of God and Son of Man, you were lifted up for us.

Son of God and Savior of the world, help us to lift up your cross before others so that they will come to believe and receive in you the gift of eternal life. As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness,

Jesus, Son of God and Son of Man, you were lifted up for us.

Amen.

Hospitalized/Ill: *Melanie Schroeder,*

Joan Zarro- Sister of Joyce (Marv) McGillivray

Joyce Green- Grandmother of Elliot (Melissa) Muller

Death: *Doug Triplett- Father of Julianne (Todd) Decker*

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

“You Are Holy (Prince of Peace)”

Verse (MEN LEAD /WOMEN ECHO)

You are holy (*You are holy*) You are mighty (*You are mighty*)

You are worthy (*You are worthy*) Worthy of praise (*Worthy of praise*)

I will follow (*I will follow*) I will listen (*I will listen*)

I will love You (*I will love You*) All of my days (*All of my days*)

(Chorus) I will sing to and worship the King who is worthy

And I will love and adore Him And I will bow down before Him

And I will sing to and worship the King who is worthy

And I will love and adore Him And I will bow down before Him

You're my Prince of Peace And I will live my life for You

(Verse -MEN LEAD /WOMEN ECHO)

You are Lord of lords You are King of kings You are mighty God Lord of ev'rything

You're Emmanuel You're the Great I Am You're the Prince of Peace who is the Lamb

You're the living God You're my saving grace You will reign forever You are Ancient of Days

You are Alpha Omega Beginning and End You're my Savior Messiah Redeemer and Friend

You're my Prince of Peace And I will live my life for You

You're my Prince of Peace And I will live my life for You (Verse- Men Lead/Women Echo) (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: Phillip Lickei; **Lenten Youth Music Team;** **Sound & Projection:** Brian Bollinger and Robbyn Givens; **Ushers:** Mike Butts and Burt Andersh;



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”

Psalms 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 3 Called by God (Woman at the Well)

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 2: Cross Road

Week 3: Cross Walk

Week 4: Cross Word

Week 5: Cross Reference

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.

March Meals on Wheels

LCOOR volunteers deliver Meals on Wheels every 10 weeks – and we are always looking for additional volunteers. The next dates will be March 13-17. Please contact Twila at 605-886-2696 if you would like to be added to our list of helpers.

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 15, 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 8 - March 15

Wednesday March 8

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
9:30 a.m. Priscilla Circle
4:45 p.m. Community Meal
5:30 p.m. Church School
6:30 p.m. Lenten Worship
7:15 p.m. 7/8 Confirmation Workshop
7:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
7:15 p.m. HS Hang Out
7:30 p.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal

Thursday March 9

5:15 p.m. Al-Anon (Assembly B)

Friday March 10

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
Church Office Closes at Noon

Saturday March 11

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

Sunday March 12

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship
9:30 a.m. Church School
10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship

Monday March 13

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
2:00 p.m. Martha Circle
4:00 p.m. HS Coffee & Conversations @ LCOOR
6:45 p.m. Al-Anon (Assembly B)

Tuesday March 14

11:00 a.m. Text Study
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. Executive Committee
7:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting

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

Attendance & Offering

Feb. 19 Live Stream- 240
Saturday, Feb. 25 - 44
Sunday, Feb. 26- (8:30) 227; (10:30) 108
Wednesday, March 1- 125 (YouTube) ❄️

Offering (2/26):

General Fund: \$3,788; Church School: \$21.10;
Mission of the Month: \$139.84; Debt
Reduction: \$40; Ash Wednesday: \$87;

Simply Giving Offering (2/20-2/24)

General Fund: \$4,960.03; Debt Reduction:
\$30; Mission of the Month: \$130; Other:
\$104.49;

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
Worship & Music Coordinator
Robbyn Givens
Welcoming & Caring Ministries
Twila Schmitt
Christian Education Director
Rachel Clendenin
Youth Director
Philip Lickei
Business Manager
Jodi Spilde
Business Administrative Assistant
Megan Thyen
Preschool
Nikki Landmark, Director/Teacher
Wendy Kruger, Paraprofessional
Facility Manager
Adam Lauseng

CRAFT NIGHT

Spring GUMBALL MACHINE

LCOOR Craft Night

When: Tuesday,
March 28 @6:30 pm

Cost: \$15 all supplies will
be provided.

It's time to get creative here at Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer. Mark your calendars, call your friends and get ready for this fun seasonal craft! Please sign-up by March 24th to reserve your spot!

Payment is required by cash or check at the time of sign-up.

*Children under 14 must be accompanied by an adult.

