



Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

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Ash Wednesday

Wednesday Feb. 22, 2023, 12:15 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

"Let us test and examine our ways, and return to the Lord!"

-Lamentations 3:40

Prelude

Lenten Voluntaries

Welcome

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Remember the mission of Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer by

Making God Known Through Word and Deed.

Opening Hymn

"Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow"

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Psalm

Psalm 32

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.

For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

Confession and Forgiveness

Let us confess our transgressions to the Lord, asking him to forgive us and to cover our sins with the blood of his Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

Almighty God, we daily sin against you in our thoughts, words and actions. We try to excuse ourselves from our sins and blame others for what we have done. We listen to the temptations of Satan, of the world around us and of our own sinful desires. We are lost and cannot help ourselves. Have mercy on us and forgive us.

In mercy and love God sent his Son to be our Savior. Jesus suffered and died on the cross for the sins of the world, for your sins and mine. He rose from death to defeat the power of sin and death.

For the sake of Jesus and by his command, I announce to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Psalm

Psalm 32

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.

Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

Hymn of the Day

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

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Imposition of Ashes

Old Testament Reading

Job 1:5-12

A reading from Job.

⁵And when the feast days had run their course, Job would send and sanctify them, and he would rise early in the morning and offer burnt offerings according to the number of them all; for Job said, "It may be that my children have sinned, and cursed God in their hearts." This is what Job always did.

⁶One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them. ⁷The LORD said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the LORD, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." ⁸The LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil." ⁹Then Satan answered the LORD, "Does Job fear God for nothing? ¹⁰Have you not put a fence around him and his house and all that he has, on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land. ¹¹But stretch out your hand now, and touch all that he has, and he will curse you to your face." ¹²The LORD said to Satan, "Very well, all that he has is in your power; only do not stretch out your hand against him!" So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD.

New Testament Reading

1 John 1:5-9

A reading from 1 John.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Gospel Reading

Luke 15:1-7

¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." ³So he told them this parable: ⁴Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

Sermon

"Cross Examine"

Pastor Overbo

Prayers of Intercession

Prayers of the Church

Hospitalized/Ill: *Mara Lukonen, Ardell Johnson, Herb Loterbauer, Melanie Schroeder*

Doug Triplett- Father of Julianne (Todd) Decker

Joan Zarro- Sister of Joyce (Marv) McGillivray

Offering and Announcements

Text to Give: 605-250-6765

Noisy Can Offering (for all ages) Mission of the Month: Lutheran Outdoors

Lenten Offering: Christian Education Milestone Ministries

Communion

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Thanksgiving at the Table

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.

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.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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.**

Sending Hymn

“The Glory of These Forty Days”

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Postlude

“Near the Cross” (arr. Hustad)

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Serving This Evening

Preaching: Pastor Overbo; **Organist:** AJ Sherrill; **Sound & Projection:** Roger Austad (12:15) and Brian Bollinger (6:30); **Ushers:** Darwin Brinkman (12:15) Mike Butts, Burt and Barb Andersh (6:30); **Communion Assistants:** Confirmation Class (6:30)

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 1 Called to Values (Temptation)

Lent 2 Called to Openness (Nicodemus)

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)

Lenten Services

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22nd with worship at **12:15** and **6:30 p.m.** Ash Wednesday worship will include communion and imposition of ashes. Subsequent Lenten services will be held at 6:30pm each Wednesday throughout Lent. The Lenten Youth Music Team will lead at 6:30 p.m. services.

Ash Wednesday: Cross Examine

Week 1: Cross Out

Week 2: Cross Road

Week 3: Cross Walk

Week 4: Cross Word

Week 5: Cross Reference



MS Merge & Route 56

For the month of February, we will meet on Sunday, February 26th. We will gather at the church at 3:00 pm and be done at 4:30 pm. It's time for camp! We will be doing some super fun camp activities, games and wonderful treats will be on deck for the afternoon. Wear your camping gear! As always, friends are welcome.

February Mission of the Month

Lutherans Outdoors of South Dakota provides opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to connect with one another, which leads to a stronger faith foundation and much more! Wear your 'camp' swag on February 26 & March 1.

Cookies for Sandwich Ministry

Sandwich ministry is in need of cookies. We have cookie kits available for pick up at the welcome center or church office. You are also welcome to bake your own and bring them in.

Thank you!

Thank you to all who have helped with the Strategic Plan. Team members Todd Decker, Codi Martin, Gary Grewing, Dana Stimson, Dan Albertsen, Kerry Stager and Justin Hanson have been and continue to work diligently in forming and shaping our core values and priorities.

Children's Church

This special ministry is provided on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month at both services & is geared toward children ages 3-2nd grade. Please contact Robbyn in the church office at 886-2696 or robbyn@lcoorwatertown.org if you would like more information or to volunteer.

January Mission of the Month Results

Nicaragua Partner Ministry (Missionary) and Nicaragua Youth Retreat were lifted up in January for our Mission of the Month. \$877 was brought in through offering and Noisy Can. THANK YOU for your support of these Nicaraguan missions.

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 Pre-K classroom, or online.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Join Pastors Dan & Laura and experience the land of the Bible (July 6-16, 2023). Travel on a unique Holy Land experience and journey to Israel and Petra in Jordan on a spiritual combination tour of a lifetime. Visit with Pastor Dan or Pastor Laura for more information.

Mission Project for February-LWR Fabric Kits

- 2 spools of neutral-colored, general purpose thread, 250-300 yards each
- 2 pieces of cotton or cotton-blend fabric (no knits or 100% polyester).

Each piece should match one of the sizes below:

- 2 1/4 yards of 60" wide fabric
- 3 yards of 44" wide fabric
- 4 yards of 36" wide fabric

Wrap one piece of fabric and spools of thread inside the other piece of fabric, ensuring nothing will fall out. Secure with yarn, ribbon, string or rubber bands. Fabric Kit Instructions can be picked up at the Welcome Center & church office or you can go to <https://lwr.org/kits> for the instruction sheet.

THIS WEEK: Feb. 22 to March 1

WEDNESDAY Feb. 22 Ash Wednesday

12:15 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship
4:45 p.m. Community Meal
5:30 p.m. Church School
6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship
7:15 p.m. 7/8 Confirmation Workshop
7:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY Feb. 23

10:00 a.m. Book Club
5:15 p.m. Al-Anon (Assembly B)

FRIDAY Feb. 24

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

SATURDAY Feb. 25

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

SUNDAY Feb. 26

*Camp Sunday- **Wear your camp gear/swag!***

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship
9:30 a.m. Church School
10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship
3:00 p.m. MS Merge/Rt. 56
5:00 p.m. HS Youth Music Team Practice
6:00 p.m. HS Youth Group

MONDAY Feb. 27

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
2:00 p.m. Maple Place Communion
6:45 p.m. Al-Anon (Assembly B)

TUESDAY Feb. 28

11:00 a.m. Text Study
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. Worship & Music Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY March 1

*Camp Wednesday- **Wear your camp gear/swag!***

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
12:15 p.m. Men's Lunch
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

Attendance & Offering

Feb. 5 Live Stream– 212

Saturday, Feb. 11 – 59

Sunday, Feb. 12– (8:30) 222; (10:30) 101

Wednesday, Feb. 8– 178

Offering (2/12):

General Fund: \$12,302; **Church School:** \$13;
Mission of the Month: \$49.31; **Debt Reduction:**
\$170; **Other:** \$300; **SD Synod Rural Ministry**
Liaison Program: \$222;

Simply Giving Offering (2/6-2/10)

General Fund: \$5,163.22; **Debt Reduction:** \$130;
Mission of the Month: \$34.78; **Other:** \$134.14;

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