

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

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1st Week in Lent

Wednesday March 1, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

"As far as east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us."

Psalm 103:12

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 103

The Lord works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.

He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him. For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us 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

Pastor Overbo

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 1:16-18

A reading from Isaiah

Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause. "Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

New Testament Reading

Ephesians 4:31—5:2

A reading from Ephesians

Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. Therefore, be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 6:9-15

Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses."

Sermon "Cross Out" Pastor Overbo

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

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

Text to Give: 605-250-6765

Prayers of the Church

As far as east is from the west,

So far have you removed our transgressions from us.

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Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, you suffered and died to pay the penalty for our sins. As far as east is from the west,

So far have you removed our transgressions from us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, teach us by your Spirit to forgive others as you have forgiven us. As far as east is from the west,

So far have you removed our transgressions from us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, help us to walk in love as you loved us and gave yourself for us. As far as east is from the west,

So far have you removed our transgressions from us.

Amen.

Hospitalized/Ill: Mara Lukonen, Melanie Schroeder

Joan Zarro- Sister of Joyce (Marv) McGillivary
Joyce Green- Grandmother of Elliot (Melissa) Muller

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

Dean Thompson- Father of Rod (Shellie) Thompson

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

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)

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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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 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)

Wednesday Lenten Services

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. Wednesday Lenten offering will go towards Milestone Ministries.

Week 1: Cross Out

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."

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.

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. Facebook for more info.

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

HS Youth Group will have a new look starting in March! Instead of our weekly Sunday night gatherings, we will now have the youth room and great hall available for Wednesday night High School hang-out time. This will take place from 7:15 (following Wednesday worship) until 9:00 pm. The youth room will be available for getting together to just hang out or to watch some TV or to even have a study group. The Great Hall will also be available for various games and activities. Drinks and snacks will always be available (for a small cost) as will hot chocolate and cappuccino. Bring some friends and join us for some awesome fellowship! HS Hangout will take place on March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29.

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 6-19, 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.

Serve Your Congregation- Help Needed during Lenten & Holy Week Services

There are many extra services throughout Lent and during Holy Week which offer many more opportunities to serve. Even if you are not scheduled to serve this month; please consider signing up online at www.lcoorwatertown.org \rightarrow Serve \rightarrow Volunteer at Worship in March...or contact Twila in the church office. Also, if you are a member of the Sound & Projection Team, please consider signing up to serve at these services. Let Robbyn know if you are interested in serving this important ministry or sign-up online at www.lcoorwatertown.org \rightarrow Ministry \rightarrow Worship & Music Opportunities \rightarrow Sound & Projection Sign-up for Lent & Holy Week.

THIS WEEK: March 1 to March 8

WEDNESDAY March 1

Camp Wednesday- Wear your camp gear/swag!

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. 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 2

9:00 a.m. Quilting

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

FRIDAY March 3

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

Church Office Closes at Noon

SATURDAY March 4

5:30 p.m. Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

6:30 p.m. Saturday Evening Meal

SUNDAY March 5

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

9:30 a.m. Church School

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

2:00 p.m. Prairie Coteau Conference Assembly

MONDAY March 6

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

4:00 p.m. HS Coffee & Conversations @ LCOOR

6:45 p.m. Al-Anon (Assembly B)

TUESDAY *March* 7

10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Group

11:00 a.m. Text Study

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

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

Attendance & Offering

Feb. 12 Live Stream - 144

Saturday, Feb. 18 – 45

Sunday, Feb. 19- (8:30) 183; (10:30) 67

Wednesday, Feb.

Offering (2/19):

General Fund: \$6,708; Church School: \$12.15; Mission of the Month: \$278.50; Debt Reduction:

\$30; Other: \$300;

Simply Giving Offering (2/13-2/17)

General Fund: \$10,710.06; Debt Reduction: \$65; Mission of the Month: \$60; Other: \$259.49;

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