

# ST. LUKE'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH 10:30 a.m.

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We are affiliated with the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC).

## QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY

**50th Day before Easter**

Ruth Wiechmann, organist

February 14, 2021

### WELCOME!

*"Behold, we go up to Jerusalem." --- Luke 18:31*

### ORDER OF SERVICE:

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**Hymn 540** With the Lord Begin Thy Task

**EPISTLE: I Corinthians 13 1-13** New Testament Greek has three different words for **love**—1) *philia*, natural love, within a family; 2) *eros*, intimate love; 3) *agape* (pronounced ah-gah-pay), a love that sacrifices self without any obligation to do so. A-ga-pe love is the love described in our reading. It is the love that the Lord has for sinners and that Christians are directed to have toward one another. To love others without Christ's a-ga-pe love in our hearts is valueless before God.

**PSALM 8**, p. 27 "O Lord, How Excellent Is Your Name in All the Earth!"

**GOSPEL: Luke 18:31-43** Jesus said to His disciples, "Behold, we go up to Jerusalem." Jesus knew this trip to Jerusalem would bring His suffering, death, and resurrection, all for the salvation of sinners! The disciples did not grasp it. On the way, Jesus compassionately healed a blind man. The blind man, in simple faith, did grasp that Jesus was the Promised Savior! ---- This week we enter the Lenten season. During the six weeks ahead, we also "go up to Jerusalem" with our Savior. We review the precious events and Truths of Christ's Passion. Through personal Bible readings and joint worship, we ponder, though inadequately, our Savior's sacrifice to rescue us from our sins. May He open our spiritual eyes, blinded by sin, to see His love, forgiveness, and salvation!

### APOSTLES' CREED

**Hymn 798** God, We Praise You!

**SERMON: Romans 10:1-11**  
**ZEAL APART FROM CHRIST--**  
**MISDIRECTED ZEAL**

*Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved. For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.*

*For Moses writes about the righteousness which is of the law, "The man who does those things shall live by them."*

*But the righteousness of faith speaks in this way, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven' (that is, to bring Christ down from above) or 'Who will descend into the abyss' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead)?"*

*But what does it say? "The Word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith which we preach): that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame."*

Prayers and Lord's Prayer

**Hymn 380** Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ

Benediction

**Hymn 376** Rock of Ages!

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THE -GESIMA SUNDAYS: SEPTUAGESIMA, SEXAGESIMA, QUINQUAGESIMA. These unusual names for Sundays are passed down to us from the church of the Middle Ages. They are Latin names for the Sundays on the traditional church calendar that fall between Transfiguration Sunday (last Sunday of Epiphany season) and the beginning of Lent. The words mean 70th, 60th, and 50th, respectively; and the Sundays fall approximately 70, 60, and 50 days before Easter. The names are similar to our English words septuplets, sextuplets, and quintuplets. This year we celebrate only one of the three Gesima Sundays—Quinquagesima.

ST. LUKE'S VIDEOS OF SERVICES: If you are unable to be at worship, please find our service at St. Luke's Facebook page.

SEEKING MEMBERSHIP BY CONFESSION OF FAITH: Jenn Kolb has completed her study of the teachings and confessions of the CLC drawn from Scripture. Jenn stands on the same page as St. Luke's. She requests membership. Reception by Confession of Faith is planned.

**SCHEDULE:**

02/17 ASH WEDNESDAY 7:00 pm. (upstairs).  
02/21 Sun. 10:30 Worship with COMMUNION 9:30 B.Class & S.Sch.  
02/24 Wed. Midweek LENT 2 7:00 pm. (upstairs)  
02/28 Sun. 10:30 Worship 9:30 B.Class & S.Sch.  
03/03 Wed. Midweek LENT 3 7:00 pm. (upstairs)  
03/07 Sun. 10:30 Worship with COMMUNION 9:30 B.Class & S.Sch.

**TIME OF EASTER WORSHIP:** Easter is April 4<sup>th</sup>. There will be no Easter brunch this year. The voters will decide today whether worship will be at 7:00, at 10:30 regular time, or both. Pastor Kanzenbach is agreeable to any. Easter is the high point and foundation of our Christian faith--Jesus died for our sins and rose again for our victory!

**SPECIAL MEETING after SERVICE:**

1. Determine time(s) for Easter Sunday worship
2. Correct un-intentional error in the motion for pastor's 2021 salary.
3. Decide whether to invite ILC Tour Choir

**POSSIBLE ILC TOUR CHOIR CONCERT:** Prof. John Reim is seeking interested congregations for Tour Choir concerts this spring. NOTE:

It is not necessary that the concert be presented at the church.  
The time frame would be March 13-21  
Singers will stay in motels rather than in members' homes (distancing).  
Fast-food restaurants may be used, instead of eating at church.  
(*Final Note: This is Prof. Reim's last tour choir, due to retirement..*)

**WE THANK FEBRUARY CHURCH CLEANERS!**

L. Bubbers, C. Hourigan, D. Wenner, K. Christman

**MISSION OPPORTUNITIES PRAYER LIST:** Please see the bulletin insert prepared by our traveling missionary Pastor Todd Ohlmann.

**CALL NEWS:**

**Teacher Andrew Roehl**, Eau Claire, WI, has returned the call to serve as principal and teacher at Grace, Sleepy Eye, MN.

**Teacher Nathan Wales**, West Columbia, SC, has been called to serve as principal and teacher at Grace, Sleepy Eye, MN.

## LORD'S PRAYER

### **C: Our Father, who art in heaven.**

Lord, You are our Father in heaven. We approach as Your dear children, because You have made us, and also You have lovingly adopted us, sinners that we are, into Your family through Christ our Savior. We come with childlike boldness and trust, bringing our requests to Your heart.

### **C: Hallowed be Thy name.**

Father, we ask that Your name be honored, respected—hallowed—among us. May we not use your names to curse and swear. May we likewise honor Your “name,” Your good name and reputation, by teaching the Bible correctly, and by living in the ways that do not discredit You.

### **C: Thy Kingdom come.**

Father, we not only look forward to the bliss of entering heaven, but we also ask that Your kingdom come to us while we are living. For it is through the Word and the work the Holy Spirit, that sinners enter the peace and joy of Your family in Christ—Your Kingdom. May Your kingdom come to us and to many others.

### **C: Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

Father, we know that Your “will”—all the things You cause to happen—is always for our best. In Your perfect love, power, and wisdom, You steer all things to bring us to Jesus and lead us safely to heaven. Stop the works of the devil, the world around us, and our own sinful flesh, which seek only our eternal harm.

### **C: Give us this day our daily bread.**

Father, Thank You for all that You give us, providing for our body and life, much more that we can ever grasp or acknowledge. Teach us not to worry and fret about tomorrow. You care for the birds and the flowers; You certainly care each day for Your redeemed children. Help us to be willing to share.

### **C: And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

Father, we admit we cross Your forbidden line, disobey, miss the target, and sin. We do what we should not, and do not do what we should. For Jesus' sake who was punished for us, please pardon us and our sin, even the original guilt with which we were born. Father, lead us willingly to forgive others.

### **C: And lead us not into temptation.**

Father, we know that You do not tempt us to do wrong. We ask that you would hold tight to our hands, lest we are taken-in by all lures and enticements of Satan and this world. Give us strength through Your Word of Christ, so that we put on the full armor of God, fight, and win the victory in Jesus.

### **C: But deliver us from evil.**

Father, we ask that You rescue us from all the physical, psychological, emotional, and spiritual evils that beset us. When “harm” does strike, help us to know that in Christ all things work together for good to those who love God. In death, deliver us, taking us from this sad world to the joy of heaven!

### **C: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.**

Father, we do not bring these requests because we are so deserving, but You care for us Body and soul now and forever. Therefore, we lay this prayer before Your heart with all confidence: Let it be so! This is Truth! Amen!

### **C: Amen!**