

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Divine Worship 9:30am
Sunday School/Bible Study. . . . 10:40/10:50am

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LENT FOUR

March 14, 2021

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

Psalm: 38 (TLH Pg. 132)
Prayers: 48 (TLH Pg. 107); **57** (TLH Pg. 107)
Organist: Mr. Walter Priebe
HYMNS: 140 329 652 145

PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 140 - "Jesus, I Will Ponder Now"

THE ORDER OF MORNING SERVICE (TLH Pg.5ff.)

The Invocation... The Confession of Sins... Absolution, -- "Amen."
 The Introit... The Gloria Patri (Pg. 6) ...The Kyrie (Pg. 7).

**Enslaved by sin and bound in chains, Beneath its dreadful tyrant sway,
 And doomed to everlasting pains, We wretched, guilty captives lay.**

**Nor gold nor gems could buy our peace, Nor all the world's collected
 store Suffice to purchase our release; A thousand worlds were all too
 poor.**

**Jesus, the Lord, the mighty God, An all-sufficient ransom paid. O
 matchless price! His precious blood For vile, rebellious traitors shed.**

**Amazing goodness! Love divine! Oh, may our grateful hearts adore The
 matchless grace nor yield to sin Nor wear its cruel fetters more!**

The Salutation (Pg. 9) ...The Collect -- "Amen."

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: NUMBERS 21:4-9

⁴Then they journeyed from Mount Hor by the Way of the Red Sea, to go
 around the land of Edom; and the soul of the people became very
 discouraged on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against
 Moses: "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the
 wilderness?"

CLC CALL NEWS

Faith Lutheran School in Markesan WI has called Jessica Krueger to be
 upper grade teacher. Jessica is a member of Faith who presently is
 teaching in the public school. Jessica has accepted the call of Faith
 Lutheran School. • Pastor David Schaller has accepted the call of the CLC
 Call committee for Educational Institutions to serve as Professor at
 Immanuel Lutheran High School and College in Eau Claire Wisconsin. •
 Immanuel Lutheran School in Winter Haven, FL has called Matthew Kranz
 of Immanuel Lutheran in Mankato, MN to be the second full-time teacher.
 • Grace, Sleepy Eye, MN has called Nathan Wales of West Columbia SC
 to be principal and teacher. • Redeemer in Cheyenne Wyoming has put in a
request/call for the Seminary Graduate. • Immanuel Lutheran in
 Mankato, MN, has called Eric Libby to the Assistant Principal/Counselor
 position and also called Kevin Schrader to the High School Math and
 Science position. These positions were open after the resignations of the
 former Assistant Principal/Counselor and Science Teachers, respectively.

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2021

The Cooperative Budget Plan (CBP) is a pledge established by the Voters of
 Calvary to participate in the work of the Church of the Lutheran Confession.
 The amount given to 'Missions' on your church envelope goes to this pledge.
 In the event that our offerings fall short of our pledge, the difference will be
 taken from the Calvary General Fund. In the event that our offerings exceed
 our pledge, additional funds will be placed in the General Fund.**

Amount Pledged 2021	Received as of 3/7/2021	Amount Remaining
\$5000.00	\$1,185.00	\$3,815.00

CLCI SEMINARY STUDENT SPONSORSHIP - \$40/MO

APRIL 2023 GOAL	RECEIVED 3/7	MAY 2023 GOAL
\$15.00	\$50.00	\$5.00

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – Calvary Offerings 3/3 & 7/2021

General Fund	Loose Offerings	Missions/CBP	CLCI Sem Student	ILC SAF
\$1460.00	\$73.00	\$155.00	\$50.00	\$20.00

Offerings Total: \$1,758.00

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 James Version, © 1982 by Thomas Nelson Publishers. All rights reserved.

HOME DEVOTIONS FOR MARCH 15-20, 2021

Monday - Numbers 21:4-9 The good LORD intended to detour His people around Edom and not trample over their cousins (descendants of Esau), but that didn't sit well with people who saw the detour as more tedious miles and further months of bland manna. So they needed and received another dose of God's tough love, bringing them to repent (4-7). Then God provided an anti-venom serum that was free, available, no standing in line or making an appointment for a dose of God's curative: just open your eyes and heart to God's cure for Satan's poison, as per Genesis 3:14-15.

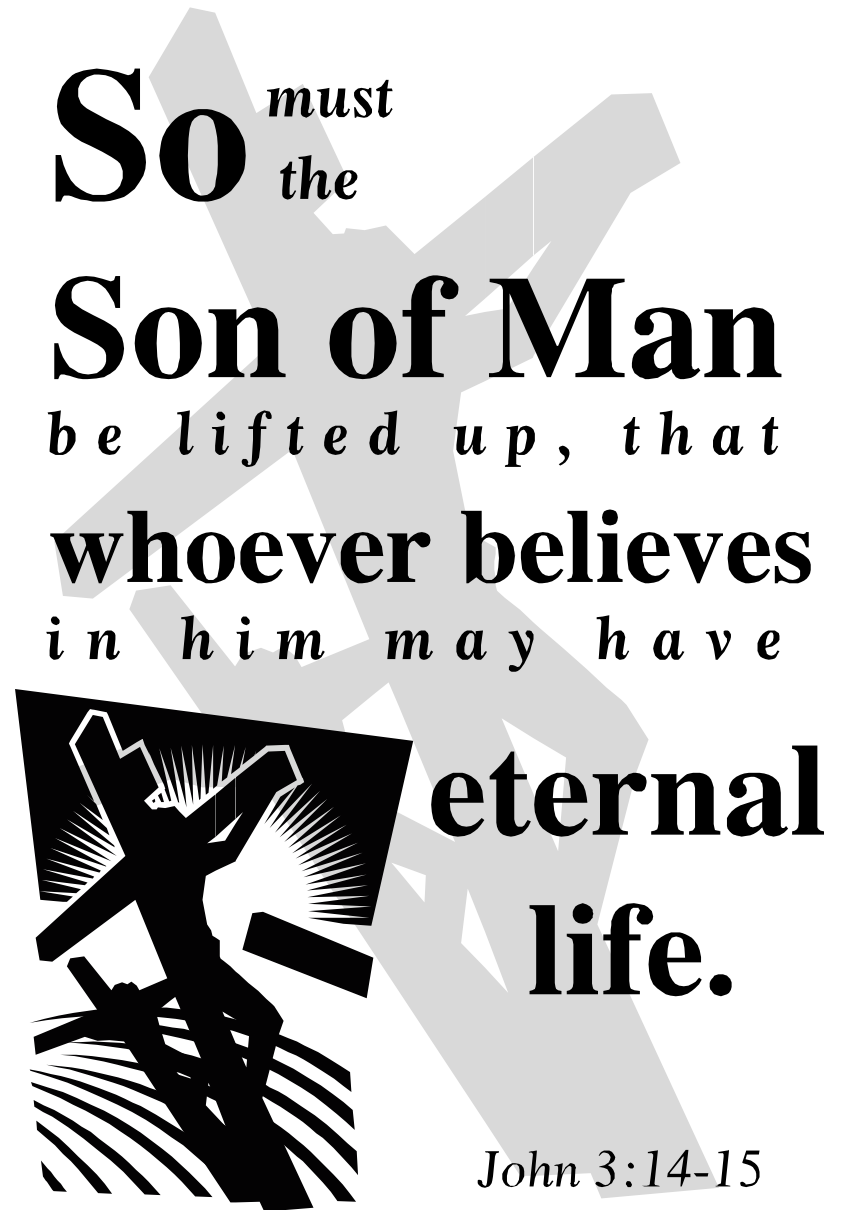
Tuesday - John 3:14-21 Nicodemus failed to make the connection, so Jesus made it for him (and for us) – that the brass serpent was an image of Jesus Himself, who would be lifted up in the wilderness of sin, who is God's antidote to Satan's poison, who can save souls from perishing in pain, and who is able to bestow eternal life. Let's trust God on this -- Jesus saves!

Wednesday - Ephesians 2:4-10 Who is responsible for saving lost souls? God. But why does God bother? Because He *is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses*. Really? Yes, God *had compassion* on corpses and resolved to *make us alive together with Jesus and raise us up from the grave together with Jesus and make us sit together with Jesus in heaven*. **Together with Jesus** all the way!!

Thursday - Psalm 38 David lets us eavesdrop on this conversation with the LORD, and what he has to say about himself makes us cringe (1-8). We see that his soul is being tugged first one way—and then the other way (9-14), but we also see that he can't let himself be torn away from the LORD (15-20). "LORD God, I need Your help! Help me! HELP!"

Friday - John 12:27-36 Jesus lets us eavesdrop on this prayer to His Father, and we hear that He felt depressed in heart and soul. He was pressured to the point of asking: "Is there an easier way out for Me, easier than horrific crucifixion?" But that would sabotage everything – so Jesus let it rest under the umbrella "*Glorify Your name*." That is, "No matter how unbearable things get for ME, I want Your good name to be honored by what I do." I thank You, dear Savior, for bearing the unbearable for me.

Saturday - Acts 22:17-21 God had rescued Saul/Paul from his death spiral, but he needed more stabilizing -- so Jesus set him straight about putting his past behind him, avoiding confrontation with hostile Jews in Satan's backyard, but rather pack his duffel bag and go far afield into foreign lands to bring non-Jews into touch with God's redeeming love via Jesus Christ. Stay tuned for further developments.



So *must*
the
Son of Man
be lifted up, that
whoever believes
in him may have
eternal
life.

John 3:14-15

HOLY WEEK/EASTER SUNDAY SCHEDULE

We are planning (God willing) to continue having Midweek Lenten Services on Wednesday March 3, 10, 17 and 24th. Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday March 28th. We plan to hold our annual Maundy Thursday Communion Service at 7pm on Thursday April 1st and our Good Friday Worship on Friday April 2nd at 1pm. We are planning to have Easter Breakfast served responsibly on Sunday April 4th at 8am, with Worship to be held at 9:30am. Those men who are willing to help prepare Easter breakfast should speak with either Walter Priebe or Pastor Schaller.

Those who plan to attend the Easter Breakfast are asked to make a suggestion for the Easter Breakfast Menu on the back table.

For *there is* no food and no water, and our soul loathes this worthless bread.”

⁶So the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and many of the people of Israel died.

⁷Therefore 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.

⁸Then the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery *serpent*, and set it on a pole; and it shall be that everyone who is bitten, when he looks at it, shall live.”

⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent, and put it on a pole; and so it was, if a serpent had bitten anyone, when he looked at the bronze serpent, he lived.*

EPISTLE LESSON:

EPHESIANS 2:4-10

⁴But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), ⁶and raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in the heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus, ⁷that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, ⁹not of works, lest anyone should boast. ¹⁰For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. *

THE GRADUAL -- (A Prayer for the Sunday read responsively)

Pastor: O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

Congregation: The founder and perfecter of our faith,

Pastor: Who for the joy set before him,

Congregation: Endured the cross, despising the shame.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Pastor: Then, having completed the work of our redemption;

Congregation: He sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hallelujah!

(Sung) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

"Glory be to Thee, O Lord!"

GOSPEL LESSON:

JOHN 3:14-21

¹⁴ And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁶ For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. ¹⁷ For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

¹⁸ "He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. ¹⁹ And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. ²⁰ For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. ²¹ But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in God." *

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ!"

CONFESSION OF FAITH:

APOSTLES CREED (TLH PG. 12)

HYMN: 329 - *"From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee"*

THE SERMON:

MATTHEW 21:12-17

¹² Then Jesus went into the temple of God and drove out all those who bought and sold in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves. ¹³ And He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer,' but you have made it a 'den of thieves.'"

¹⁴ Then the blind and the lame came to Him in the temple, and He healed them. ¹⁵ But when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that He did, and the children crying out in the temple and saying, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant ¹⁶ and said to Him, "Do You hear what these are saying?"

And Jesus said to them, "Yes. Have you never read, 'Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants you have perfected praise?'"

¹⁷ Then He left them and went out of the city to Bethany, and He lodged there.*

ONLY JESUS...CAN CLEANSE THE TEMPLE

THE OFFERINGS

In order to minimize contact with the ushers, you are asked to please leave your offerings in the basket on the table in the fellowship hall either before or after worship.

THE OFFERING HYMN:

(TLH 179)

On my heart imprint Thine images, Blessed Jesus, King of Grace, That life's riches, cares, and pleasures Have no pow'r Thee to efface. This the superscription be: Jesus, crucified for me, Is my Life, my hope's Foundation, And my Glory and Salvation. Amen.

PRAYER(S)...THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN: 652 - *"I Lay My Sins on Jesus"*

THE COLLECT: Pastor

CONGREGATION: (Sung) "Amen."

THE BENEDICTION: Pastor

CONGREGATION: (Sung) "Amen, Amen, Amen."

CLOSING HYMN: 145 – *"Jesus, Refuge of the Weary"*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 14, 2021

THIS MORNING

Sunday School: *Old Testament #39 – David and Goliath*

Bible Study: *A Harmony of the Gospels*

THIS WEEK

Wednesday: *Midweek Lenten Service, 7pm*

Sunday: *Worship - 9:30am; Sunday School 10:45; Bible Study 10:50am*

USHERS

The Ushers are asked to dismiss the congregation from the back in an effort to reduce the 'bottleneck' in the fellowship hall.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PASSION

Our Lenten Series this season is entitled the Prayers of the Passion and includes a study of a number of prayers offered during the suffering of Jesus. Sermon Texts remaining include: Luke 23:42-43, Luke 23:46. We pray that God the Holy Spirit bless our study of His Word.

OFFERING HYMN ON MY HEART IMPRINT THINE IMAGE

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That life's riches, cares, and pleasures Have no pow'r Thee to
efface. This the superscription be: Jesus, crucified for me, Is my
Life, my hope's Foundation, And my Glory and Salvation. Amen.

HYMN

I LAY MY SINS ON JESUS

1. I lay my sins on Jesus, The spotless Lamb of God; He bears them
all and frees us From the accursed load. I bring my guilt to Jesus
To wash my crimson stains White in His blood most precious Till
not a spot remains.

2. I lay my wants on Jesus, All fulness dwells in Him; He healeth
my diseases, He doth my soul redeem. I lay my griefs on Jesus, My
burdens and my cares; He from them all releases, He all my
sorrows shares.

3. I rest my soul on Jesus, This weary soul of mine; His right hand
me embraces, I on His breast recline. I love the name of Jesus,
Immanuel, Christ the Lord; Like fragrance on the breezes His name
abroad is poured.

4. I long to be like Jesus, Meek, loving, lowly, mild; I long to be like
Jesus, The Father's holy Child. I long to be with Jesus Amid the
heavenly throng To sing with saints His praises, To learn the
angels' song. Amen.

HYMN

JESUS, REFUGE OF THE WEARY

1. Jesus, Refuge of the weary, Blest Redeemer, whom we love,
Fountain in life's desert dreary, Savior from the world above, Oh,
how oft Thine eyes, offended, Gaze upon the sinner's fall! Yet,
upon the cross extended, Thou didst bear the pain of all.

2. Do we pass that cross unheeding, Breathing no repentant vow,
Though we see Thee wounded, bleeding, See Thy thorn-encircled
brow? Yet Thy sinless death hath brought us Life eternal, peace,
and rest; Only what Thy grace hath taught us Calms the sinner's
stormy breast.

3. Jesus, may our hearts be burning With more fervent love for
Thee! May our eyes be ever turning To Thy cross of agony Till in
glory, parted never From the blessed Savior's side, Graven in our
hearts forever Dwell the cross, the Crucified! Amen.

HYMN SHEET

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PSALM 38

¹ O LORD, do not rebuke me in Your wrath, Nor chasten me in Your hot
displeasure! ² For Your arrows pierce me deeply, And Your hand presses
me down.

³ *There is* no soundness in my flesh Because of Your anger, Nor *any* health
in my bones Because of my sin. ⁴ For my iniquities have gone over my
head; Like a heavy burden they are too heavy for me. ⁵ My wounds are
foul *and* festering Because of my foolishness.

⁶ I am troubled, I am bowed down greatly; I go mourning all the day long.
⁷ For my loins are full of inflammation, And *there is* no soundness in my
flesh. ⁸ I am feeble and severely broken; I groan because of the turmoil of
my heart.

⁹ Lord, all my desire *is* before You; And my sighing is not hidden from You.
¹⁰ My heart pants, my strength fails me; As for the light of my eyes, it also
has gone from me.

¹¹ My loved ones and my friends stand aloof from my plague, And my
relatives stand afar off. ¹² Those also who seek my life lay snares *for me*;
Those who seek my hurt speak of destruction, And plan deception all the
day long.

¹³ But I, like a deaf *man*, do not hear; And *I am* like a mute *who* does not
open his mouth. ¹⁴ Thus I am like a man who does not hear, And in whose
mouth *is* no response.

¹⁵ For in You, O LORD, I hope; You will hear, O Lord my God. ¹⁶ For I said,
"Hear me, lest they rejoice over me, Lest, when my foot slips, they exalt
themselves against me."

¹⁷ For I *am* ready to fall, And my sorrow *is* continually before me. ¹⁸ For I
will declare my iniquity; I will be in anguish over my sin. ¹⁹ But my enemies
are vigorous, *and* they are strong; And those who hate me wrongfully
have multiplied. ²⁰ Those also who render evil for good, They are my
adversaries, because I follow *what is* good.

²¹ Do not forsake me, O LORD; O my God, be not far from me! ²² Make
haste to help me, O Lord, my salvation!

PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

FOR AID AGAINST TEMPTATION

O God, you justify the ungodly and do not desire the death of sinners, we humbly beg that You would grant your heavenly aid, and evermore shield with Your protection, your servants who trust in Your mercy, so that they may be defended from temptation to sin and without ceasing may serve You, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

FOR GRACE TO USE OUR GIFTS

O Lord God Almighty, you give to Your servants diverse and singular gifts of the Holy Spirit, leave us not, we pray, destitute of Your gifts nor of the strength to use them to Your honor and glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord. Amen.

HYMN

JESUS, I WILL PONDER NOW

1. Jesus, I will ponder now On Thy holy Passion; With Thy Spirit me endow For such meditation. Grant that I in love and faith May the image cherish Of Thy suffering, pain, and death, That I may not perish.

2. Make me see Thy great distress, Anguish, and affliction, Bonds and stripes and wretchedness And Thy crucifixion; Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails, did wound Thee, How for man Thou diedst, O God, Who with thorns had crowned Thee.

3. Yet, O Lord, not thus alone Make me see Thy Passion, But its cause to me make known And its termination. Ah! I also and my sin Wrought Thy deep affliction; This indeed the cause hath been Of Thy crucifixion.

4. Grant that I Thy Passion view With repentant grieving Nor Thee crucify anew By unholy living. How could I refuse to shun Every sinful pleasure Since for me God's only Son Suffered without measure?

5. If my sins give me alarm And my conscience grieve me, Let Thy cross my fear disarm, Peace of conscience give me. Grant that I may trust in Thee And Thy holy Passion. If His Son so loveth me, God must have compassion.

6. Grant that I may willingly Bear with Thee my crosses, Learning humbleness of Thee, Peace mid pain and losses. May I give Thee love for love! Hear me, O my Savior, That I may in heaven above Sing Thy praise forever. Amen.

HYMN

ENSLAVED BY SIN AND BOUND IN CHAINS

1. Enslaved by sin and bound in chains, Beneath its dreadful tyrant sway, And doomed to everlasting pains, We wretched, guilty captives lay.

2. Nor gold nor gems could buy our peace, Nor all the world's collected store Suffice to purchase our release; A thousand worlds were all too poor.

3. Jesus, the Lord, the mighty God, An all-sufficient ransom paid. O matchless price! His precious blood For vile, rebellious traitors shed.

5. Amazing goodness! Love divine! Oh, may our grateful hearts adore The matchless grace nor yield to sin Nor wear its cruel fetters more!

HYMN

FROM DEPTHS OF WOE I CRY TO THEE

1. From depths of woe I cry to Thee, Lord, hear me, I implore Thee. Bend down Thy gracious ear to me, My prayer let come before Thee. If Thou rememberest each misdeed, If each should have its rightful meed, Who may abide Thy presence?

2. Thy love and grace alone avail To blot out my transgression; The best and holiest deeds must fail To break sin's dread oppression. Before Thee none can boasting stand, But all must fear Thy strict demand And live alone by mercy.

3. Therefore my hope is in the Lord And not in mine own merit; It rests upon His faithful Word To them of contrite spirit That He is merciful and just; This is my comfort and my trust. His help I wait with patience.

4. And though it tarry till the night And till the morning waken, My heart shall never doubt His might Nor count itself forsaken. Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed, Ye of the Spirit born indeed; Wait for your God's appearing.

5. Though great our sins and sore our woes, His grace much more aboundeth; His helping love no limit knows, Our utmost need it soundeth. Our shepherd good and true is He, Who will at last His Israel free From all their sin and sorrow. Amen.