

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist * = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING HYMN**

Jesus, Refuge of the Weary

LSB 423

1. **Jesus, Refuge of the weary, Blest Redeemer, whom we love,
Fountain in life's desert dreary, Savior from the world above:
Often have Your eyes, offended, Gazed upon the sinner's fall!
Yet, upon the cross extended, You have borne the pain of all.**

2. **Do we pass that cross unheeding, Breathing no repentant vow,
Though we see You wounded, bleeding, See Your thorn-encircled brow?
Yet Your sinless death has brought us Life eternal, peace, and rest;
Only what Your grace has taught us Calms the sinner's deep distress.**

3. **Jesus, may our hearts be burning With more fervent love for You;
May our eyes be ever turning To behold Your cross anew
Till in glory, parted never From the blessed Savior's side,
Graven in our hearts forever Dwell the cross, the Crucified.**

8:00 Peace Choristers and Green Park Ringers and Singers

Jesus is Here

Russell Nagy

***INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **✠ Amen.**

L: Who shall ascend unto the hill of the Lord?

C: **Or who shall stand in His holy place?**

L: He that has clean hands and a pure heart;

C: **Who has not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.**

L: Blot out my trespasses.

C: **And take away my iniquities for Your name's sake.**

L: Renew my life to serve with zeal and dedication.

C: **Receive my confession, merciful Father, for the sake of Your Son, my Savior, and by Your Holy Spirit increase in me true knowledge of You and Your will, and true obedience to Your word, to the end, that by Your grace, I may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.**

***THE ABSOLUTION**

C: **✠ Amen.**

***THE GLORIA PATRI** LSB, page 186

C: **✠ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

***THE KYRIE** LSB page 186

C: **✠ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

***THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **✠ And with thy spirit.**

L: Let us pray to the Lord.

C: **✠ Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING for the second Sunday in Lent is from Genesis 17:1-7, pages 11-12:

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, ²that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly.”

³Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, ⁴“Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. ⁷And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **✠ Thanks be to God.**

10:30 Chancel Choir

Kyrie Eleison

THE EPISTLE READING is from Romans 5:1-11, page 942:

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. ⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

***ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

C: **✠ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

***THE HOLY GOSPEL** - according to St. Mark, the eighth chapter, verses 31-38, page 844:

C: **✠ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

³¹And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.” ³⁴And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ³⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. ³⁶For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? ³⁷For what can a man give in return for his soul? ³⁸For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **✠ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SONG (Sung as the children come forward)

(8:00 & 10:30)

- 1. Glory be to Jesus, Who in bitter pains
Poured for me the life-blood From His sacred veins!**
- 2. Grace and life eternal In that blood I find;
Blest be His compassion, Infinitely kind!**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:00 & 10:30)

Christina Stackle

HYMN OF THE DAY

Blest is the Man, Forever Blest

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- 1. Blest is the man, forever blest, Whose guilt is pardoned by his God,
Whose sins with sorrow are confessed And covered with his Savior's blood.**
- 2. Blest is the man to whom the Lord Imputes not his iniquities;
He pleads no merit of reward And not on works but grace relies.**
- 3. From guile his heart and lips are free; His humble joy, his holy fear,
With deep repentance well agree And join to prove his faith sincere.**
- 4. How glorious is that righteousness That hides and cancels all his sins,
While bright the evidence of grace Thro' all his life appears and shines!**

THE SERMON

"The Cross We Bear"

(Mark 8:31-38)

THE OFFERING - *During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering.*

VOLUNTARY 8:00 Green Park Ringers *David's Lamentation*

***THE OFFERTORY** LSB page 192

♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

***LORD'S PRAYER** (Found on the inside back cover of the hymnal.)

***THE BENEDICTION**

C: ♪ Amen, amen, amen.

***THE CLOSING HYMN**

Lord In Ceaseless Contemplation

- 1. Lord, in ceaseless contemplation Fix our hearts and eyes on Thee
Till we taste Thy whole salvation And Thine unveiled glory see.**
- 2. For Thy sorrows we adore Thee, For the griefs that wrought our peace;
Gracious Savior, we implore Thee In our hearts Thy love increase.**

***SILENT PRAYER / POSTLUDE** + + + + +

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Jon C. Furgeson

Liturgist: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens

Organist: 5:00, 8:00 & 10:30: Kendra Ruesler; 9:20: Burnell Hackman

Choir Dir.: Burnell Hackman, DMM and Debbie Prange

KFUO 850 AM Broadcaster/Engineer: Janice McCreary/Terry Hutton

NEWS AND NOTES:

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

FEBRUARY 25, 2018

TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons): Hebrews

Bible Study for 18 - 25 Year Olds (Former Sanctuary Overflow Room)

Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.): Led by Janice McCreary

Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE

8th Grade Youth: led by Rick Goodman and Mike Renner

7th Grade Youth: led by Greg Wirtel and Louise Oster

PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES.

ALTAR FLOWERS are from Ladies Guild. LIVE BROADCAST over KFUE radio (850 AM dial) of Peace's 8 a.m. service today is in memory of John Marsh.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS—REMINDER / CORRECTION Please remember to direct your Choice Dollars **before March 29th** (not March 31st). Call Thrivent at 1-800-847-4836.

THE LIFE MINISTRY TEAM needs volunteers Sunday, March 11th to help visit Peace Shut-Ins. Please sign-up at the Welcome Center in the Commons or for more information contact Sandi Akers.

EASTER PLANTS: Easter lilies and dark pink azaleas will decorate the chancel March 31 and April 1 for Easter. **Please place your order by next Sunday, March 4. Make checks payable to Peace Lutheran Church and earmark "Easter Plants".** Contact Marlene Wussler if you have any questions.

LENTEN SUPPER 5:00 p.m., in the gym, before evening Lenten Service. Dinner will be hosted by Peace Youth who will be serving a variety of soups, with salad, and brownies. Free will offering. Welcome!

MUSIC MINISTRY TRIVIA NIGHT & SILENT AUCTION Don't miss your chance to get your Trivia Tickets. Final two weeks for tickets. Trivia Night is Friday, March 9 at 7p.m. right here at Peace. Support your Music Ministry and have a fun evening. Tickets are still \$15/person. Don't forget to drop off your Silent Auction items this week. Any questions, contact Jan Flosi.

ALTAR PRAYERS available weekly and posted on Commons' Board.

YOUTH NEWS: 6th-12th Gr. Youth and Parents are needed to help serve Lenten Supper on Feb. 28. Sr. Youth Small Groups meet tonight 6-8:00 with Pastor Furgeson leading us in a study on the book of Revelation.

INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED CANDY needed for Easter Egg Hunt. Please give to Christina by Sunday, March 4.

EASTER EGG HUNT, will be held Saturday, March 17, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. for families with children infants - 3rd grade.

SHAMROCK SURPRISE DINNER sponsored by Married Couples Club, Saturday, March 10, with fellowship at 6:00p.m. and dinner at 6:30p.m. Reservations (\$8 per person) should be made no later than March 1 to Heather Carlson, 314-677-7241. Posted.

LADIES GUILD MEETING on March 15 at 12 Noon. A Representative from Lutheran Family & Children Services (LFCS) will be the speaker. Please bring socks and underwear for the children at LFCS.

GREEN PARK SUNDAY is March 11, 10:30 a.m., at Peace.

LENTEN SELF-DENIAL folders are available from the office. The offering is for Seminary students in financial need. On Easter Sunday the folders are to be turned in.

ALASKA MISSIONS would like to thank everyone for supporting their dinner/auction. They appreciate your attendance and help to continue to work with the Native people in rural Alaska. They could not do this work without you!

2018 CONFIRMATION BANNERS appear on the sanctuary wall.

CONFIRMANDS: Jeremiah Nicholas **Andrews**, Keegan Dorothy **Bluette**, Faith Aubrie **Duspiwa**, Elyse Anne **Girard**, Kaitlyn **Halamicek**, Veronica Elise **Harrison**, Andrew Jacob **Hennen**, James Levoy **Howard**, Lauren Grace **McElroy**, Brenna Lynn **Pepper**, Ryan Herman **Rainey**, Jordan Danielle **Saufnauer**, Adriana Marie **Spangler**, Gavin Michael **Summerfield**, Faith Annalena **Van Wyk**, Jeffery Scott **Verseman**, and Samantha Elizabeth **Winters**.

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 25, 2018:

Today: 4:00 Cub Scout Blue and Gold
6:00 Sr. Youth Small Groups
Mon: 5:00 Chimes of Peace Rehearsal
6:30 Elders
Tue: 9:00 Quilters
4:00 Board of Parish Education
6:00 Men's Club
6:30 Men's Volleyball
Wed: 11:00 Worship Service
4:00 5/6/7/8 gr. Confirmation Class
5:00 Lenten Supper
6:15 Worship Service
7:00 Bells of Peace Rehearsal
Thu: 6:00 Men's Bible Study
9:00 Mary/Martha Bible Study
3:30 GP Practice
6:30 ESL Classes
6:30 Financial Peace University
7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sat: 8:30 PLAA B-Ball
5:00 Worship Service w/Comm.
Sun: 11:45 Life Ministry Team