



*The Fourth Sunday in Lent*

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## Collection of Prayer Requests

*Stand*

### Mutual Confession and Absolution

- P** I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.
- C** **Having been declared a Royal Priesthood (1 Pt 2.9), we hereby exercise the authority that Christ has entrusted to us and in the name of our crucified and resurrected Savior and in the name of the Father and in the name of the Spirit, we forgive you all of your sins.**
- P** Amen.
- C** **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**
- P** As a called and ordained servant of our crucified and resurrected Savior and at His command; I forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

*Sit. We stand for the final doxological stanza.*

### God Loved the World So That He Gave

LSB 571



1 God loved the world so that He gave His on - ly  
 2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, Who was made  
 3 God would not have the sin - ner die; His Son with  
 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son For - gives all



Son the lost to save, That all who would in  
 flesh and suf - fered death; All then who trust in  
 sav - ing grace is nigh; His Spir - it in the  
 sins which you have done; And, jus - ti - fied by



Him be - lieve Should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.  
 Him a - lone Are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.  
 Word de - clares How we in Christ are heav - en's heirs.  
 Je - sus' blood, Your Bap - tism grants the high - est good.

5 If you are sick, if death is near,  
 This truth your troubled heart can cheer:  
 Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;  
 That is the firmest ground of faith.

6 Glory to God the Father, Son,  
 And Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
 To You, O blessèd Trinity,  
 Be praise now and eternally!

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## Opening Versicles

**P** This is the day which the Lord has made;

**C** **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

**P** Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,

**C** **slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.**

**P** Jesus said: If any man would come after Me,

**C** **let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.**

**P** Christ was wounded for our transgressions.

**C** **He was bruised for our iniquities.**

**P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

**C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

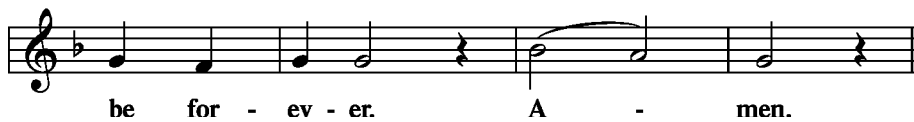
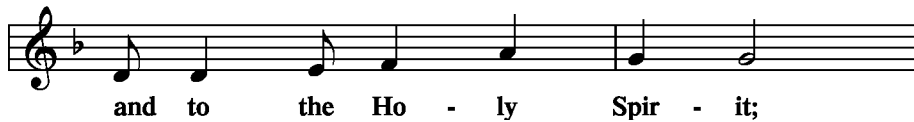
## Old Testament Canticle

LSB 261



**C** The Lord God is my strength and my song, and







*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Numbers 21:4–9*

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. And 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. And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*Ephesians 2:1–10*

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Oh, How Great Is Your Compassion

LSB 559 sts. 1–2



1 Oh, how great is Your com - pas - sion, Faith - ful Fa - ther,  
2 Your great love for this has striv - en That we may, from



God of grace, That with all our fall - en race  
sin made free, Live with You e - ter - nal - ly.



In our depth of deg - ra - da - tion You had mer - cy  
Your dear Son Him - self has giv - en And ex - tends His



so that we Might be saved e - ter - nal - ly!  
gra - cious call, To His sup - per leads us all.

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## Holy Gospel

John 3:14-21

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Responsory

- P** We have an advocate with the Father: Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.
- C** **He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**
- P** Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
- C** **He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**
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## Ten Commandments

- C** **You shall have no other gods.**  
**You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.**  
**Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.**  
**Honor your father and your mother.**  
**You shall not murder.**  
**You shall not commit adultery.**  
**You shall not steal.**  
**You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.**  
**You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**  
**You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.**

## Apostles' Creed

- C** **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.**



## Lord's Prayer

**☐** 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.

*Sit*

## By Grace I'm Saved

LSB 566



1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and  
 2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct  
 3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to  
 4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God is



doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?  
 have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,  
 bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it  
 true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,



Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? No! Then this word must  
 Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our  
 That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and  
 What in His Word our God com - mands, Our faith in what our



true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.  
 sins a - lone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.  
 grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.  
 God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,  
 In tribulation's furnace tried,  
 By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,  
 The Father's heart is open wide.  
 Where could I help and strength secure  
 If grace were not my anchor sure?

6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;  
 In Jesus' promise I rejoice;  
 For though I know my heart's condition,  
 I also know my Savior's voice.  
 My heart is glad, all grief has flown  
 Since I am saved by grace alone.

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## Sermon

*In Christ Jesus*

## Stand

## Prayer

*LSB 265*

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For . . . *[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]* . . . let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

### Collect of the Day

**P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

### Collect for the Word

**L** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

### Morning Prayer

**C** **I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

*Sit*

## Sing Praise to the God of Israel

LSB 936



1 Sing praise to the God of Is - ra - el! Sing praise for His  
 2 God spoke by the proph - ets long a - go, His prom - ise on  
 3 You, child, will go on be - fore the Lord As proph - et, His  
 4 O bright, ris - ing Sun, now shine on us In need of il -



vis - i - ta - tion! Re - deem - ing His peo - ple from their sin,  
 oath re - call - ing— To A - bra - ham made in for - mer years:  
 way pre - par - ing; To speak on be - half of God Most High,  
 lu - mi - na - tion; Come scat - ter the shades of sin and death



Ac - com - plish - ing their sal - va - tion, Up - rais - ing a  
 Of van - quish - ing foes ap - pall - ing, That those He de -  
 His coun - sel of truth de - clar - ing: Rich mer - cy and  
 And shat - ter their dom - i - na - tion. Be guid - ing our



might - y horn with - in The house of His ser - vant Da - vid!  
 liv - ered from their fears Might glad - ly and tru - ly serve Him.  
 grace for all where - by In - iq - ui - ty is for - giv - en.  
 foot - steps on the path Of peace, in Your pres - ence dawn - ing!

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*Stand*

## Blessing

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**P** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the  $\text{†}$  Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

**C** **Amen.**

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## Announcements

**Birthdays** this week: Christine Weisser & George Putnam (today!), Willis Beeler 19<sup>th</sup>, Elizabeth Jager 20<sup>th</sup>

**March 14 – Lent IV** – Location, origin, and residency can neither improve a person’s worth nor impair it. The Lord God’s worldwide redemption in Jesus (John 3:16) gathers from east and the west, north and the south (Psalm 107:2-3). How then can the confines of a woman’s womb or the bars of a hospital bed or the walls of a laboratory hold Him back when His great love has redeemed the human lives there as well?

## Last Week at Redeemer

Attendance: 23  
 Contributions: \$3,290.00 Elders’ Fund: \$50  
 Danelle Putnam: \$50.00 Headlight Herald: \$25.40

## Weekly Schedule for 14 – 21 March

Today	Divine Service	10:30 a.m.	Sanctuary
Monday	Quilters	9:00 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	Winkel	9:00 a.m.	St. Peter’s
Wednesday	Midweek Lectionary	1:00 p.m.	Zoom
	Divine Service	6:00 p.m.	Sanctuary
Thursday	Ladies’ Bible Study	8:00 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
Friday			
Saturday			
Next Sunday	Divine Service	10:30 a.m.	Sanctuary