



March 20, 2022, Peace Lutheran Church, Hutchinson, MN

INVOCATION and CALL TO WORSHIP, Psalm 85:1-8

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

¹You, LORD, showed favor to your land;
you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

²**You forgave the iniquity of your people
and covered all their sins.**

³You set aside all your wrath
and turned from your fierce anger.

⁴**Restore us again, God our Savior,
and put away your displeasure toward us.**

⁵Will you be angry with us forever?
Will you prolong your anger through all generations?

⁶Will you not revive us again,
that your people may rejoice in you?

⁷**Show us your unfailing love, LORD,
and grant us your salvation.**

⁸I will listen to what God the LORD says;
he promises peace to his people, his faithful servants—
but let them not turn to folly.

⁹**Surely his salvation is near those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land. (NIV)**

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN G629 (Green): In Christ Alone

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father,
beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
Who made heaven and earth.

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us (Kyrie eleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us, Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy upon us, Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Gracious God and Savior, Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Come, restore, renew us, Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy upon us, Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy upon us, Hear our prayer, O Lord.



9:15am Children are dismissed to Sunday School after the Children's Sermon.

Readers: 6:15 Joanne Keilen 8:00 George Quast; 9:15am Betty Ruskamp; 10:30 Mary Haag

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Ezekiel 33:7-20

⁷ "Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the people of Israel; so hear the word I speak and give them warning from me. ⁸ When I say to the wicked, 'You wicked person, you will surely die,' and you do not speak out to dissuade them from their ways, that wicked person will die for their sin, and I will hold you accountable for their blood. ⁹ But if you do warn the wicked person to turn from their ways and they do not do so, they will die for their sin, though you yourself will be saved.

¹⁰ "Son of man, say to the Israelites, 'This is what you are saying: "Our offenses and sins weigh us down, and we are wasting away because of them. How then can we live?"' ¹¹ Say to them, 'As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign LORD, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live. Turn! Turn from your evil ways! Why will you die, people of Israel?'

¹² "Therefore, son of man, say to your people, 'If someone who is righteous disobeys, that person's former righteousness will count for nothing. And if someone who is wicked repents, that person's former wickedness will not bring condemnation. The righteous person who sins will not be allowed to live even though they were formerly righteous.' ¹³ If I tell a righteous person that they will surely live, but then they trust in their righteousness and do evil, none of the righteous things that person has done will be remembered; they will die for the evil they have done. ¹⁴ And if I say to a wicked person, 'You will surely die,' but they then turn away from their sin and do what is just and right— ¹⁵ if they give back what they

took in pledge for a loan, return what they have stolen, follow the decrees that give life, and do no evil—that person will surely live; they will not die. ¹⁶ None of the sins that person has committed will be remembered against them. They have done what is just and right; they will surely live.

¹⁷ “Yet your people say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ But it is their way that is not just. ¹⁸ If a righteous person turns from their righteousness and does evil, they will die for it. ¹⁹ And if a wicked person turns away from their wickedness and does what is just and right, they will live by doing so. ²⁰ Yet you Israelites say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ But I will judge each of you according to your own ways.” (NIV)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

For I do not want you to be ignorant of the fact, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud and that they all passed through the sea. ² They were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. ³ They all ate the same spiritual food ⁴ and drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ. ⁵ Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them; their bodies were scattered in the wilderness.

⁶ Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did. ⁷ Do not be idolaters, as some of them were; as it is written: “The people sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in revelry.” ⁸ We should not commit sexual immorality, as some of them did—and in one day twenty-three thousand of them died. ⁹ We should not test Christ, as some of them did—and were killed by snakes. ¹⁰ And do not grumble, as some of them did—and were killed by the destroying angel.

¹¹ These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the culmination of the ages has come. ¹² So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don’t fall! ¹³ No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it. (NIV)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

6:30pm, 8:00am, 10:30am ▲ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: HYMN 422 On My Heart Imprint Your Image

On my heart imprint Your image, Blessed Jesus, King of grace
That life’s riches, cares, and pleasures, Never may Your work erase
Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me,
Is my life, my hope’s foundation, And my glory and salvation!

GOSPEL READING: Luke 13:1-9

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 13th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. ² Jesus answered, “Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? ³ I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. ⁴ Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them—do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? ⁵ I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish.”

⁶ Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it but did not find any. ⁷ So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, ‘For three years now I’ve been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven’t found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?’ ⁸ “‘Sir,’ the man replied, ‘leave it alone for one more year, and I’ll dig around it and fertilize it. ⁹ If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.’” (NIV)

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

6:30, 8:00, 10:30 HYMN 751 O God of Love, O King of Peace *(Sung to the tune Vom Himmel Hoch)*

9:15am Lamb of God

MESSAGE "I Am the Problem" Pastor Fuchs

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

8:00am Special Music: The Lord's Prayers by Malotte

PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

8:00am & 10:30am SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

HYMN 198 AGNUS DEI (Divine Service, Setting Three, page 198)

HYMN 547 (Maroon): The Lamb

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

6:30pm HYMN 547 (Maroon): The Lamb

9:15am Amazing Grace / My Chains Are Gone

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11:30am & 6:30pm; Lunch follows the 11:30am worship service.

April 10th, Palm Sunday – 8:00am, 9:15am & 10:30am

April 14th, Maundy Thursday – 11:30am & 6:30pm

April 15th, Good Friday – 12:00 (noon) & 6:30pm, Tenebrae

*April 17th, Easter – 8:00am, 9:15am & 10:30am with Communion
(Communion will be served in the chapel following the 8:00 & 9:15 worship services.)*