



"He fasted for forty days  
*and* forty nights..."

**The First Sunday of Lent  
March 9, 2025  
Peace Lutheran Church, Hutchinson, MN**

**HYMN 727 (Maroon): On Eagles' Wings**

**INVOCATION and CALL TO WORSHIP, Psalm 91**

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

<sup>1</sup> Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

<sup>2</sup> **I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress,  
my God, in whom I trust."**

<sup>3</sup> Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare  
and from the deadly pestilence.

<sup>4</sup> **He will cover you with his feathers,  
and under his wings you will find refuge;  
his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.**

<sup>5</sup> You will not fear the terror of night,  
nor the arrow that flies by day,

<sup>6</sup> nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness,  
nor the plague that destroys at midday.

<sup>7</sup> **A thousand may fall at your side,  
ten thousand at your right hand,  
but it will not come near you.**

<sup>8</sup> You will only observe with your eyes  
and see the punishment of the wicked.

<sup>9</sup> **If you say, "The LORD is my refuge,"  
and you make the Most High your dwelling,**

<sup>10</sup> **no harm will overtake you,  
no disaster will come near your tent.**

<sup>11</sup> For he will command his angels concerning you  
to guard you in all your ways;

<sup>12</sup> they will lift you up in their hands,  
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.

<sup>13</sup> **You will tread on the lion and the cobra;  
you will trample the great lion and the serpent.**

<sup>14</sup> “Because he loves me,” says the LORD, “I will rescue him;  
I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.

<sup>15</sup> He will call on me, and I will answer him;  
I will be with him in trouble,  
I will deliver him and honor him.

<sup>16</sup> **With long life I will satisfy him  
and show him my salvation.” (NIV)**

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

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** (*Divine Service Four, page 203*)

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

If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
**But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

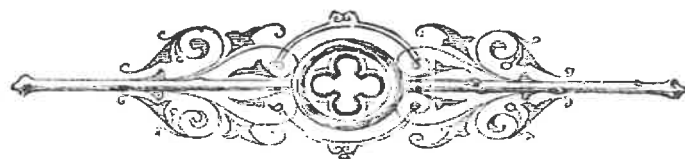
Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

In Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### **SONG: Our Sins They Are Many, His Mercy Is More**

**What love could remember no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more  
Praise the Lord, His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness, new every morn  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more**



**Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11**

“When you come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, <sup>2</sup> you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the Lord your God will choose, to make his name to dwell there. <sup>3</sup> And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, ‘I declare today to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our fathers to give us.’ <sup>4</sup> Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the Lord your God.

<sup>5</sup> “And you shall make response before the Lord your God, ‘A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. <sup>6</sup> And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. <sup>7</sup> Then we cried to the Lord, the God of our fathers, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. <sup>8</sup> And the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. <sup>9</sup> And he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. <sup>10</sup> And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O Lord, have given me.’ And you shall set it down before the Lord your God and worship before the Lord your God. <sup>11</sup> And you shall rejoice in all the good that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you. (ESV)

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

**Epistle Reading: Romans 10:8b-13**

“The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup> because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup> For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup> For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup> For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” (ESV)

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**▲ 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 4:1-13**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness <sup>2</sup> for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup> The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread.” <sup>4</sup> And Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone.’” <sup>5</sup> And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, <sup>6</sup> and said to

him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. <sup>7</sup> If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours."

<sup>8</sup> And Jesus answered him, "It is written,  
"You shall worship the Lord your God,  
and him only shall you serve."

<sup>9</sup> And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, <sup>10</sup> for it is written,  
"He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,'

<sup>11</sup> and "On their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you strike your foot against a stone."

<sup>12</sup> And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" <sup>13</sup> And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time. (ESV)

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



**Children's Message**

**6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN 418 (Maroon): O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days**

**10:30am SONG: Cornerstone**

**MESSAGE "It Is Written" Pastor Weber**

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**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                      8:30am    Just As I Am, Peace Singers**

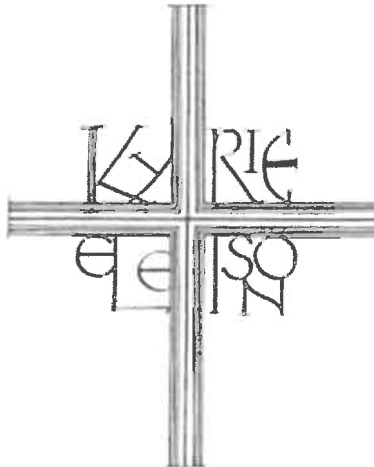
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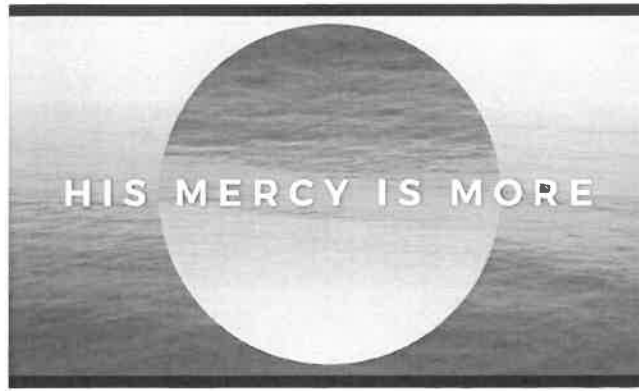
**PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**10:30am            SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**  
**SONG: Jesus, I've Forgotten**

**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 & 8:30am    HYMN 424 (Maroon): O Christ, You Walked the Road**  
**10:30am                      SONG: Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me**





**LENTEN SERIES: Our Sins, They Are Many, His Mercy is More**

Join us this Lent for a midweek sermon series titled, “His Mercy Is More.” We will focus on the overwhelming and boundless nature of God’s mercy, emphasizing that no matter how great our sins are, God’s mercy is always greater, offering forgiveness and redemption through Jesus Christ.

This is such good news for sinners like us. Thousands of years ago, Paul penned the powerful words, “But where sin increased, grace abounded all the more.”

More recently, musicians Chris Boswell and Matt Papa composed lyrics to a new hymn that we will be learning during Lent: “Praise the Lord! His mercy is more. Stronger than darkness, new every morn. Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.”

**\*March 12<sup>th</sup> Joseph Pastor Miller**  
**\*No 4:30pm service this week due to the Hutchinson Schools Spring Break.**

<b>March 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>The Prodigal Son</b>	<b>Pastor Bode</b>
<b>March 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Rahab and Ruth</b>	<b>Pastor Weber</b>
<b>April 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Peter’s Denial</b>	<b>Pastor Miller</b>
<b>April 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>The Unmerciful Servant</b>	<b>Pastor Bode</b>
<b>Good Friday</b>	<b>Thief on the Cross</b>	<b>Pastor Miller</b>

**HOLY WEEK**

**Palm Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. Normal schedule. Sunday School sings at 8:30am.**

**Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. No classes or activities.**

**Maundy Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup>: Worship at 11:30am & 6:30pm with communion (No lunch)**

**Good Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>: Worship at 11:30am & 6:30pm (No lunch)**

**April 19<sup>th</sup>, NO Saturday night worship.**

**Easter, April 20<sup>th</sup>: 6:30am, 8:30am, 10:30am in the Sanctuary with communion at all.**

**Breakfast in the Peace Center. No Sunday School or Bible Classes.**