

March 10th, 2019 at 9:30 am

First Sunday of Lent

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These forty days called Lent are like no other. It is our opportune time to return to the God who rescues; to receive the gifts of God's grace; to believe with the heart and confess with the mouth the wonder of God's love in Jesus; and to resist temptation at every turn. This is no small pilgrimage on which we have just embarked. It is a struggle Jesus knew. It is a struggle Jesus shares. The nearness of the Lord, in bread and wine, water and word, will uphold and sustain us.

Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

We would like everyone to fill out the Friendship Pad at the end of the pews and pass it along for all to fill out. Please also mark the names of all in the family who are receiving Communion. If you are visiting, please include your address and phone number.

Nursery: Our nursery is located out the north entrance of the sanctuary.
Please feel free to use the nursery anytime during the service.

Children's Worship Bulletin is Available at both entrances.

We are delighted to have you.

**–ORDER OF WORSHIP –
WOV SETTING 5 BREAD OF LIFE**

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Time for reflection in silence

Tena Rackow

What is confession?

Confession consists of two parts. One is that we confess our sins. The other is that we receive the absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God himself and by no means doubt but firmly believe that our sins are thereby forgiven before God in heaven. (From Luther's Small Catechism)

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who gathers us in the wilderness to redeem us, anoint us, and make us new.

C: Amen.

P: In these forty days, let us be honest, confess our sin, and receive God's promise of mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God at the margins,

C: We have wandered far from your home; again and again, we lose our way. We turn inward, afraid of the world around us. We forget that you have saved your people before and promise to do so again. Do not remember the deeds of our past, but turn our faces toward the future, where your forgiveness is sure, your welcome is clear, and your love overflows. Amen.

P: Like a hen who gathers her chicks, God embraces you in tender care. Like manna in the desert, God feeds you with surprising mercy.

Like a loving parent, God runs to meet you again this day, forgiving your sins for the sake of † Christ, leading you from death into life.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN "O LORD, THROUGHOUT THESE FORTY DAYS"
ELW#319



1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days you
2 You strove with Sa - tan, and you won; your
3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet you prayed and
4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, and



prayed and kept the fast; in - spire re - pen - tance
faith - ful - ness en - dured; lend us your nerve, your
fixed your mind a - bove; so teach us to de -
all our earth - ly days, that when the fi - nal



for our sin, and free us from our past.
skill and trust in God's e - ter - nal word.
ny our - selves that we may know God's love.
Eas - ter dawns, we join in heav - en's praise.

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: **And also with you.**

KYRIE

LORD, HAVE MERCY

WOV p.28



Ⓐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: Ⓞ Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



Ⓐ Chri - ste e - le - i - son: Ⓞ Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy:



Ⓐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: Ⓞ Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray.

C: O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 26:1-11**

L: A reading from Deuteronomy.

¹When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, ²you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. ³You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." ⁴When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, ⁵you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. ⁶When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, ⁷we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; ⁹and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. ¹¹Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 (*Read responsively.*)

¹He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

²**He shall say to the LORD, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, my God in whom I put my trust."**

⁹Because you have made the LORD your refuge, and the Most High your habitation,

¹⁰**there shall no evil happen to you, neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.**

¹¹For he shall give his angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways.

¹²**They shall bear you in their hands, lest you dash your foot against a stone.**

¹³You shall tread upon the lion and the adder; you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

¹⁴**Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows my name.**

¹⁵He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

¹⁶**With long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation.**

SECOND READING: Romans 10:8b-13

L: A reading from Romans.

^{8b}“The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION “CHANGE MY HEART, O GOD” (refrain only)

ELW #801

Change my heart, O God; make it ev - er true.

Change my heart, O God; may I be like you. *End*

GOSPEL: Luke 4:1-13

P: The holy gospel according to Luke. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

After being filled with the Holy Spirit at his baptism, Jesus is led in the wilderness. Through his responses to the temptations of the devil, he defines what it means to be called “the Son of God.”

¹Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ²where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. ³The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.” ⁴Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone.’” ⁵Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶And the devil said to him, “To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. ⁷If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.” ⁸Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’”

⁹Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,’ ¹¹and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

¹²Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” ¹³When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

P: The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

HYMN OF THE DAY "A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD" ELW#505



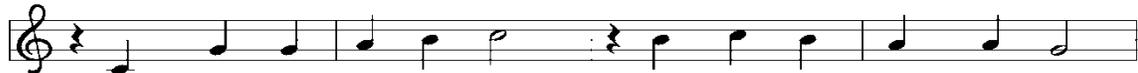
1 A migh - ty for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er
 2 If we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing turns to
 3 Though all the world with dev - ils fill and threat - en to de -
 4 God's Word shall stand a - bove the pow'rs, shall end all their thanks-



fail - ing; our help - er frees us from the flood of
 los - ing; the righ - teous one fights by our side, the
 vour us, we trem - ble not, we trust God's will: they
 giv - ing. The Spir - it and the gifts are ours, for



mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe,
 one of God's own choos - ing. You ask who this may be:
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Though Sa - tan rant and rage,
 God with us is liv - ing. Let goods and kin - dred go,



for - sworn to work us woe, with guile and dread - ful might
 Christ Je - sus, it is he, the Lord of hosts by name.
 in fierc - est war en - gage, this ty - rant's doomed to fail;
 this mor - tal life al - so; though all of these be gone,



is armed to wage the fight: on earth there is no c - qual.
 No oth - er God we claim! None else can win the bat - tle.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word shall tri - umph.
 they yet have noth - ing won. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

APOSTLES' CREED

A: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith in the words of Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

THE PRAYERS

After each petition: WA: Hear us, O God. C: **Your mercy is great**

WA: Seeking the grace, mercy, and love of almighty God, we offer our prayers for the church, for people in need, and for all of creation.

A brief silence

WA: Holy and steadfast God, keep your word near to us, planting it in our hearts and communities. Grow your love in us and encourage us to share pain and burden with others. We especially pray for our siblings in the United Methodist Church.

Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: As you give your Spirit freely, so also give bread that sustains every living thing. Graciously feed hungry souls and hungry stomachs with your bountiful provision . Stir up courage among your people to resist oppressive powers and to lead people into freedom and shine the light of your justice through their work. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Hold tightly those who grow weary in their struggle with addiction or temptation. We lift our prayers for those who are sick, *especially Bob Lyvers, Dick and Rene Johnson, Ethel Lobdell, Gene Hesselbacher, Sheridan Brinker, Sharon Schlachter, Fern Harnish, Steve Fahr, Abby Brinker, Greg Lloyd, Donna Euler, Robin Cross, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Jon Forsythe, Brooke, Meghan, Sylvia, Diane, Darren, Myron Coaty, Deb Lindeman Harder, Tim Coleman, Cindy Tessendorf, Larry Larson, Randy, Brian, LeRoy, and Tammy.* By your strength bear them up to live fully in your presence. Give strength and courage and your blessing this week to **Lois Paulsen.** Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: We give you thanks for our church family. For those who help with children's ministry. For those who gather for Parkinson Support group, the hymn sing, Lenten lunch, and Friendship club. For Tim, Cindy, and Paige Tessendorf, Jim Swain, Dennis Bergman, Toni Brinker, Tom, Abigail, Eme and Charli Brinker. Let your angel watch over them and guard their ways. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: We lift our prayers to your children in Lee County, Alabama who were hit by the tornado, last week. In their sorrows, confusions, joys, and struggles, answer their cries and shelter them with your loving arms. Protect displaced children and families with your steadfast love. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: When we struggle and are tested, redeem us by the endurance of Christ. Give us steadfast faith to strive for your glory until we witness its fullness. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Reveal your will as you receive our prayers, and conform our ways to your ways; through the saving work of Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church locally and throughout the world, including the care of those in need. Offering is our response to God's blessings and abundant grace given to us. We also offer up prayers to God as we offer ourselves (time, talents, gifts, and interests) to the Lord's service and dedicate our lives to God's work in the world.

CHOIR ANTHEM

“OUT OF THE DEPTHS I CRY”

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

C: **Generous God, you feed us with the harvest of the land, and you provide for our every need. Receive our gifts of money, imagination, and labor, and transform them into a feast that welcomes all, in Jesus Christ, our host and our guest. Amen.**

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE

P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you,...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

WOV p. 36

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
 might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: **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.



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

We practice open Communion — Christ invites us to the table. All baptized Christians are welcome to partake the body and blood of Jesus Christ. If you wish to receive a blessing, you may come forward. Holy Communion will be celebrated by intinction (dip the bread into the chalice). The gold chalices have wine; the chrome chalices have grape juice. You will be ushered down the center aisle and return to your pew by way of the side aisles. If you need assistance, please let an usher know.

COMMUNION HYMN

LAMB OF GOD

WOV p.39



☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

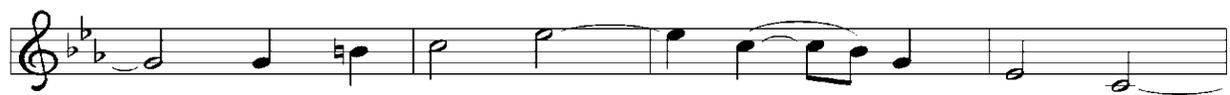
"I WANT JESUS TO WALK WITH ME" ELW#325



1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;
2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



I want Je - sus to walk with me;
in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
when I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



all a - long my pil - grim jour - ncy,
when my heart is al - most break - ing,
when my head is bowed in sor - row,



Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Tender and merciful one, at your feast, you fed us who brought nothing, turning our emptiness into joy. Filled with your abundant grace, send us now to be ministers of reconciliation, mending broken hearts, working for justice, and striving for peace among all people, in the name of Jesus Christ. **C: Amen.**

COMMUNITY CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS**BLESSING**

P: God, who fills the creation with abundance, Christ, who spreads his arms in forgiveness, Holy Spirit, who draws ever near to us, ✠ bless you and bring you to life everlasting.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN “ON JORDAN’S STORMY BANK I STAND” ELW#437

1 On Jor-dan's storm-y bank I stand, and cast a wish-ful eye
 2 All o'er those wide ex-tend-ed plains shines one e-ter-nal day;
 3 No chill-ing winds or poi-s'nous breath can reach that health-ful shore;
 4 When shall I reach that hap-py place and be for-ev-er blest?



to Ca-naan's fair and hap-py land, where my pos-ses-sions lie.
 there God the Son for-ev-er reigns and scat-ters night a-way.
 sick-ness and sor-row, pain and death, are felt and feared no more.
 When shall I see my Sav-ior's face and in God's bos-om rest?



I am bound for the prom-ised land, I am bound for the prom-ised land;



oh, who will come and go with me? I am bound for the prom-ised land.

DISMISSAL (from the back)

A: Go in peace. Christ walks with you. **C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Tena Rackow

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Today	Worship Service	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30am
	Sunday School/Confirmation	10:45am
	Choir Practice	11:00am
	VBS meeting at the Beloved Church	12:00pm
	Chime Practice	5:00pm
Monday	Parkinson Support Group	1:00pm
Tuesday	Hymn Sing Lena Living Center	9:45am
	Council Meeting	6:30pm
Wednesday	Lenten Luncheon at Good Shepherd	12:00pm
	Lenten Dinner (WELCA)	5:30 pm
	Lenten Worship Service	6:30 pm
Thursday	Friendship Club	12:00pm
Next Sunday	Worship Service—Confirmation Reunion Sunday	9:30am
	Fellowship	10:30am
	Sunday School/Confirmation	10:45am
	Choir Practice	11:00am
	Chime Practice	5:00pm

Attendance March 3rd – 54

Total Offering 03/03/2019 - \$1859.00 amount needed - \$2594.95

An AED (defibrillator) is located on the wall in the Fellowship Hall in case of an emergency. The device is designed to deliver calm, clear voice instructions precisely timed to the responder's actions, guiding the responder every step of the way. When the door is open an alarm goes off to alert others that there is an emergency.

Lenten Devotion Books

There are two Lenten devotion books this year. One is Lasting Hope: Devotion for Lent 2019 which contains daily readings which is accompanied by a photo, a quote to ponder, a reflection, and a prayer. This accessible and colorful format makes it easy to incorporate a simple Christian observance into your Lenten journey. The other is Lenten Study Guide: ELCA World Hunger's 40 days of Giving which contains short weekly readings with questions for reflection of conversation. Each sessions draw on stories from projects supported by ELCA World Hunger and each questions help deepen our Lenten journey by reflecting on what the Lenten practice of repentance, prayer and fasting, sacrificial giving and works love means for us today. Both are available at the rack.

Mid-week Lenten Evening Supper and Service

This year's mid-week Lenten service will be on Psalms. We will use Lenten devotion book, Lasting Hope to deepen our prayers and faith journeys. No preparation is required. Come and center our hearts in God together. Supper starts at 5:30pm, and the service starts at 6:30pm.

Euchre & Dominoes Party

St. John's Lutheran Church at 229 S. First Street, Pearl City will be hosting a Euchre & Dominoes Party on this afternoon from 1:30pm-4:30pm. Sandwiches, chips, dessert and drinks will be served after playing. You can play for prizes, fun or both. Cost is \$5.00 at the door if you have any questions call 815-443-2555.

Confirmation Class Reunion Sunday NEXT SUNDAY

To celebrate Good Shepherd's 162nd anniversary, we are having Confirmation Reunion for the classes of 1996, 1998, and 1999 on Sunday, March 17th. Pastor David Raben will come and preach on that Sunday. We will have potluck lunch and fellowship after the service. Spread the word! Invite friends for our special day!

Stephen Ministry – Learning about active listening skills.

Stephen Ministry is a lay led ministry for caring for God's children through listening and praying. There will be an introductory workshop at **Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Rockford on Saturday, March 23rd from 9am-1pm**. We would like to go as a group (We need at least 4 people.). If you are interested, please contact the church office by Monday, March 18th so that you will be registered.

New Address

Jim Swain has moved into a new home.

His new address is 1108 Baxter Lane, Freeport, IL 61032. He would be happy to see you, visitors welcome.

Thank You

Dear Good Shepherd Family. Your kindness is deeply appreciated, thank you for the great food for Dad's (Verl Price) funeral. It was all great, Barb Price.

NW WELCA Spring Assembly

The Conference Coordinating Committee (CCC) would like to invite all ladies to join us at the Spring Assembly gathering on March 16th, 2019 at Christ Lutheran Church in Stockton for brunch and a humorous program on aging. Gathering starts with registration at 9:00am and brunch served at 9:30am with program to follow. There will be a lot of fellowship and laughter. The program is called "YOUNG AT HEART, BUT OLDER IN OTHER PLACES" by Nancy Hanewall Stacy who will be presenting the program. Reservations and a fee of \$10 to cover the brunch and the program is needed by March 9th, 2019. A free will offering will be taken for ongoing programs of the NW Conference.

Songs and Stories of Brent Vernon

Brent is a songwriter, author, ventriloquist and illustrator. He will be having a live concert on Friday, March 15th at 6:30pm at Bethel UMC, 217 S. Hickory Street, Shannon, IL. There will be a special appearance by Sam, Brent's co-star. Free admission and nursery care available. This is a live concert to be enjoyed by the entire family sponsored by Pearl City UMC, Lanark UMC and Leap of Faith Music Ministry.



Lenten Lunch Schedule

March 13th - at Good Shepherd

March 20th - at Evangelical Free

March 27th - at St. Joseph

April 3rd -at St John's

April 10th -at Lena UMC

April 17th -at Lena UMC hosted by Salem and Beloved

Luncheon starts at **noon** followed by a short devotion. A free will offering will be accepted. All are welcome!