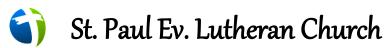


The First Sunday in Lent February 18, A+D 2024



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> DIVINE SERVICE Setting 3 – Page 184 Lutheran Service Book

Christ Jesus Defeats Our Temptation and Saves Us by His Faithfulness

In faith and the fear of God, Abraham prepared to sacrifice his beloved son, Isaac. At the Word of the Lord, he "took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son." And "when they came to the place of which God had told him," Abraham bound Isaac "and laid him on the altar" (Gen. 22:6, 9). Then God stayed Abraham's hand and provided "for himself the lamb for a burnt offering" (Gen. 22:8). That Lamb is God's own beloved Son, Jesus, in whom "all the nations of the earth" are blessed (Gen. 22:18). As the Substitute for all the sons of men, Jesus is driven by the Spirit "into the wilderness" to be "tempted by Satan" (Mark 1:12–13) in order to endure and defeat all temptation. We are tempted by our own desire, which conceives and "gives birth to sin" (James 1:14–15). But this blessed Man, Christ Jesus, remained "steadfast under trial," and He has received "the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him" (James 1:12). His faithfulness, His victory and His life are now given to us by His grace in the Gospel.

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome

Confession and Absolution

707 Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways

Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

Exhortation 184

- P 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.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **©** who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

LSB 184

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution LSB 185

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

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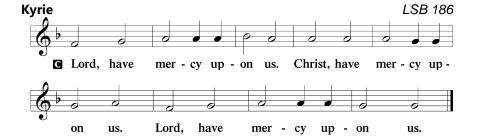
Psalm 91:9-13; antiphon: vv. 15-16

- P When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;
- I will rescue him and honor him.
- P With long life I will satisfy him
- and show him my salvation.
- P Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—
- the Most High, who is my refuge—
- **P** no evil shall be allowed to befall you,
- **©** no plague come near your tent.
- P For he will command his angels concerning you
- **©** to guard you in all your ways.
- P On their hands they will bear you up,
- lest you strike your foot against a stone.
- P You will tread on the lion and the adder;
- the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.



- as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

 When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;
- I will rescue him and honor him.
- P With long life I will satisfy him
- and show him my salvation.



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 22:1-18

A The Old Testament Reading for The First Sunday in Lent is from the twenty-second chapter of Genesis the First Book of Moses.

¹After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ²He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for

the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." ⁶And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

⁹When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ¹²He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." ¹³And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

¹⁵And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven ¹⁶and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, ¹⁸and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Epistle James 1:12–18

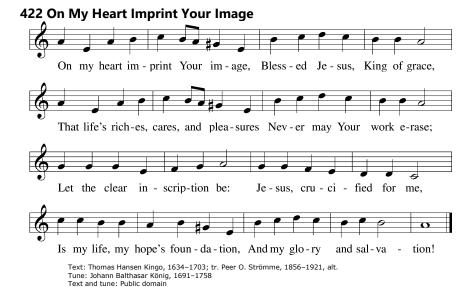
A The Second Reading is from the first chapter of the General Epistle of James.

¹²Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. ¹³Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

¹⁶Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand



Holy Gospel

Mark 1:9-15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.



⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

¹²The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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 worshipped 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.

Sit

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Sermon

Stand



Sit

Gathering of Tithes & Offerings

If you are submitting a prayer request on a prayer card, kindly hand it directly to the usher. Do not place it into the offering plate

Stand

- **P** ... let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 194



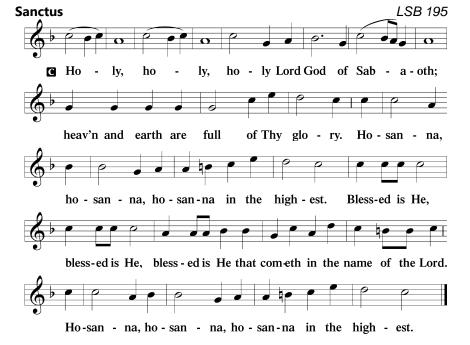


P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



Proper Preface (Full)

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Lord's Prayer

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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



The Words of Our Lord

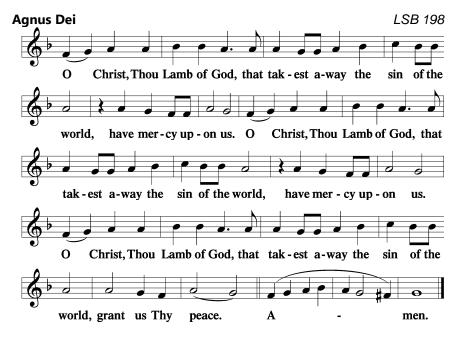
LSB 197

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My +I+ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini LSB 197

The peace of the Lord be with you always.





Sit

Distribution of Christ's Body and Blood

Members of other Christian denominations who are present may come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor during the distribution. It is

requested that you cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire this blessing.

Silent Prayer Just Before Communing: Dear Savior, at your gracious invitation, I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Silent Prayer Just After Communing: Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament. I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace the forgiveness of sins unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

547 The Lamb

619 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior

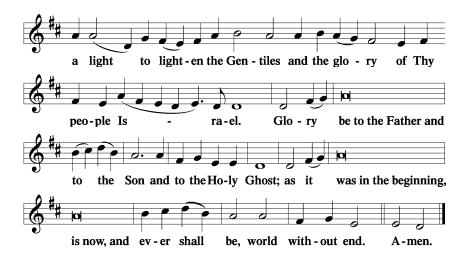
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The Dismissal

- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 in peace.
- Amen.





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Thanksgiving

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Salutation LSB 201

P The Lord be with you.



Benedicamus LSB 202

A Bless we the Lord.



Benediction LSB 202

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and

→ give you peace.



809 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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Dear Food Basket Helpers,

Thank you for your support of our Food Basket program! It has been a blessing to many who struggle throughout the year. As we look forward to the upcoming holidays, we would like to provide support for those in need for Easter. We will purchase Aldi gift cards to send to our families in need. If you would like to donate to help purchase the gift cards in place of the items you would normally be purchasing, it would be much appreciated.

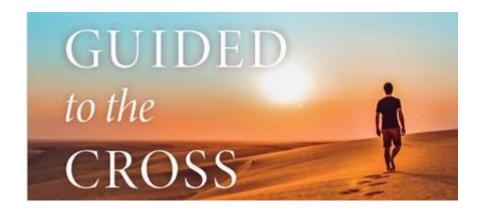
Include your donations with your offering and mark your envelope Social Ministry or Food Baskets.

This is a difficult time for all, but we still need to care for those less fortunate. Thank you for your continued support of this important ministry!

Social Ministry







February 21

Guided to Hope 9:30 am Lenten Serv. 10:30 am Brunch

February 28

Guided to Love 6:00 pm Pot-luck Supper 7:00 pm Lenten Service

March 6

Guided to Peace 9:30 am Lenten Serv. 10:30 am Brunch

March 13

Guided to Trust 6:00 pm Pot-luck Supper 7:00 pm Lenten Service

March 20

Guided to Perseverance 9:30 am Lenten Serv. 10:30 am Brunch

March 24

9:30 am Palm Sunday Service

March 28

7:00 pm Maundy Thursday

March 29

7:00 pm Good Friday

March 31

7:00 am Easter Sunday Service 8:30 am Easter Breakfast

The Glad Spirit St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church

February 18, 2024

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

ST. PAUL'S FAMILY

Margaret Loitz Jennifer Lovett Danial Lovett Andrew Lovett Tiffany Lovett

BIRTHDAYS

Brandi Baker, 2/24

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

Brianna Middleton, 2/18 Micci Orth, 2/19 Laura Schassburger, 2/23 Hope Krieger, 2/24



SPECIAL CONCERNS

Pray for Diane Akers, Norma Allen, Janice Abel, Sondra Budde, Jay Carey, Carmen Dampier, Judy Diekleman, Latricia Harris, Ed Hoeksema Jr., Chester Orendorff, Violet Rich, Dolly Tagenhorst, Warren Van Mynen, Gene Wiltjer, Ray Zander.

Serving in the Military – Austin Brandy, James Fluechtling, Nathan Lopez, and Robert Wisely.

Serving as First Responders – David Allen, Dave Bloom, Nathan Conway, Brianne Giba, Melanie Hudson, Brian Orth, Dana Tatgenhorst, Taylor VanDommelen and Dan Zander.

NEWS UPDATE

The bulletin for today and the eternal light are given to the glory of God and in memory of Debbie Bloom by her family.

St. John's Lutheran in Lansing is hosting a Vitalant Blood Drive on Saturday, March 2 from 9:00 - 1:00 pm. If you wish to donate, you can either go to vitalant.org to sign up or call the office Tuesdays - Fridays from 9:00-2:00 pm for more information.

St. John's Lutheran in Lansing is hosting a Dinner/Auction on Saturday, March 9th starting at 4:00 pm (dinner at 5:00). If you have questions, contact Tina Funchion @ 708 789-2844. You may also go to www.stjohnschurchlansing.org and sign up for tickets (\$20) and pay online for them.



St. Paul Book Club will meet Wednesday March 13 at 10:00 am, to review *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Michele Richardson. We always welcome new members. Book Club is in person and thru FB chat. Please let Deb know in advance so she can link you in.

Christ For You this week on KFUO.org: Hear stories about mental health, LCMS history, and the history of LCMS Black Ministry on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. CT), continue studying Galatians 5-6 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), study Deuteronomy 9-12 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and enjoy a Lenten Organ Recital and Worship Service on 2/21 at 11:00 a.m. CT. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!

Truth, Beauty & Goodness... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: The Cultural Benefits of Natural Marriage; Friendship & Loneliness; Peter Confesses Jesus as the Christ; The Faith of a Canaanite Woman and more. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

"The state can punish offenders, but it can't give birth to law-abiding citizens. The state cannot love or nurture a child. It takes a family. A radical thought, that, but off limits in our public conversations swept clean of moral discourse. Pray that this will change." James M. Kushiner,

The Fellowship of St. James – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

Carrying the Message

"The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!" Mark 1:15 (NIV)

Based on Mark 1:9-15



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FORTY	NEWS	OPEN	WATER	DAYS
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GOD'S PEOPLE IN ACTION



ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

Attendance Communed, 0 Online

Budgeted Total	825.00	Non-budgeted Total	\$125.00
		Social Ministry	30.00
		Church Maint	50.00
Envelopes	655.00	Luth. Church Charity	10.00
Basket	\$170.00	Weekly Missions	\$35.00

Offering Needed ____
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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today 9:30 am Worship Service

10:30 am Coffee &...

Monday Tuesday

Wednesday 9:30 am Lenten Worship Service

10:30 am Lenten Brunch

Thursday Friday Saturday

Pastor

Sunday 9:30 am Worship Service

10:30 am Coffee &...

Pastor Dobberstein

SERVANT SCHEDULE

Sun, Feb 18, 9:30 AM Sun, Feb 25, 9:30 AM

Pastor Fluechtling

Usher Dave Bloom

Lay Reader Norma Allen Mary Sella

DONATIONS



FOOD PANTRY



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