

## SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

February 25, 2024

**PRELUDE 8:15**

*Christ, the Word of God Incarnate  
Christ, the Life of all the Living  
Sing Praise to the God of Israel*

*arr. D. Wood  
F. Peeters  
W. L. Wold*

**10:45** *Every Move I Make* Ruis

**WELCOME**

*Pastor Penny*

**OPENING HYMN 8:15**

*Sing Praise to the God of Israel*

*LSB 936*

- 1 Sing praise to the God of Israel! Sing praise for His visitation!  
Redeeming His people from their sin, Accomplishing their salvation,  
Upraising a mighty horn within The house of His servant David!
- 2 God spoke by the prophets long ago, His promise on oath recalling –  
To Abraham made in former years: Of vanquishing foes appalling,  
That those He delivered from their fears Might gladly and truly serve Him.
- 3 You, child, will go on before the Lord as prophet, His way preparing;  
To speak on behalf of God Most High, His counsel of truth declaring:  
Rich mercy and grace for all whereby Iniquity is forgiven.
- 4 O bright, rising Sun, now shine on us In need of illumination;  
Come scatter the shades of sin and death And shatter their domination.  
Be guiding our footsteps on the path Of peace, in Your presence dawning!

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**10:45**

*Raise A Hallelujah  
Goodness of God*

*Helser, Helser, Skaggs, Stevens  
Johnson, Cash, Ingram, Fielding, Johnson*

**OPENING**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

Pastor: Our Lenten journey continues toward the cross.

**People: It is a journey marked with suffering,**

Pastor: but suffering produces endurance.

**People: Endurance produces character.**

Pastor: Character produces hope,

**People: and hope in Christ does not put us to shame.**

*(Romans 5:3-5)*

**CONFESSION AND GOD'S FORGIVENESS**

Pastor: **(Do not print or project)** Our hope in Christ is strong and living, yet we have often taken for granted the profound reality of Christ's death for us. We have ignored how weak and ungodly we have been. Still, our heavenly Father grants us access to His throne of grace, to ask for His forgiveness.

*Silence for meditation.*

Pastor: Together we confess...

**People: Heavenly Father, we have not rejoiced in suffering but have given up easily. We have lacked integrity and acted shamefully. And we have even despaired of life itself. Have mercy upon us, and reconcile us back to You, so that we may rejoice once more, on account of Jesus. Amen.**

Pastor: At just the right time, while we were still weak and ungodly, Jesus Christ died for us and reconciled us to God and by faith you shall be saved by His life. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

## KYRIE

*LSB 152*

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**People: Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY *(Responsively)*

Pastor: Let us pray. O God, You see that of ourselves we have not the strength to obey Your Word.

**People: By Your mighty power defend us from all evil that may assault body and soul; by Your Spirit enable us to be obedient, even as Christ was obedient;**

Pastor: through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

### *Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16*

<sup>1</sup> When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, <sup>2</sup> that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly." <sup>3</sup> Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, <sup>4</sup> "Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. <sup>5</sup> No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. <sup>6</sup> I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. <sup>7</sup> And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

<sup>15</sup> And God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. <sup>16</sup> I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.

### *Romans 5:1-11*

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup> Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup> Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup> and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup> For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— <sup>8</sup> but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup> Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup> For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup> More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## 10:45 RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM

*Amelia Grace Jothen*

*Pastor Patton*

## APOSTLES' CREED

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 where He shall 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.

## **BAPTISMAL SONG**

*Forever Yours*

*Bryan VanderHill*

## **MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH**

**Mark 2:27-28** "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath."  
*[Jesus to the Pharisees]*

## **VERSE FOR LENT**

*LSB 157*

Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and abounding in steadfast love.

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

**Pastor:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eighth chapter.

**People:** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

### ***Mark 8:27-38***

<sup>27</sup> And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" <sup>28</sup> And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." <sup>29</sup> And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." <sup>30</sup> And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

<sup>31</sup> And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup> And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup> But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

<sup>34</sup> And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup> For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. <sup>36</sup> For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? <sup>37</sup> For what can a man give in return for his soul? <sup>38</sup> For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **8:15 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, True God of True 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 shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall 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.

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

*Paula Weiss*

## **SERMON HYMN**

***Christ, the Word of God Incarnate***

*LSB 540 (vv. 1, 5-6)*

1 Christ, the Word of God incarnate, Lord and Son of Abraham;  
*Christ, the radiance of the Father, Perfect God, the great I AM;*  
*Christ, the light, You shine unvanquished, Light and life You bring to all;*

*Light our path with Your own presence, Grant us grace to heed Your call.*

5 *Christ, the way that leads unfailing To the Father's home on high,  
Christ, the truth that frees the captive, Christ, the life that cannot die.  
Mediator to the Father, Sacrifice and great High Priest:  
Lead us to Your heav'nly mansions, There to share Your wedding feast.*

6 *Christ, the Alpha and Omega, Christ, the firstborn from the dead,  
Christ, the life and resurrection, Christ, the Church's glorious head:  
Praise and thanks and adoration And unending worship be  
To the Father and the Spirit And to You eternally.*

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## **GOD'S MESSAGE FOR YOU**

***Stay on the Path (Obedience)***

*Pastor Patton*

## **THE OFFERING OF GIFTS AND SIGNING OF FRIENDSHIP PADS**

**Everyone**, please sign the friendship pad, then pass the pad from the outside aisle to the inside aisle.

## **MUSICAL OFFERING 8:15**

***O Lord, throughout These Forty Days***  
*Childrens' Choir*

*Traditional (LSB 436)*

## **PRAISES AND PRAYERS**

### **THE 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.**

† **THE BENEDICTION** (God's Blessing)

## **CLOSING HYMN**

**8:15**

***Christ, the Life of All the Living***

*LSB 420 (vv. 1-2, 6-7)*

- 1 *Christ, the life of all the living, Christ, the death of death, our foe,  
Who, Thyself for me once giving To the darkest depths of woe;  
Through Thy suff'rings, death, and merit I eternal life inherit.  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus unto Thee.*
- 2 *Thou, ah! Thou, hast taken on The Bond and stripes, a cruel rod;  
Pain and scorn were heaped upon Thee, O Thou sinless Son of God!  
Thus didst Thou my soul deliver From the bonds of sin forever .  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus unto Thee.*
- 6 *Thou hast suffered great affliction And hast borne it patiently,  
Even death by crucifixion, Fully to atone for me;  
Thou didst choose to be tormented That my doom should be prevented.  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus unto Thee.*
- 7 *Then, for all that wrought my pardon, For Thy sorrows deep and sore,  
For Thine anguish in the Garden, I will thank Thee evermore,  
Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing, For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,  
For that last triumphant cry, And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.*

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**10:45**

***The Blessing***

*Brown, Carnes, Jobe, Furtick*

