

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT ~ MARCH 6, 2022



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"Being Transformed By God's Grace To Love And Serve."

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If it is uncomfortable for you to stand where indicated, please feel free to remain seated. The congregation responds where it is bold print.



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

please stand as you are able

Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism,
as the presiding minister begins.*

In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, who walks with us, and who guides us in our pilgrimage.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One,

we confess that we have wandered far from you:

we have not trusted your promises,

we have ignored your prophets in our own day,

we have squandered our inheritance of grace,

we have failed to recognize you in our midst.

Have mercy on us.

Forgive us and turn us again to you.

Teach us to follow in your ways,

assure us again of your love,

and help us to love our neighbor.

Amen.

Amen.

"O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days"

#319

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

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

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

Lord, have mer - cy.

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.

Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

A - men.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.....**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.**

please be seated

Children's Sermon

Pastor Stephen Zeller

Visio Divina

Fr. Michael Patella, OSB

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³⁰ Then Joshua built on Mount Ebal an altar to the LORD, the God of Israel, ³¹ just as Moses the servant of the LORD had commanded the Israelites, as it is written in the book of the law of Moses, "an altar of unhewn stones, on which no iron tool has been used"; and they offered on it burnt offerings to the LORD, and sacrificed offerings of well-being. ³² And there, in the presence of the Israelites, Joshua wrote on the stones a copy of the law of Moses, which he had written. ³³ All Israel, alien as well as citizen, with their elders and officers and their judges, stood on opposite sides of the ark in front of the levitical priests who carried the ark of the covenant of the

LORD, half of them in front of Mount Gerizim and half of them in front of Mount Ebal, as Moses the servant of the LORD had commanded at the first, that they should bless the people of Israel. ³⁴ And afterward he read all the words of the law, blessings and curses, according to all that is written in the book of the law. ³⁵ There was not a word of all that Moses commanded that Joshua did not read before all the assembly of Israel, and the women, and the little ones, and the aliens who resided among them. (Jos 8:29-35 NRS)

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The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. ² He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. ³ He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." ⁴ Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵ Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶ I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD." ⁷ So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸ I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. ⁹ Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." ¹⁰ I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. ¹¹ Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' ¹² Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. ¹³ And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴ I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD." (Eze 37:1-14 NRS)

please stand as you are able

Hymn of the Day

"Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song"

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Prayers of Intercession

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Sharing The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

please be seated

Offerings

please stand as you are able

Offertory

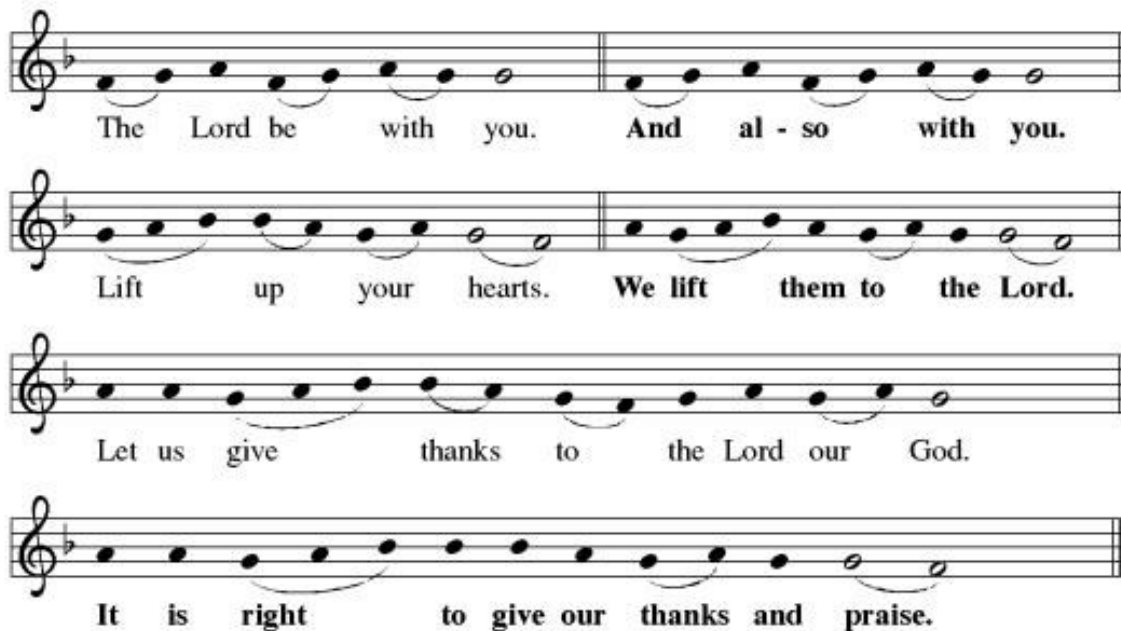
"Create In Me A Clean Heart"

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Offering Prayer

Let us pray.....Extravagant God, you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving



The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G-clef, treble clef, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are simple, mostly quarter and half notes, with some beamed eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words underlined. The first staff has a double bar line after the first phrase. The second staff also has a double bar line after the first phrase. The third and fourth staves end with double bar lines.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. 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.

give thanks and praise.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Hear, O Lord, the prayer you taught us to pray.....**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.**

please be seated
HOLY COMMUNION

At the Altar

All who believe that Jesus is present in the Bread and the Wine
and has the power to forgive are welcome to commune.

Our first table for Holy Communion this morning will be for those who do
not wish to climb the stairs. Please watch for direction from the ushers.

Red wine or white grape juice is available.

Communion Hymns

"Lamb of God"	page 146
"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"	#325
"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"	#517
"Lead Me, Guide Me"	#768

please stand as you are able

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.....Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your
body, the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in
need. **Amen.**

Blessing

You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the
journey. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, ✠ bless you this day and
always. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

"Jesus, Still Lead On"
(see next page)

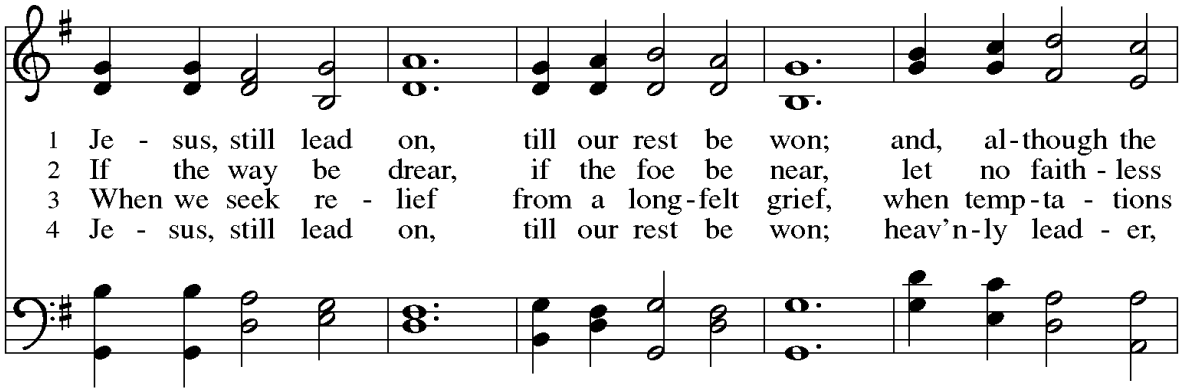
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Dismissal

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

Thanks be to God.


Jesus, Still Lead On



1 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; and, al-though the
2 If the way be drear, if the foe be near, let no faith - less
3 When we seek re - lief from a long-felt grief, when temp - ta - tions
4 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; heav'n-ly lead - er,



way be cheer - less, we will fol - low, calm and fear - less;
fears o'er - take us, let not faith and hope for - sake us;
come al - lur - ing make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing;
still di - rect us, still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us,



guide us by your hand to the prom - ised land.
safe - ly past the foe to our home we go.
show us that bright shore where we weep no more.
till we safe - ly stand in the prom - ised land.

"SEEING GOD AMONG US"



Welcome: Lent has begun: a time for both walking with Jesus toward the cross and being strengthened in our faith and knowledge of God. Welcome to worship and to the Lenten journey.

We invite everyone to enjoy coffee, snacks and fellowship before worship in the Gathering Space. Please join us!

In Our Prayers: "Unspoken prayer concerns", Taylor Prince, Jon Beckman and Kyle Luetjen.



Sharon Stelling, Phil Wellington, Dorothy Schroder (friend of Debbie Vaughan), Shirley Boose (mother of Melisa Balke), Noah Blackwell (great-nephew of Paul Fuelling), Pat Arline (friend of Taylor Vanderlinden), Rebecca Heimsoth (friend of Norma Schlesselman), Dieter Knowle (brother of Kim Knowle-Zeller), Ronnie Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marvin Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marlin & Ruth Lackas (sister & brother-in-law of Paul Fuelling), Reagan Phillips, Greg Wright (family of Jim & Kim Gumbel), Rick Osborne (friend of Gale Logan), Bill Russell (friend of Florence VonHolten), Baby Emma Ruth Eckhoff, Bill Hampton, Alex Stevens (friend of Tina Ives), Jeffery Jones (son of Bonnie Bohling), Joyce Jones (sister of Connie Gerken) and Adam Gumbel (son of Jim & Kim Gumbel).



Nursing Home: Vern Dean Bohling: *Ambrose*. Luella Viebrock, Marie Viebrock, Florence VonHolten & Cecelia Wiedemann: *GSCC*. Kathy Hallauer: *Loving Arms*.

Military: Please keep all those who have served our country past and present in your prayers, especially: ENS David M. Gardner (son of Pam Balke), Private Bradyn Hood (grandson of Connie Gerken), MSgt. Jason Ostberg (son-in-law of Suzanne Lutjen) Lt. Col. Ron Poe, Cpt. Joseph Strathman, Sgt. Russell J. Wiedemann (grandson of Cecelia Wiedemann) and Cpt. Wayne Wiedemann (grandson of Cecelia Wiedemann).



With Sympathy: We also pray for those families who have lost loved ones; family and friends of Nancy Webb (sister-in-law of Glen Webb).



Prayers: If you would like your name added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at 668-3537.

Thank You: Thanks so much to the Luther League for decoration cookies for us! We loved you bringing us cookies for Valentines Day. How nice of you and to us it shows what a great bunch of youth at St. Paul's. Thanks, Ambrose Park Residents and Staff



Art Project: We're looking for **old magazines and catalogs** to use for an art project here at church in the next few weeks. If you have any that you can give to us please drop them off at the church in the next few weekends. Thank you!

LBPS: Little Blessing Preschool will be in session on Tuesday, **March 8th** and Wednesday, **March 9th** from 8:00am until 11:15pm in the church basement.



Council: The Council will meet on Tuesday, **March 8th** at 7:30pm.

Lenten Season: Lenten activities will begin on Wednesday, **March 9th**. Breakfast hosted by the CCACA will be at 7:30am (*Please note: If Cole Camp schools are closed due to weather, the breakfast will also be cancelled that day.*). Then at 6:00pm we will enjoy a Simple Supper. After our meal we will have worship service at 7:00pm followed by fellowship time. All of these activities will take place in the Fellowship Hall.



"Simple Supper": Each Wednesday prior to the weekly Lenten service, a "simple supper" will be served in the fellowship hall beginning at 6:00 p.m. Each week, "supper" will include a chili and a soup with a side of either hot dogs or sandwiches. A kitchen crew will help with the set up and serving. Individuals are being contacted regarding the preparation of soups and chili. There will be a weekly announcement in the bulletin regarding the soup and chili being served. Suppers will begin on Wednesday, **March 9th**. Contact Janice for any questions.

Meeting: The Parish Education Committee will meet on Wednesday, **March 9th** at 8:00pm.



Health Care: The Benton County Health Department will be here on Thursday, **March 10th** from 8:00am until 10:00am to help you with your health care needs.



Baptismal Grace: Sunday, **March 13th** Jeff, Garrett Grady, Gannon and Gracynn Elliott will be washed clean in the waters of Holy Baptism. Kristen Elliott will re-join St. Paul's family at this time. We welcome them into the fellowship of faith that we all share through baptismal grace of God.

Time: Daylight Saving Time will begin on Sunday, **March 13th**. Be sure and set you clocks forward.



~ * ~ **IN OUR COMMUNITY** ~ * ~



Soup & Chili: The Cole Camp Antique Tractor Association will host a soup and chili dinner along with a silent auction on Sunday, **March 20th**. Serving time will be from 11:00am until 1:00pm at the American Legion Building. This is a free will offering.

Got dirt?: Sam Cash is building a community garden at his high school, with the produce to be used at the school and Community Cafe. Once the raised beds are built they need to be filled with soil. Would you donate a bag or two of Miracle-Gro soil or make a financial contribution to purchase some? Donations can be dropped off at church. Thanks for your help!



The start of ***The Saint John's Bible*** illumination exhibit is here! Throughout the five weeks of Lent we will have seventeen prints from *The Saint John's Bible*, the first handwritten and illuminated Bible since the invention of the printing press. It is an incredible work of art and theology that offers us an opportunity to experience the Word of God in a new way.



This exhibit kicks off on **Sunday, March 6th**, with a special program and the first opportunity to view the prints. We welcome Rev. Michael Patella, Professor of New Testament at Saint John's University, and chairperson of the Committee on Illumination and Text for *The Saint John's Bible*. The schedule for March 6th is:

- 9:00 am - Sunday School class about monasticism and scripture w/ Fr. Patella
- 10:00 am - We will utilize illuminations with our scripture readings in worship
- 11:15 am - Catered lunch in the Fellowship Hall (RSVPs requested)
- 12:15 pm - Presentation with Fr. Patella about the creation of *The Saint John's Bible* and seeing more of the images.

Throughout Lent, the Fellowship Hall will be open with hours available for **public viewing of the illuminations**. Please help us spread the word about this opportunity to view the images between March 10th and April 2nd on:

Thursdays: 12:00 noon - 7:00 pm • Fridays: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Saturdays: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Other days of the week are by appointment - please call the church office.

Volunteers are needed and welcomed to be present in the Fellowship Hall during those public hours to welcome visitors. Please contact Pastor Stephen if you are able to volunteer your time.

We will also worship with and utilize the prints and illuminations during our Wednesday **midweek Lenten services**, which will be held in the Fellowship Hall. **Lenten Breakfasts** with the Church Alliance will also happen in the Fellowship Hall and offers another opportunity to experience the illuminations.

LENTEN SCHEDULE

First Week in Lent March 9th 6:00pm Simple Supper ~ 7:00pm Worship
Second Week in Lent..... March 16th 6:00pm Simple Supper ~ 7:00pm Worship
Third Week in Lent..... March 23th 6:00pm Simple Supper ~ 7:00pm Worship
Fourth Week in Lent..... March 30th 6:00pm Simple Supper ~ 7:00pm Worship
Fifth Week in Lent..... April 6th 6:00pm Simple Supper ~ 7:00pm Worship

Palm Sunday..... April 10th 10:00am - Procession of Palms & Passion Reading
Maundy Thursday..... April 14th 7:00pm - Stripping of the Altar
Good Friday April 15th 7:00pm - Jesus' Seven Last Words
Easter Saturday April 16th 5:30pm - Easter Vigil
Easter Sunrise..... April 17th 7:00am - Breakfast to Follow
Easter Service April 17th 10:00am - Holy Communion

Lenten Activities

There will be a Lenten breakfast hosted by Cole Camp Area Church Alliance at St. Paul's Church each Wednesday morning beginning on **March 9th** at 7:30am. We encourage everyone to attend! (Please note: If Cole Camp schools are closed due to weather, the breakfast will also be cancelled that day.)

A simple supper will be served before each Lenten worship service. The supper will begin at 6:00pm and end at approximately 6:45, to allow the volunteers time for clean-up.

To insure that there are enough cookies each week, each family is asked to provide cookies according to the following schedule. Additionally, please note the organizations asked to serve for each of the five services.

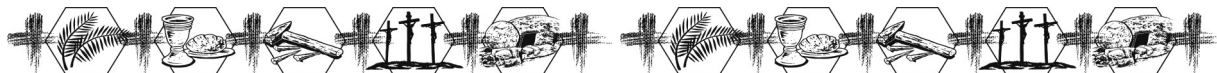
After worship cookies, coffee and hot cocoa will be served in the Fellowship Hall.

March 9th A - E WELCA Executive Board
March 16th F - H Luther League
March 23th I - P Congregational Council
March 30th R - T Junior Lutherans
April 6th V - Z Esther Circle

A special thank you to all the volunteers who will
be helping to ensure our Lenten worship is a success!

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Ministers	.....	The Whole Congregation
Presiding Minister	.....	Pastor Stephen Zeller
Organist	.....	Lois Viebrock
Pianist	.....	Jeannette VonHolten
Altar Guild	.....	Glenalee Dillon & Suzanne Lutjen
Ushers	.....	Kelly Viebrock, Assistant Head Usher
.....	.....	Jim Gumbel, Mark Oelrichs, Justin Tinney & Bruce Wienberg



First Sunday of Lent ~ March 6, 2022

Assisting Minister	.....	Connie Gerken
Communion Assistants	.....	At the Altar
Reader	.....	None
Children's Sermon	.....	Pastor Stephen Zeller
Acolytes	.....	Wyatt Keith & Jace Tinney
Flowers	.....	Paula Goosen
Fellowship Hour	.....



Second Sunday of Lent ~ March 13, 2022

Assisting Minister	.....	Darin Oelrichs
Communion Assistants	.....	Virgil & Diann Holsten
Reader	.....	Sara & Logan Jackson
Children's Sermon	.....	Janice Gerken
Acolytes	.....	Shelby Nash & Leighton Tinney
Flowers	.....	Sandy Schlesselman
Fellowship Hour	.....