



## Second Sunday in Lent

March 16, 2025

*“To know Christ and make Him known”*

**Welcome!** We hope and pray that your worship experience is a blessing. Please take time to sign the guest book. **Please join us** afterward for fellowship.

**As We Gather:** How’s your faith? Is it firm, steadfast, and strong? Or do you find that it seems to be growing weak, uncertain, or even in danger of disappearing at times? As we follow our Lord in this Lenten season, leading up to the distressing events of Holy Week, we are warned today that the same opposition, rejection, and betrayal faced by prophets like Jeremiah, and even Jesus, will also face us as His followers. What did He mean when He said, “You will be hated by all for My name’s sake”? (Luke 21:17). But rather than a dire prediction, Jesus said, “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on My account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is

great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you” (Matthew 5:11–12). When challenges arise and temptations overwhelm, we are reminded to remember and observe examples of faith, such as the apostle Paul in his many struggles and even our Lord Himself whose faith and confidence in His Father’s gracious design made Him endure “the cross, despising the shame” with the prospect of His certain victory and eternal placement at the right hand of the throne of God (Hebrews 12:2). That certainty is ours. Faith hangs on to the promise “I am coming soon. Hold fast what you have, so that no one may seize your crown” (Revelation 3:11). Or as Paul says, “Therefore, my brothers, . . . my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord” (Philippians 4:1).

+++ IN NO MINE JESU +++  
(In the Name of Jesus)

Prelude .....	<i>God Be Merciful to Me</i> – J. S. Bach
Opening Hymn.....	<i>Jerusalem, My Happy Home</i> , On Screen/LSB 673
Confession and Absolution (Creative Worship & DS setting 3) .....	On Screen/LSB 184
Introit.....	On Screen
Kyrie .....	On Screen/LSB 186
Salutation and Prayer of the Day	
Old Testament Reading – Jeremiah 26:8-15 .....	On Screen/See back cover
Psalm 4; antiphon v. 8.....	On Screen
Epistle – Philippians 3:17–4:1 .....	On Screen/See back cover
Lenten Verse .....	On Screen/LSB 157
Gospel Reading – Luke 13:31-35 .....	On Screen/See back cover
Nicene Creed .....	On Screen/See back cover
Sermon Hymn .....	<i>Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart</i> , On Screen/LSB 708
Sermon	
Prayer of the Church .....	On Screen
<b>Sharing of the Peace</b> - you may greet one another (e.g. handshake, nod, elbow/fist bump) in the name of the Lord, saying, “Peace be with you,” as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).	
Offering/Offertory.....	On Screen/LSB 192
The Communion Liturgy .....	On Screen/LSB 194
Lord’s Prayer.....	On Screen/LSB back cover
Distribution and Hymns.....	LSB 730, and 637
Communion Interlude .....	<i>God Loved the World</i> by John Eggert
Nunc Dimittis.....	On Screen/LSB 199
Thanksgiving.....	On Screen/LSB 200

Benedicamus and Benediction..... On Screen/LSB 202  
 Closing Hymn..... *On Eagles' Wings*, On Screen/LSB 727  
 Postlude..... *I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ* – J. C. Bach

A *nursery* is available for children 0-5 adjacent to the water fountain in the fellowship hall.  
Closed-circuit TV of the worship service is available both in the nursery and fellowship hall.

**PRAYER LIST:**

**Those at care facilities or at home:**

**Those who mourn:**

**Military:** For all service people stationed overseas and those at home –

**Illness & Recovery:** Gina Beeson, Daisy Ray Dever, Rosanne DeMarti, Mrs. Farris, Sue Gill, Jennifer Hall, Susan High, Al Klang, Helga Klang, Tom Maki, Johnathan McNeil, Javi Pinêiro, Yvonne Pye, Caleb Roche, William Rymer, Henry Sorquist, Scott Sorquist, Oliver Strobel Sr., Bud Theis, Steven Walrath, Jack Weisbrodt, Cassandra Weisbecker, Sheila Williamson, and Jason Wood;

**General:** Alex Cline, Dever family, Walt Hartley, Kathy Jett, and Helen King family/friends;

**The Persecuted Church and Those Affected by Disaster:**

**Announcements:**

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This week's *memory verse* is **2 Corinthians 5:14–15** For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

- This Week -

**Sunday:** Sunday School 9:00 am  
 Adult Bible Study\* 9:30 am  
 Communion Worship\* 10:30 am  
 Council 12:45 pm  
 New Member 4 pm

**Tuesday:** Circuit Pastors Meeting  
 Please pray 4 Kelly Place 2 pm  
 Confirmation 3:30 pm

Women's Bible study 7 pm (Zoom only)  
**Wednesday:** Women's Bible study\* 10 am  
 Lenten Supper 6 pm  
 Lenten Worship 7 pm  
**Friday:** Men's Lunch Noon  
**Sunday:** Sunday School 9:00 am  
 Adult Bible Study\* 9:30 am  
 Worship\* 10:30 am  
 Book Club 2 pm  
 New Member 4 pm

\* Online and in person

Diaper pounding for Matt, Kaitlyn, Henry and baby (Daisy) Hencinski is TODAY!



This month's mission of the month: Camp Dixie! **LOOK** for the camper to give a gift or pick up a sponsorship form! Thank you for your generosity in this ministry.

**➔ Men's Lunch at Taco's Way Friday, March 21 at Noon!**



*Week-long* Spring Cleanup opportunities this year, on the week of April 6-12. A list of projects will be available. *Actual date: April 12*

*Come and go on your schedule or meet up on Saturday!*

**Are you interested in becoming a member?**

A new class has started – let the Pastor know you are interested or contact the church office. Sundays at 4 PM.

**Those Who Serve – Organist/Piano:** Cynthia Campbell; **Altar Guild:** Cindy Kelly; **Today** – Reader: Jeff Kelly; Usher/Greeter: Kelly family; Sound: Dan Dicus; Counter: Kelly family; **Next Week** – Reader: Scott VanHoveln; Usher/Greeter: VanHoveln family; Sound: Dan Dicus; Counter: Maxwell family

**Attendance for Sun. March 9:** 5 on zoom, 61 in person Year-to-date income received: \$55,004.76; Year-to-date income budget: \$38,567.31; Received last week: \$4,077.05

Lent



**About the Cover**

When it feels as though everything around us is crumbling, Jesus offers us the foundation we can stand firm on: Him! He has accomplished what we could not. His cross stands as a testament to His determination and love for us. By dying on the cross and rising again, Christ won for us the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.

Therefore, in all trials and temptations, we can stand firm in Christ alone.

**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

**Old Testament Reading:  
Jeremiah 26:8–15**

<sup>8</sup>When Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, “You shall die! <sup>9</sup>Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, “This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant?” And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

<sup>10</sup>When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king’s house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD. <sup>11</sup>Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, “This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears.”

<sup>12</sup>Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, “The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. <sup>13</sup>Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the LORD your God, and the LORD will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. <sup>14</sup>But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. <sup>15</sup>Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the LORD sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears.”

**Epistle: Philippians 3:17–4:1**

<sup>17</sup>Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup>For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

<sup>4:1</sup>Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

**Holy Gospel: Luke 13:31–35**

<sup>31</sup>At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” <sup>32</sup>And he said to them, “Go and tell that fox, ‘Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course. <sup>33</sup>Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.’ <sup>34</sup>O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! <sup>35</sup>Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’”

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