

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 19, 2023



HOPE EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

Land O' Lakes, Wisconsin

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

Church Office: (906) 544-2259

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Divine Service: Sunday 9:30 AM

Midweek Lenten Service: Wednesday 1:00 PM

Sunday Morning Bible Study: 8:15 AM

Children's Ministry: Wednesday 4:00 – 5:15 PM

*"One thing I have asked of the LORD, that I may dwell
in the house of the LORD all the days of my life."*

PRAYER UPON ENTERING

Dearest Jesus, how great is Your love for us! How deep Your compassion! How tender Your mercies! Accept our humble thanks for the priceless gift of salvation. May Your love for us and the sacrifice You made for our redemption ever be our most precious possession. With grateful and joyous hearts, we offer You our worship and praise this day. In Your name, O Savior. Amen.

WELCOME to all who worship with us this morning! We pray that you will be strengthened through the proclamation of the great good news of salvation in Jesus Christ. If you are without a church home, we invite you to prayerfully consider Hope. If there is some way that we may be of help to you, please speak with our Pastor. Worship with us again soon!

HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated in our worship. We believe that in the Sacrament God offers His very body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. We welcome to the Lord's Table those who embrace this understanding of the nature of the Sacrament, repent of their sins, and seek to forgive and love as Christ forgives and loves us. We believe that such participation is a statement of agreement with our Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. For those with special needs, grape juice is in the center of the tray. Gluten-free hosts are also available. Please inform Pastor of your need.

WORSHIP NOTES

ORDER OF SERVICE - Divine Service Setting Four, p. 203

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SERMON *"Bearing Your Cross"* John 9:1ff.

Serving in God's House Today

Our Pastor:	Rev. Gary Albert
Acolyte:	Otto Bramstadt
Elder on Duty:	Jim Holbrook
Greeter:	Gary Chapman
Altar Guild:	Joan Hojan
Bulletin Sponsors:	Kirk & Karen Weaver
Reader:	Bob Vogt
Organist:	Jolene Albert

Rite of Fellowship Cards – We ask our members and guests to please complete a Fellowship Card and then pass them toward the center aisle. The cards will be collected right after the **Welcome** at the beginning of the service. Thank you!

New Member Welcome - This morning we are privileged to welcome our newest members to our church family: Bill & Cheryl Gyzen, Bill & Rin Hansen, Janet Kompas, and Kay Yanke. Plan to join us for a reception in the Fellowship Hall following worship.

Upcoming Choir Rehearsals are scheduled for **this morning** and for next Sunday morning, immediately following Fellowship.

Midweek Lenten Services continue each Wednesday afternoon at 1:00 PM. Our Lenten theme will focus on *The Seven Last Words of Christ*. Seven times Jesus spoke from the cross and each of these seven last words still speak to us today as they remind us that the death of Christ is the clearest expression of God's redeeming love for all mankind. This Wednesday we will consider Jesus' words, *"I Thirst."* Plan to join us for each of these midweek Lenten services. And invite a family member, neighbor, or friend to join you!

Weekday School and Confirmation Instruction Classes will **NOT MEET** on **Wednesday, March 29** and **April 5**. Classes resume on Wednesday, April 12.

April Newsletter Deadline - Please have any information for the April newsletter to Pastor by Tuesday of this week. Thank you!

The LOL Food Pantry focus this month is Kleenex and toilet tissue. There is a basket in the Narthex for your donations. Thank you for your continuing support of the Food Pantry!

Bible Collection - We are collecting Bibles for a group called *Bible Runners* that collects used Bibles and makes them available to people who do not have a copy of the Scripture. Bibles are given to people here at home and around the world. There is a box in the entryway for placing your donations. Thank you for your support of this special project!

Help Wanted – Volunteers are needed to manage the kitchen every Sunday. Please see Cheryl Chapman if you can help. Thank you.

Birthday wishes go out this week to Carl Knoll (Today). May God bless you in the coming year!

Prayer List – Please keep the following in your prayers: For those dealing with health issues: Jan Bathke, Julie Baxter, Sallee Gehrt, Bethany Goers, Kristine Hoessel, Laurie Johnson, Ashley Oberg, Jean Trispel, Tom Behling, Mike Bruning, Willie Crawford, Gary Gehrt, David Gunderson, Duane Heikkinen, Rick Lapp, Paul Schultz, & Dave Steffen. Our homebound members: Florence Ninko, Jill James & Augusta Santy Specht. For our mission partners: the Bakers in Mongolia, the Cortrights.; the Olivers in Taiwan, the Lehmanns in Puerto Rico, the Cundiffs & Bombaros in Latvia. For our seminarian Daniel Bueckman. For all who govern at the federal, state and local level. For our persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ. For peace in our world and nation.

A Measure of Our Love

Attendance at March 12th Worship Service: 28
Offering Envelopes: \$800.00 Loose Plate: \$45.00

In case of emergency or hospitalization, please contact Pastor Albert at home in Marshfield at 715-384-2855, or on his cell phone at 715-323-8874. You may also e-mail him at gmalbert@charter.net. Please inform us if you are going to be homebound for a period of time.

LUNCH PRAYER: Come Lord Jesus, be our Guest, our morning joy, our evening rest. And with our daily bread impart, Thy love and peace to every heart. Amen.