



Lent

*Create in me
a clean heart,
O God, and
renew a right
spirit within me.*

PSALM 51:10, ESV

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

February 26, 2023

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We welcome you in the name of the Lord Jesus. We are honored with your presence. If you do not have a church home, you are invited to join us regularly. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Jeremy Lucke or one of the Ushers as you leave today and sign the guest book in the entryway. We continue to observe the guidelines for health safety. If you have any questions, please see an usher. Everyone is welcome.

The ringing of the bell and the lighting of the Christ candle mark the beginning of our service and a time for quiet meditation, prayer and inward reflection as we begin our worship.

Children are welcome at our worship services. If you prefer, Peace Lutheran has a playroom equipped for children three years old and younger. The room is unstaffed and can be accessed in the fellowship hall where the service is also being live streamed for your convenience and enjoyment.

Holy Communion is celebrated every first and third Sunday and will follow the order of service in the bulletin. If you are a baptized Christian and share our faith in Jesus as Savior and have been instructed in the meaning and use of the Lord's Supper, you are invited to partake. We have pre-wrapped communion wine or juice and wafers. We also have gluten-free wafers available. If you desire a gluten-free wafer, ask the server. May the body and blood of Jesus, present in the bread and wine, be a blessing to you.

There are times during the service when you will be asked to stand if you are able. Please feel free to remain seated if standing is difficult.

Offering. Peace Lutheran Church understands and teaches that Offerings are voluntary and to be from the heart. Whether we give or do not give does not determine our salvation. Whether we give much or little does not determine our standing before God. Sharing an Offering is an opportunity to quietly practice generosity with our neighbors. Offerings may be placed in the plates by the doors as we exit the sanctuary.

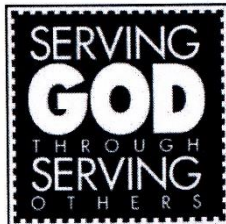
Serving You

Pastor	Pastor Jeremy Lucke
Music Director	Colleen Schulze
Choir Director	Diane Crocker
Supt. Of Sunday School	Brandy Stokes & Karyn Stanley
Admin Assistant	Daniel Dusek
Parish Nurse	Kathy Durling
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Today , February 26, 2023

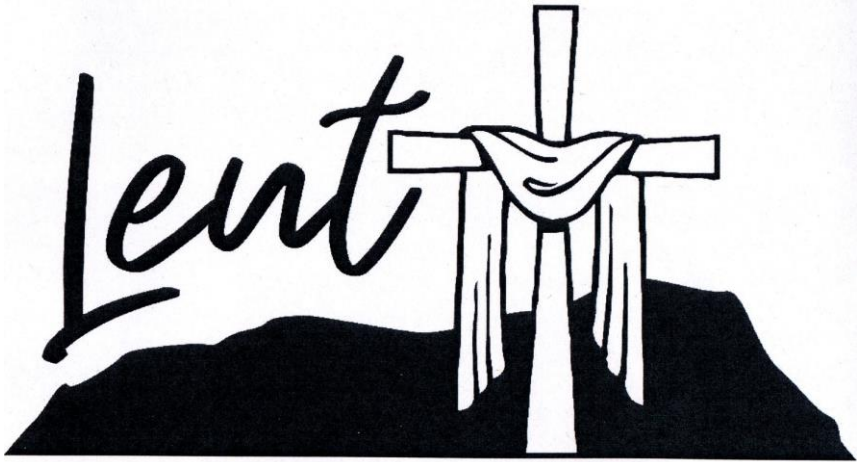
Musician	Colleen Schulze
Reader	Margaret Philpott
Ushers	Boy Scouts
Children's Message	Pastor Lucke
Flowers	Maggie Baker
Fellowship	Boy Scouts



PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

AS WE GATHER... Today is the First Sunday in Lent as we make our annual journey with Christ to the cross. Though the Sundays in Lent are not technically part of this somber season, they do reflect the same penitential theme that characterizes our forty days of prayerful devotion and repentance. Today we watch as Jesus faces the slick lies of the tempter. He does not face them on His own but in the strength and power of God's Word and truth. God's strength and power are with us too. Today is a reminder to not fight our battles alone.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS



CHOIR ANTHEM "God Gives Us a Future with Hope"

by Pepper Choplin.

Surely I know the plans I have for you,
plans for your welfare and not for harm.
Surely I know the plans I have for you,
plans for a future that's full of hope.

Our God lives, our God loves,
and gives us a future with hope.
Our God hears, our God cares,
and gives us a future with hope.
Our God gives a future.

Surely I know the plans I have for you,
plans for your welfare and not for harm.
Surely I know the plans I have for you,
plans for a future that's full of hope, so full of hope.

Our God lives, our God loves,
and gives us a future with hope.
Our God hears, our God cares,
and gives us a future with hope.

If you call Me, I will answer.
If you pray to Me, I will hear.
When you search for Me,
I will be there.
When you seek Me with all your heart,
you'll find Me, you will find Me.

We know our God lives, our God loves,
and gives us a future with hope.
Our God hears, our God cares,
and gives us a future with hope.

So look to the future, embrace the future,
God gives the future, God gives us hope!

INVOCATION

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the * Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

~~~~~Silence for reflection~~~~~

Leader: Most merciful God,

**People: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Leader: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. People: Amen.

Dick Grout; Frederick Henry Hedge; Martin Luther; Words: Public Domain; Music:  
2015 Grout, Dick

A mighty fortress is our God,  
A sword and shield victorious;  
He breaks the cruel oppressor's rod  
And wins salvation glorious.  
The old satanic foe  
Has sworn to work us woe!  
With craft and dreadful might  
He arms himself to fight.  
On earth he has no equal.

God's Word forever shall abide,  
No thanks to foes, who fear it;  
For God himself fights by our side  
With weapons of the Spirit.  
Were they to take our house,  
Goods, honor, child, or spouse,  
Though life be wrenched away,  
They cannot win the day.  
The Kingdom's ours forever!

**SALUTATION**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Almighty God, Your Son was led into the wilderness by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan. Come quickly to help us who, because of our weaknesses, are assaulted by many temptations. Give each one of us strength and victory through Jesus Christ the Conqueror, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE LESSONS

### Old Testament : Genesis 3:1-21 .

*The disastrous fall of mankind into sin.*

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?'"

<sup>2</sup> And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden,

<sup>3</sup> but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.' " <sup>4</sup> But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die.

<sup>5</sup> For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

<sup>6</sup> So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate.

<sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

<sup>8</sup> And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.



9 But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup> And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself."

<sup>11</sup> He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"

<sup>12</sup> The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate."

<sup>13</sup> Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."  
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<sup>14</sup> The Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup> I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

<sup>16</sup> To the woman he said, "I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be contrary to your husband, but he shall rule over you."

<sup>17</sup> And to Adam he said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life;

<sup>18</sup> thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field.

<sup>19</sup> By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

<sup>20</sup> The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. <sup>21</sup> And the Lord God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup> And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry.

<sup>3</sup> And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread."

<sup>4</sup> But he answered, "It is written, " 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.' "

<sup>5</sup> Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple

<sup>6</sup> and said to 'him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, " 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and " 'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.' "

<sup>7</sup> Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.' "

<sup>8</sup> Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory.

<sup>9</sup> And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."

<sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written, " 'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.' "

<sup>11</sup> Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

# Children's CHURCH

## SERMON HYMN: "You Are My All in All"

Dennis Jernigan, 1991 Shepherd's Heart Music, Inc. (Admin. by PraiseCharts Publishing, Inc.)

You are my strength when I am weak,  
You are the Treasure that I seek, You are my All in All.  
Seeking You as a precious jewel,  
Lord to give up I'd be a fool.  
You are my All in All.  
Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.  
Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,  
rising again I bless Your name.  
You are my All in All.  
When I fall down, You pick me up;  
When I am dry, You fill my cup.  
You my All in All  
Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.  
Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.

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## **SERMON**

"Sitting in the Passenger's Seat"

Pastor Jeremy Lucke

[Part 1](#)

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## **CREED**

**People: 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 thence He will 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.**

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: Hear Your people, O Lord, who cry to You on behalf of all people in need and through the blessed name of Jesus. That in the face of temptation and trial, we stand firm in the strength of the Lord, who was tempted like us, yet did not sin, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: That the Lord grant wisdom and obedience to our nation's leaders and to the leaders of the whole world, that peace reign between the nations and that the culture of violence end and our hearts no longer fear, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: That all who suffer be relieved, those who are sick be healed, the dying be comforted, and the grieving endure in hope through the resurrection of our Lord, (especially . . .), let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: That we be slow to judge others and quick to forgive in Christ's name, that we bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the call to love one another, and that we regularly offer prayers, supplications, and intercessions for all as they have need, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves, those on whose behalf we have prayed, and for all those in any need, trusting that Your mercy will supply us all things needful and keep from us all things harmful, through Jesus Christ.

**People: Lord, have mercy. Amen.**

## 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

## BENEDICTION

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**People: Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN:

## "This is My Father's World"

Text: Malbie D. Babcock, 1858-1901, Tune: Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852-1930, adapt.; 01978 by Lutheran Church in America, The American Lutheran Church, The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Canada, The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears all nature sings, and  
round me rings the music of the spheres.

This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of  
skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world; the birds their carols raise; the morning light,  
the lily white, declare their maker's praise.

This is my Father's world;  
He shines in all that's fair.  
in the rustling grass I hear him pass;  
He speaks to me ev'ry where.

This is my Father's world; oh, let me not forget that, though the wrong  
seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.

This is my Father's world, why should my heart be sad?  
The Lord is king, let the heavens ring;  
God reigns, let the earth be glad!

## DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## POST-SERVICE MUSIC

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS.** We will be continuing soup Supper this week on Wednesday, March 1. The supper will start at 5:00pm and service at 6:00pm. Please check the sign-up sheets are in the hallway between the Narthex and Fellowship Hall to see if you can bring something to share.

**NEW LENTEN DEVOTION BOOK.** We have some new devotional books titled "Man of Sorrows, People of Joy" for the season of Lent. They are available on the table in the Narthex.

**SPEAKING THE TRUTH IN LOVE...** Come and join a new Bible Study opportunity continuing next Sunday, March 5 at 9:00am in the Sanctuary. There has been a lot of conversation around the issue of race within society and within the church. The Northwest District of the Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod has produced a collection of materials to assist in discussions on race for our churches. Pastor Lucke will guide us through the materials over 5 weeks. Consider attending. Here is what we'll be discussing.

March 5 "Love Actively Crosses Barriers"

March 12 "Love is Active"

**NEW BIBLE STUDY.** David Leding will be leading a new Bible Study starting on March 19<sup>th</sup>. His study is based on the book, "On Being a Theologian of the Cross" by Gerhard Forde. This study helps us to better understand suffering and what exactly Jesus' death on the cross means for living today.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST.** The monthly Men's Breakfast be held next Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30am. We will be making plans for the Easter Morning Pancake Breakfast. Please let Oscar know if you are planning on attending to make sure we have enough food.



