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Sunday, February 28, 2021 The Second Sunday in Lent

Service Notes:

- The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.
- Please sign the friendship registry in the pews before the service or during the offering. If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please note your request.

 Holy Communion will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship.

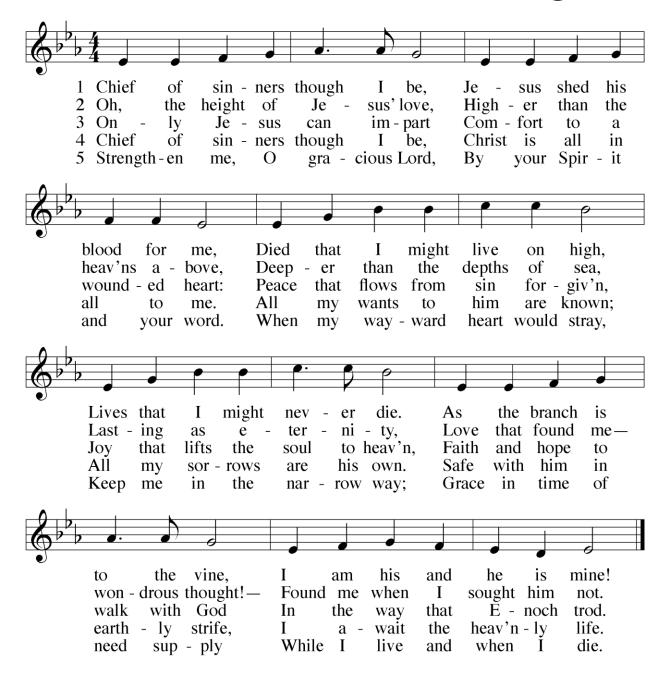
THE COMMON SERVICE (page 15)

OPENING HYMN: #385 "Chief of Sinners Though I Be"

STAND

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Chief of Sinners Though I Be



Text: William McComb, 1793-c. 1870, alt.

Tune: GETHSEMANE (77 77 77) Richard Redhead, 1820–1901.

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

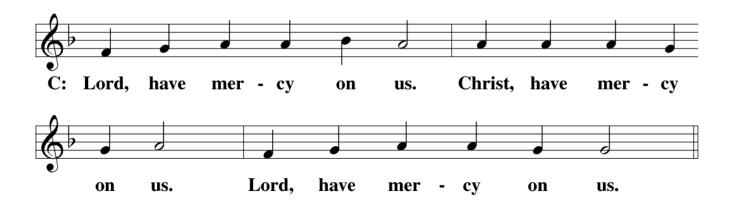


CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY (Kyrie)



M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called 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.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

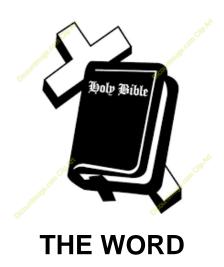


M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you see that we have no power to defend ourselves. Guard and keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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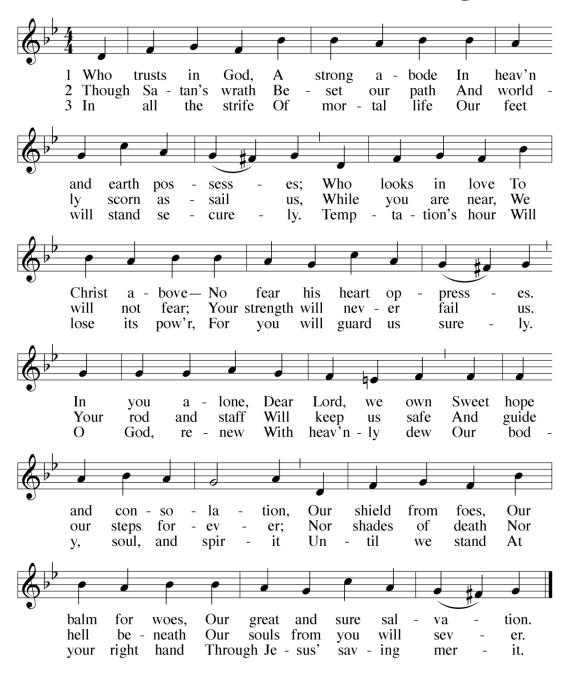
FIRST LESSON: Genesis 28:10-17

¹⁰ Jacob left Beersheba and went toward Haran. ¹¹ And he came to a certain place and stayed there that night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place to sleep. ¹² And he dreamed, and behold, there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven. And behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it! ¹³ And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. The land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring. 14 Your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed. 15 Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land. For I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." 16 Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it." 17 And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 73

The congregation will sing Hymn #447 "Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode"

447 Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode



Text: Joachim Magdeburg, c. 1525–after 1583, st. 1; *Harmonia cantionum*, Leipzig, 1597, st. 2-3; tr. Benjamin H. Kennedy, 1804–89, alt.

Tune: WAS MEIN GOTT WILL (447 447 D Iambic) Claude de Sermisy, c. 1490–1562, alt.

SECOND LESSON: Romans 5:1-11

5 Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ² 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.

³ More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ 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.

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

VERSE OF THE DAY (spoken by the pastor)

Jesus humbled himself and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. (Philippians 2:8b cf.)

STAND

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



GOSPEL: Mark 8:31-38

³¹ 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. ³² And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ 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."

³⁴ 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. ³⁵ For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. ³⁶ For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? ³⁷ For what can a man give in return for his soul? ³⁸ 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."



NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,

and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the (+) life of the world to come. Amen.

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HYMN OF THE DAY: #434 "Lord, You I Love with All My Heart"

434 Lord, You I Love with All My Heart



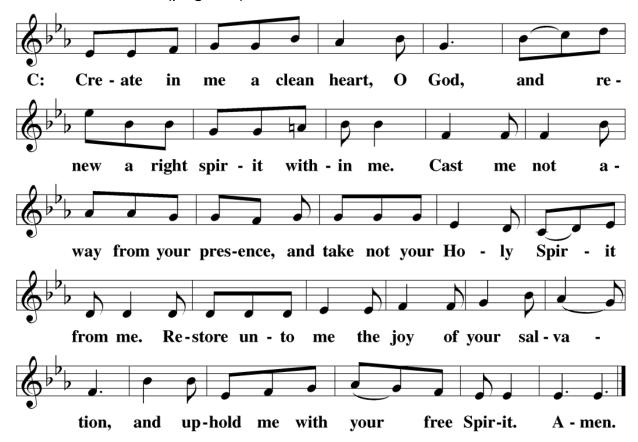
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Tune: HERZLICH LIEB HAB ICH DICH, O HERR (887 887 88 88 488) Zwey Bücher . . . Tabulatur, Strassburg,

1577, alt.

SERMON

STAND
PSALM 51 RESPONSE (page 20)



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE SEASON OF LENT (Page 125)

M: Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to liberate us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.

C: We confess that without your love we are lost.

M: Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

C: Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.

M: Let us pray for those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and their values as Christians.

C: By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.

M: Let us pray for those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, those victimized by war and injustice, and all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.

C: Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.

M: Let us pray for those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.

C: Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

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LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

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Please use this time for personal preparation or meditation before the Lord's Supper. A form to assist you is on page 156 in the front part of the hymnal.

NOTE: Please be prepared to receive the host in your outstretched hand, rather than your mouth.

STAND



PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



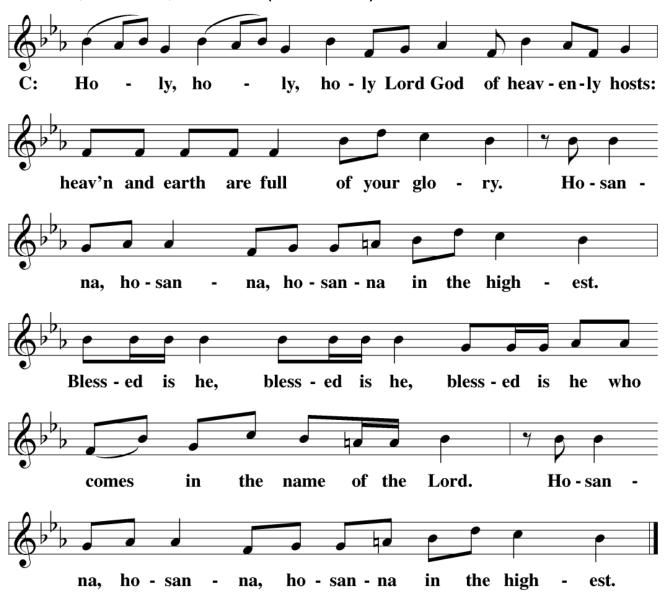
M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and

everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Sanctus)



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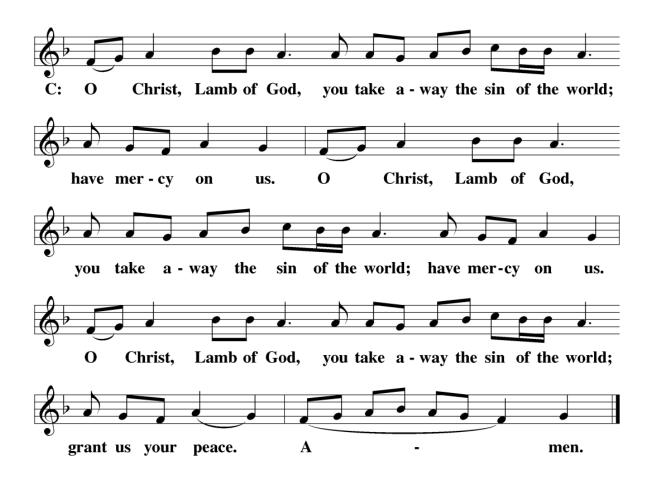
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (Agnus Dei)



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DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

#347 "Jesus! And Shall It Ever Be"

#422 "Jesus, Lead Us On"

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Jesus! and Shall It Ever Be



Text: Joseph Grigg, c. 1722–68, abr.; altered by Benjamin Francis, 1734–99. Tune: FEDERAL STREET (LM) Henry K. Oliver, 1800–85.



Jesus, Lead Us On



Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–60, adapt.; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–97, alt. Tune: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM (55 88 55) Adam Drese, 1620–1701.

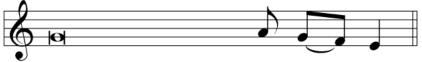
THANKSGIVING (page 24)

STAND

SONG OF SIMEON (Nunc dimittis)



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

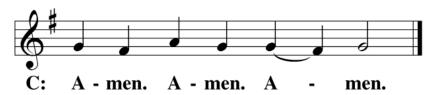
O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service

-10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

Tuesday - 7:00 PM Meetings for Board of Stewardship/Education and

Trustees

- 8:00 PM Church Council Meeting

Wednesday - 10:00 AM Online Bible Class

- 7:00 PM Lenten Midweek Service:

"Hands of Misguided Zeal" (John 18:4-11)

Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service

- 10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

Altar flowers for the months of February and March are graciously provided by Warren and Arlette Stobbe, to the glory of God

Serving our congregation: Altar Guild (3/7) – Jan Jacobi Ushering - Wednesday (3/3) Team 4; Sunday (3/7) Team 1

Lenten Schedule of Wednesday Services: The Hands of the Passion

Date	Sermon Text	Sermon Theme	Celebrant
March 3	John 18:4-11	Hands of Misguided Zeal (Peter)	Pastor Schroeder
March 10	Mark 14:55-65	Hands of Hypocrisy (Caiaphas)	Pastor Schaefer
March 17	Matthew 27:27- 31	Hands of Brutality (Soldiers)	Pastor Frey
March 24	Matthew 27:15- 26	Hands of Self-Preservation (Pilate)	Pastor Schroeder

IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE: We ask that you disperse in the sanctuary (practice social distancing). For Holy Communion we will have smaller communion tables so that you are able to spread out along the communion rail. Offerings will be gathered at the entrance to the sanctuary. Pastor and communion assistants will practice handwashing and/or other safe practices; in addition, the officiants will wear masks for the distribution. Because of the increase in COVID-19 cases, all are asked to wear a face covering while in the church. Ushers will assist by ushering you from the pew following the service. Please do not gather in the narthex. The church building will receive a thorough cleaning and disinfecting every week. If you are unable to attend yet, Pastor Schaefer will be glad to make arrangements with you for private Communion. We are posting the entire service on our website after each service.

Registration for Preschool and Parent and Tot: Registration is now open to everyone. There are packets in the Narthex. Please feel free to share with friends and relatives with young children. There is an Early Bird Special for those who register by March 1st. Info is in packet. (See the next page.)

Huron Valley Lutheran High School Activities -

Basketball season is in full swing and the teams have been enjoying being out on the court. Attendance is limited to 2 spectators per athlete, but we have been able to stream games through the NFHS Network. Last week students participated in homecoming spirit days and decorating the "walls". Check out our facebook page for pictures!

Attention all 8th Grade Students - HVL is now accepting applications for next year. Call the office, schedule a tour or a shadow date, or apply online at www.HVLHS.org.

Financial Position - We thank you for your support of HVL through your prayers, volunteering, words of encouragement, and financial gifts. One example of your support for HVL is shown in the individual gifts given to HVL each year. So far this year, individual gifts have totaled over \$160,000 keeping us on track to meet our annual budget. This is a tremendous blessing for which we are truly thankful, and it is only possible due to your support.

PRESCHOOL AND PARENT AND TOT REGISTRATION 2021-2022

Registration is now open to all. Our three day and five day preschool options are filling up fast. We have a Parent and Tot program for Two year olds and their caregiver (parent, grandparent, nanny etc). This program meets once a week for 1.5 hours and will begin in September. Please speak with Carol Schwartz if you have questions about this program.

Our Preschool is for ages 3, 4 and those turning 5 in the fall. (All children in preschool must be potty trained.) We offer two-days (Tuesday/Thursday), three-days (Monday/Wednesday/Friday) and all five days as options. You may choose the number of days based on the needs of your child as well as availability. Please speak with Rebecca Lohrmann or Chris Abbott if you have questions regarding our preschool program. (Early Bird Special for all that register for Preschool by March 1st!) We will not be having an Open House at this time, but will be happy to schedule a tour and answer any questions about our programs!

PASTORAL CARE & MERCY – Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those whose needs have been reported.

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