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March 26, 2023; Fifth Sunday in Lent



John 11:1-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45

Prelude:

“Adagio”

Welcome

The radio broadcast is sponsored by Dennis & Diane Sande in memory of Raymond & Maxine Sande.
Thank you, Samantha Quade, for providing treats for the after worship social time in the Parish Hall!

Gathering Hymn:

“What Wondrous Love is This”

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1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when
3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to
4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and

won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this
I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when I was sink - ing down
God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb,
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,

that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my
be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my
who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
I'll sing God's love for me, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?
soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.
on, I'll sing on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Apostolic Greeting:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Response: **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve you in righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Scripture Reading:

Romans 8:6-11

Read by Lorie Hoeft

⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, ⁸and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. ⁹But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

¹⁰But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

“Jesus Loves Me”

Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so,
Little ones to Him belong, they are weak but He is strong.

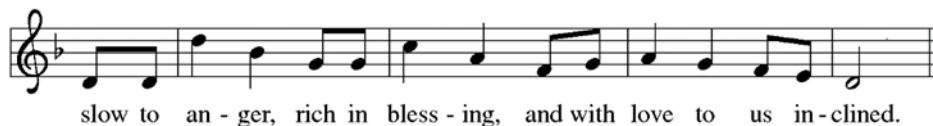
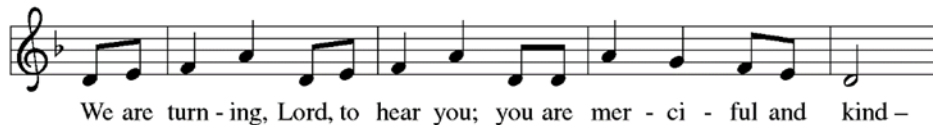
Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me,
Yes, Jesus loves me, The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me He who died, heaven's gate to open wide
He will wash away my sin, let his little child come in. **Refrain**

Jesus loves me! He will stay close beside me all the way;
When at last I come to die, He will take me home on high. **Refrain**

Children's Sermon

Lenten Acclamation:



P: The Holy Gospel according to John 11:1-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45



The Prayers (P): Lord in your mercy,

Response: **hear our prayer.**

Please keep the following in prayer:

Sue Ayers	Helen Hagen	Kathy Michael	Calvin Schultz
Joyce Boehmer	Ron Hoffman	Leon Mulford	Beverly Hinders Trost
Larry Bohner	Linda Hoy	Noa Mulholland	Ron Venz
Rodney Ellis	Kris King	Gladys Niezwaag	Marilu Wohlers
Bob Freese	Mike Laue	Mike Ryan	Bill Wohlers Jr.
Linda Girken	Jerry Meader		

Family of Allen Roger Cross

Please pray for all serving in the Armed Forces & their families: Kaleb Bilharz, Mackenzy Bilharz, Alex Buenger, Tanner Evans, Kaylie Fox, Hannah Fox, Kim Hall, Daniel Jacobs, Cameron Kakac, Drew Roethler, Robson Shankland

The Offering

The Offering Hymn


“Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land”

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Refrain - All



Je - sus is a rock in a wea - ry land, a wea - ry land, a




wea - ry land; my Je - sus is a rock in a

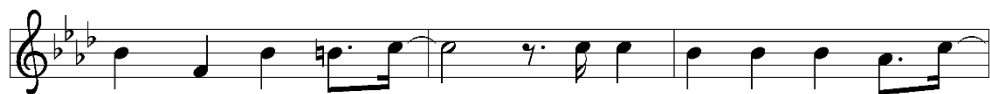


wea - ry land, a shel - ter in the time of storm.

Leader or All




1 No one can do like Je - sus, not a
2 When Je - sus was on earth, the . .
3 Yon - der comes my Sav - ior, him . .



mum-bling word he said; he went walk - ing down to Laz -
flesh was ver - y weak; . . he took a towel and gird -
whom I love so well; . . he has the palm of vic -

Refrain



- a - rus' grave, and he raised him from the dead.
ed him - self and he washed his dis - ci - ples' feet.
- to - ry and the keys of death and hell.

*Response

“Take Our Lives”

Take our lives and let them be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take our moments and our days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take our love, oh Lord, we pour at your feet its treasure store;
Take our lives and we will be ever yours eternally.

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 this is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever and ever. Amen**

The Benediction

Sending Hymn:

“You are the Way”

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The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

1 You are the way; to you a - lone from sin and death we flee;
2 You are the truth; your word a - lone true wis - dom can im - part;
3 You are the life; the rend - ing tomb pro - claims your con - qu'ring arm;
4 You are the way, the truth, the life; grant us that way to know,

all those who search for God, you find and by your grace set free.
you on - ly can in - form the mind and pu - ri - fy the heart.
and those who put their trust in you not death nor hell shall harm.
that truth to keep, that life to win, whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

Text: George W. Doane, 1799-1859, alt.
Music: DUNDEE, *Psalter*, Edinburgh, 1615

P: Go in peace and share the Good News!
Thanks be to God!

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Postlude:

“Glory Be to God on High”



ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL
LUTHERAN CHURCH

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March 26 - April 2

Sunday	9:00 a.m. Worship
	10:05 a.m. Education Hour
	10:15 a.m. Adult Bible study
	11:30 a.m. Ladies Luncheon
Tuesday	5:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry
	6:30 p.m. Grief Share
Wednesday	4:30 p.m. Supper
	5:30 p.m. Lenten Worship
	6:15 p.m. Trinity Choir
Sunday	Palm/Passion Sunday
	8:00 a.m. Youth Palm Sunday Breakfast
	9:00 a.m. Worship/Comm
	10:05 a.m. Education Hour

After Worship Social Time! Coffee & a treat are served in the Parish Hall each Sunday!

Grief Share
Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.
In the Chapel

Adult Bible study
meets at 10:15 a.m.
in the Chapel!

If you would like to donate to the lilies for Easter Sunday, let the office know at 641-228-3397.

Mid-Week Lenten Services 2023

“The Last Words of Christ”

We will focus on Jesus’ last words on the cross, woven together with encounters Jesus had with others in His ministry. Each week we’ll read scripture, sing, watch a short video drama, and hear a devotion on that week’s theme. **Worship service is at 5:30 p.m.**

*March 29 – “Fourth Word from the Cross: Martha”
John 11:1-6, 17-27; Matthew 27:45-46*

**YOUTH PALM/PASSION SUNDAY
BREAKFAST**

April 2nd - from 8:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Menu: eggs, ham, hash browns,
pancakes, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk,
and coffee

(Free will donation goes to youth
serving the breakfast.)

Holy Week & Easter 2023

Sunday, April 2 – Palm Sunday

9:00 a.m. Worship

Thursday, April 6 – Maundy Thursday

5:30 p.m. Worship/Comm

Friday, April 7 – Good Friday

p.m. Tenebrae Service

Sunday, April 9th – Easter Sunday

8:00 & 10:00 a.m. Worship/Comm

Offering from the week of

March 19, 2023

General Receipts: \$9,387.42

Designated: \$1,805.00

Total \$11,192.42

March 15, 2023 \$475.00

*General Receipts of \$9,580.03 are needed
weekly to meet the approved budget.*

Sunday Attendance: 134

March 22, 2023 88

Wednesday Night suppers during
Lent will be from **4:30 – 5:30 p.m.**

Menu for March 29th:

Pork loin sandwiches, tater tots,
chocolate chip cookies

Cost: \$5.00 for adults, children
through 12th grade free thanks to
Kans for Kids

Easter Lilies

If you would like to donate towards the Easter lilies for Easter Sunday let the office know at 641-228-3397 by April 3rd.

The Annual Ladies Luncheon will be at 11:30 a.m. today in the Parish Hall.

The theme this year is
Under His Wing!

Tickets are \$5.00 for adults, \$3.00 for ages 6-18, & under 6 free.

REMINDER: Those students attending a Lutheran college who would like to receive an EPIC grant must notify the church by **May 1st**.

St. John scholarship applications for non-Lutheran colleges can be emailed to you and should be emailed to the office by **May 1st**.

Family Board's Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 8, 9:00 a.m.

St. John Parish Hall

Children up through 5th grade
& their families!

(Donations of wrapped Easter candy by the congregation would be appreciated!)

WIYLDE registration forms are available in Laurie's office for any 8th-12th grade St. John student wishing to attend. WIYLDE will be held this year at EWALU from June 19-22. **Registrations are due to St. John by May 25th** so we have time to get them mailed in by the 30th.

St. John Lutheran Church Secretary Opening

St. John Lutheran Church and Christian Preschool in Charles City, IA is seeking a qualified person to assume the position of Church Secretary.

Position:

- Part time: 20 hours a week
- Responsibilities: provide receptionist services for the church office, provide secretarial services for the church, produce weekly bulletins and monthly newsletters, and manage the church's website and other electronic media
- Compensation: Hourly compensation will depend on experience and qualifications and will be in the range of \$18-\$22 per hour
- Application Deadline: March 31, 2023
- Start Date: April 11, 2023

To see a complete job description, use the QR code provided or go to www.stjohncharlescity.org

If interested, please email your resume to reeper@stjohncharlescity.com or bring it to the St John Lutheran Church office. Office hours are 9 AM to 1 PM, Monday – Friday. We're located at: 200 South Main, Charles City, Iowa 50616. Phone: (641) 228-3397

