



Pastor John Henry



The Third Sunday in Lent

March 20, 2022

Regarding Membership and the Holy Communion

We believe that, in the Holy Communion, the bread is truly Christ's Body and the wine is truly His Blood, given to us to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins. As we receive this gift individually, we profess that we are truly one body in Christ—that we are united in one faith and teaching (doctrine). Ordinarily, full participation in this Holy Communion is reserved for those who are members in good standing of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. ***Any visitors or guests who desire to partake of the Body and Blood of Christ are asked to please speak with the Pastor or an Elder before the service.***

Opening Hymn

Were You There

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Invocation, Confession & Absolution

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.
P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.
P ... in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD: March 20 - 27, 2022

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday 8:30AM-1:00PM

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Sunday	Divine Worship	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
	Sunday School/Bible Class	(Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:45 AM
	Soup/Sandwich Luncheon	(ML) 10:30-1:00 PM
	MLHS Delegates Meeting	(ML) 1:00 PM
Monday	SJL Spring Break No School Mon-Fri	
Tuesday	Individual Prayer & Absolution	(SJ) 1-1:30 PM
Wednesday	LENT III Annunciation	
	NO Confirmation Classes	
	8th Grade Confirmation Student/Parent Mtg	(SJ) 4:00 PM
	Lenten Supper	(Z) 6-6:45 PM
	Annunciation Divine Service	(Z) 7:00 PM
	Joint Choir Practice	(Z) 8:00 PM
Thursday	Individual Prayer & Absolution	(SJ) 1-1:30 PM
Friday	Morning Bible Study	(SJ) 8:00 AM
Saturday	MLHS Rummage Sale Setup Begins	
Sunday	Divine Worship	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
	Sunday School/Bible Class	(Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:45 AM
	LYF	(SJ) 6:00 PM

Lent II March 9, 2022

Joint Attendance	74	KSUM	
		Local Pastor Broadcasts	
Zion Bethesda	\$125.00	SJL	\$266.00
		Zion	\$634.00



Reflecting our Stewardship – Zion

March 6, 2022

Attendance	78 (HC 53)	Home	\$2,959.20
Loose	\$178.00	Missions	\$140.00
Kitchen	\$2,000.00	MLHS	\$50.00
SJL School	\$50.00		

Reflecting our Stewardship – St James

March 13, 2022

Attendance	80 (HC 68)	Home	\$3,174.00
Online	\$760.56	SJL School	\$150.00
Tuition	\$1,250.00	Loose Plate	\$143.00
Missions	\$650.00	Tuition Angel	\$160.00

SJL Student Musical Offering (St James only)
The Litany (Zion only)

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with your spirit.

P Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Lesson

Exodus 8:16-24

¹⁶Then the LORD said to Moses, “Say to Aaron, ‘Stretch out your staff and strike the dust of the earth, so that it may become gnats in all the land of Egypt.’” ¹⁷And they did so. Aaron stretched out his hand with his staff and struck the dust of the earth, and there were gnats on man and beast. All the dust of the earth became gnats in all the land of Egypt. ¹⁸The magicians tried by their secret arts to produce gnats, but they could not. So there were gnats on man and beast. ¹⁹Then the magicians said to Pharaoh, “This is the finger of God.” But Pharaoh’s heart was hardened, and he would not listen to them, as the LORD had said.

²⁰Then the LORD said to Moses, “Rise up early in the morning and present yourself to Pharaoh, as he goes out to the water, and say to him, ‘Thus says the LORD, “Let my people go, that they may serve me. ²¹Or else, if you will not let my people go, behold, I will send swarms of flies on you and your servants and your people, and into your houses. And the houses of the Egyptians shall be filled with swarms of flies, and also the ground on which they stand. ²²But on that day I will set apart the land of Goshen, where my people dwell, so that no swarms of flies shall be there, that you may know that I am the LORD in the midst of the earth. ²³Thus I will put a division between my people and your people. Tomorrow this sign shall happen.’”” ²⁴And the LORD did so. There came great swarms of flies into the house of Pharaoh and into his servants’ houses. Throughout all the land of Egypt the land was ruined by the swarms of flies.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, Friday, March 25th 5-7:30pm. All you can eat Battered cod, breaded shrimp, baked potato, and coleslaw. A portion of the proceeds to benefit Fairmont Youth Hockey. Advance tickets available from Julie Becker (236-1267) or purchase at the door. Adults \$20, Children 12 and under \$13.

Options Pregnancy Center’s Annual Banquet will be held at the Best Western in Fairmont on Thursday, March 31, at 6:00 PM. Kailee Perrin will be our guest speaker for the evening. Reservations are required. Complimentary tickets for this Fundraising Dinner are available by calling Options Pregnancy Center at 238-2330 by March 28th. An opportunity to make a financial gift to the ministry of Options Pregnancy Center will be extended during the evening.

LENT IV: March 23rd @ Zion Lutheran
NFL will be serving supper from **6-6:45PM**
 Chili, Chicken Wild Rice Soup, Cheesy Vegetable Soup
 Desert and Beverages
 Free-will donations support Vacation Bible School
7:00pm Divine Service



Those Serving our Lord			
		Greeters	Acolyte
SJL	3-20	Jim & Cheryl Becker	Mason Engel
	3-27	Lynn & Lincoln Becker	Camrin King
Zion	3-20	Dion & Teresa Montgomery	Braden Roiger
	3-23	Joe & Amy Nelson 7pm	
	3-27	Austin & Amanda Morris	Kane Sharp



MARTIN LUTHER

2022-2023 school year enrollment is now open for students in grades 9-12 at Martin Luther High School.

Students can learn in a place where Christ is the focus and excellence is the standard. MLHS offers a complete high school education in a safe, family-like environment where every student is valued. Interested students and parents are invited to come see what a difference Jesus in the classroom--everyday makes in the lives of teens. All students are welcome at MLHS. Call 507-436-5249.

www.martinlutherhs.com

A Soup and Sandwich Lunch will be held at Martin Luther High School, Northrop on Sunday, March 20th from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. They will be serving Beef Barley, Chicken Wild Rice and Loaded Baked Potato Soups; Organic Homemade Egg Salad Sandwiches; Cupcakes; Greg's Heavenly Homemade Ice Cream; Lemonade and This Is Most Certainly Brew Coffee. This is a benefit for Student Tuition Aid. Cost is a free will donation. Everyone is invited to attend

The MLHS Association Delegate Meeting will be held on Sunday, March 20th at 1:00 p.m. All interested parties are invited to attend.

The Spring Rummage and Bake Sale will be held at Martin Luther High School, Northrop on Thursday, March 31, 4-8 p.m.; Friday, April 1, 8 am-8 pm; and Saturday, April 2, 8 am to noon. Donations of spring and summer clothing, household goods, toys etc in good condition will be accepted from Saturday, 3/26 until Tuesday, 3/29. Volunteer helpers are most welcome before and during the sale. Please go to www.martinlutherhs.com to use the Sign Up Genius. Thank you to the entire community for your support of the MLHS Ministry.

Get your tickets to the OH! What a KNIGHT! Dinner Auction that will be held at Martin Luther High School, Northrop on Saturday, April 9th! Hundreds of interesting items, gift baskets, crafts, and gift certificates will be on the sale. Auction preview begins at 4:30 p.m. A dinner of bacon-wrapped chicken breast will be served at 6:00 p.m. with the Live Auction to follow. Please join in the fun to support your Lutheran high school! For more information call 507-436-5249 or go to www.martinlutherhs.com.

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 32

¹Blessèd is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

²**Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

³For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

⁴**For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

⁵I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not cover my iniquity;

**I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

⁶Therefore let everyone who is godly
offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;
surely in the rush of great waters,
they shall not reach him.

⁷**You are a hiding place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

⁸I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

⁹**Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding,
which must be curbed with bit and bridle,
or it will not stay near you.**

¹⁰Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

¹¹**Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!**

Second Lesson

Romans 1:16-25

¹⁶For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

¹⁸For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness sup-

press the truth. ¹⁹For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. ²⁰For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. ²¹For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. ²²Claiming to be wise, they became fools, ²³and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and reptiles.

²⁴Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves, ²⁵because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 25:15-16

¹⁵My eyes are ever toward the LORD,
for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

¹⁶**Turn to me and be gracious to me,
for I am lonely and afflicted.**

Holy Gospel

Luke 11:14-28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eleventh chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁴Now [Jesus] was casting out a demon that was mute. When the demon had gone out, the mute man spoke, and the people marveled. ¹⁵But some of them said, "He casts out demons by Beelzebul, the prince of demons," ¹⁶while others, to test him, kept seeking from him a sign from heaven. ¹⁷But he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and a divided household falls. ¹⁸And if Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that I cast out demons by Beelzebul. ¹⁹And if I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. ²⁰But if it is by the finger of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. ²¹When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are safe; ²²but when one stronger than he attacks him and overcomes him, he takes away his

Kinship Radio presents our 13th Annual "A Day for Women" on Saturday, April 9th at Hosanna Lutheran Church in Mankato. This year's Special Guest is Sharon Hodde Miller, author of Nice: Why We Love To Be Liked And How God Calls Us To Be More, blogger, mother and wife. We are also welcoming back local favorite, Tina Haroldson as our special speaker! There will be music, ministry, lunch, and mini-sessions. Space is limited so call 507-526-3233 or go online to KinshipRadio.org to register beginning Monday, February 28th at 8am.

EASTER FLOWERS



Dee's Floral & Designs are accepting orders for Easter flowers. Prices include delivery to St. James Lutheran or Zion. Plants available this year are Tulips (\$16); Lilies, Cyclamen or Kalanchoe (\$18); or Hydrangea (\$40). Deadline to order is Monday April 4th. Call directly to Dee's to place your order...235-9856.

A special page will be reserved in the bulletin for anyone who would like to have a plant given in memory of a loved one or a special event you'd like to recognize! Bulletin deadline is no later than, Monday, April 11th; call the church office (436-5289) or email your information to sjl_office@frontiernet.net

LYF



LYF Higher Things Egg Fundraiser: Free-will donation for farm fresh brown eggs from Lincoln Becker. They will be available Sundays after church in the Narthex @ SJL. Thank you for your generous support to help the youth get to Montana in July. Please return empty cartons if possible. If anyone else has a surplus of eggs and would like to contribute to the fundraiser contact Lynn Becker @ 230-2700.

March LYF Meeting will be in the fellowship hall at SJL on March 27th at 6pm. **All students grades 7-12** are invited to attend. Pastor Henry has chosen a new book for bible study called "Christians in a Woke World: A Call to Courage, Confession, and Love, written by Rev. Paul Dare. *We would like to invite the parents to attend at least the first meeting on the 27th, and sit with us as we start this new study.* Root beer floats will be served.

Donations for Zion Kitchen Remodel are welcomed. Please make checks out to Zion Lutheran and designate to Kitchen Remodel. We have reached \$37,700 towards our goal of \$45,000.

Vintage Zion Sunday School Records are available for the taking. They are located on the table in the Narthex. Records date up to the 80's. Help yourself!



NEEDED: Sunday School Superintendent at SJL. Please contact Paul Tomlinson (236-2143).

Bulletins at SJL for the month of March are being sponsored by Diana Mosloski.

You can sponsor the bulletins (\$10 per congregation) or **online broadcast** (\$25) anytime throughout the year, in honor of a special event or giving thanks to God. Call the church office to reserve the week of your choice.

Please join us for a Pampered Chef shower honoring **Rebecca Callison bride-to-be of Luke Becker**. Saturday April 9th from 10am-noon in the fellowship hall. Rebecca will have a wishlist that you can purchase items to stock their kitchen. Please bring your favorite recipe to share with the bride-to-be!



2022 Confirmation Student and Parents Meeting, Wednesday March 23rd, 4pm at SJL. This is a very important meeting to discuss arrangements for the Examination of Catechumens and Confirmation Sunday. Please make every effort to attend. **This is for 8th grade families only, from both public school and SJL school. There will be NO public school classes held this day.**

Do you have time to spare? Looking for something interesting to do? **Consider becoming a volunteer with CREST.** The need is urgent! It's an awesome opportunity to meet seniors and caregivers, plus brighten their lives and make new friends. Your time will make a difference in their lives and enhance yours as well. CREST assignments are flexible and based upon the volunteers' schedule, so if you are called and can't take an assignment that's okay and we will call other volunteers. Contact CREST at 235-3833 or email us at crest@crestvolunteers.org today!

armor in which he trusted and divides his spoil. ²³Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters.

²⁴“When the unclean spirit has gone out of a person, it passes through waterless places seeking rest, and finding none it says, ‘I will return to my house from which I came.’” ²⁵And when it comes, it finds the house swept and put in order. ²⁶Then it goes and brings seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they enter and dwell there. And the last state of that person is worse than the first.”

²⁷As he said these things, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, “Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts at which you nursed!” ²⁸But he said, “Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day *O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe* **666**

Sermon

Apostles' Creed *inside the back cover of the hymnal*

Offering

Offertory for Lent *LSB pg. 422*

C *On my heart imprint Your image, blessed Jesus, King of grace,
That life's riches, cares, and pleasures, never may Your work erase;
Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me,
Is my life, my hope's foundation,
And my glory and salvation!*

The Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C And with your spirit.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary [...] evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB pg. 195

- C** *Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the
name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.*

The Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer *inside the back cover of the hymnal*

The Consecration

Pax Domini

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Agnus Dei

LSB pg. 198

- C** *O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the
world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the
world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.*

Communion Hymns

<i>Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain</i>	435
<i>Go to Dark Gethsemane</i>	436
<i>Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed</i>	560

Post-Communion Hymn for Lent

LSB. pg. 632

- C** *O Jesus, blessed Lord, to Thee
My heartfelt thanks forever be,
Who hast so lovingly bestowed
On me Thy body and Thy blood.*

*Break forth, my soul, for joy and say:
What wealth is come to me this day!
My Savior dwells within my heart:
How blessed am I! How good Thou art!*

Thanksgiving & Benediction

- P** Let us pray... who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen
- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And with your spirit.
- P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.
- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give +† you peace.
- C** Amen.

Closing Hymn

What Wondrous Love Is This

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