Zion Lutheran Church Glen Rock, PA Second Sunday in Lent LBW Setting One Sunday, March 13, 2022

*We stand as we are able.

Introduction to the day

Though we sometimes doubt and often resist God's desire to protect and save us, our God persists. In holy baptism, God's people have been called and gathered into a God-initiated relationship that will endure. Lent provides the church with a time and a tradition in which to seek God's face again. Lent provides another occasion to behold the God of our salvation in the face of the Blessed One who "comes in the name of the Lord."

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (LBW p. 56)

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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.

Amen

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.

Most merciful God.

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

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

Amen

*APOSTOLIC GREETING (LBW p. 57)

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

And also with you.

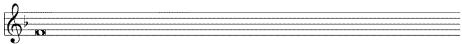
KYRIE (**LBW p. 57**)



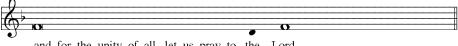


For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.





A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.





For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,





Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord. @ A men

*HYMN OF PRAISE (LBW p. 58) A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. ■ Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y and God we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. We wor-ship you, Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer. are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone you a-lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir - it, in the glo-ry Fa - ther. God the men

*PRAYER OF THE DAY (LBW p. 62)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Eternal God, it is your glory always to have mercy. Bring back all who have erred and strayed from your ways; lead them again to embrace in faith the truth of your Word and to hold it fast; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ²But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

⁷Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." ⁸But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" ⁹He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." ¹⁰He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. ¹¹And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

¹²As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

¹⁷When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. ¹⁸On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 27

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?

The LORD is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

²When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh,

it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell.

³Though an army should encamp against me, yet my heart shall not be afraid;

⁴and though war should rise up against me, yet will I put my trust in him.

⁵One thing have I asked of the LORD; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;

⁶to behold the fair beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.

⁷For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.

 $^8\mbox{Even}$ now he lifts up my head

above my enemies round about me.

⁹Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; I will sing and make music to the LORD.

¹⁰Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me.

¹¹You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." Your face, LORD, will I seek.

¹²Hide not your face from me, nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

¹³You have been my helper; cast me not away; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

¹⁴Though my father and my mother forsake me, the LORD will sustain me.

¹⁵Show me your way, O LORD; lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.

¹⁶Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries,

for false witnesses have risen up against me, and also those who speak malice.

¹⁷What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living!

¹⁸Oh, tarry and await the LORD's pleasure; be strong, and he shall comfort your heart;

wait patiently for the LORD.

SECOND LESSON: Philippians 3:17-4:1

¹⁷Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. ¹⁸For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. ¹⁹Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. ²¹He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. ^{4:1}Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (LBW p.63)



GOSPEL: Luke 13:31-35

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 13th chapter.



³¹At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus,] "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." ³²He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. ³³Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' ³⁴Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! ³⁵See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.



CHILDREN'S TIME AND SERMON (LBW p. 63)

*HYMN OF THE DAY: "Jesus, the Very Thought of You"

LBW (green) 316 vs. 1 - 4

*NICENE CREED (LBW p. 64)

With the whole church, we confess our faith.

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;

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic 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

*THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (LBW p. 65)

Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

You gather the church into a community of mercy and grace. Unify Christians around the globe in efforts to proclaim good news even in the face of opposition and to protect those whose lives are imperiled by the gospel. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You create the entire universe and call it good. Hinder those who would cause further destruction to our planet's fragile ecosystems, and augment the calls of those who advocate for thoughtful stewardship of the earth's resources. Merciful God.

receive our prayer.

You raise up leaders committed to love and justice. Nurture in those who govern patience to receive criticism, openness to new ideas, and courage to change course when needed for the sake of the common good. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You hear us when we cry to you. Attend to those expecting a child, and console those who have experienced miscarriage. Comfort veterans enduring post-traumatic stress. Shield those endangered by domestic violence. Uphold those who are ill or grieving (*especially*). Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You kindle faith that moves us into action. Guide children and adults preparing for baptism or confirmation. Empower Sunday school teachers, confirmation leaders, and parents who share their faith with younger generations. Give us all a renewed sense of vocation. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You welcome us into your heavenly realm. We give thanks for those whose labors on earth are ended and who now rest with you. On the final day, gather all of us, with them, in your loving arms. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

*PEACE (LBW p. 66)

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

Staying in your pew, please exchange the peace with those around you as appropriate. Wave to folks in other pews.

*PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE: (LBW p. 75)



*OFFERTORY PRAYER (LBW p. 68)

Let us pray.

Blessed are you,

O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*LORD'S PRAYER (LBW p. 71)

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

*BLESSING (LBW p. 74)

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.

Amen

*SENDING HYMN: "Jesus, Refuge of the Weary" LBW (green) 93 vs. 1, 3

TIME OF REFLECTION

DISMISSAL (LBW p. 74)

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Today's altar flower arrangement is presented in memory of Marjorie & Melvin Walters and Margaret & Andy Wilhelm, by Sandy Fair.

Today's high altar flowers are presented in honor of Kelley Fisher's birthday today, by Chad, Owen, Allison, Sam, and Henry.

SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR SUNDAY 03/20/2022

Isa 55:1-9, Ps 63:1-8, 1 Cor 10:1-13, Luke 13:1-9

PRAYER REQUESTS

Kelly Allen, Uylana (Bezkorovayha) Haywood, Bezkorovay Family (live in Ukraine), Donna Keller, Tony & Linda Kowalewski, Randy McCullough, Don Miller, Tom & Pam Prowell, Gloria & Jim Ream, Jim Ream Jr.,

LeMos & Susette Stallard, Mary Wiglesworth

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Services are videotaped and streamed live each week on Zion Lutheran Church's Facebook page. It is possible during recording that people attending the service will be filmed. If you have any concern about being filmed, please contact the office at 717-235-3276.

Copies of the new Friends & Family Directory are available, on the windowsill near the bulletins at the back of the sanctuary.

Copies of the Lenten Reading Plan are available, on the windowsill near the bulletins at the back of the sanctuary.

The Christian Ed committee will be meeting on Tuesday, 3/15 at 6:30pm, weather permitting.

It's time to show Zion's VIPs some love for Easter. We will be collecting Hershey kisses, Reese's peanut butter eggs, peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers, homemade cookies, and cards for our 6 local VIPs, including Norma Innerst, Joyce Bosley, Dorothy Lentz, Shirley Henry, Lemos Stallard and Suzette Stallard. Items will be collected until Sunday, 4/3. Cards can be sent directly to Tanya Krout at Smart Communication/PADOC

Tanya Krout/006199

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Upcoming Glen Rock Ministerium Lenten Services at 7:00 pm

Mar 16 - Zion Lutheran

Mar 23 - Immanuel UMC

Mar 30 - Trinity UCC

Apr 6 - New Hope Fissels

Apr 15 – Good Friday - Zion Lutheran

Easter Sunrise - 6:15 am Immanuel Cemetery, 350 Church St, Glen Rock ***There will be no breakfast offered after the Sunrise Service.

Orders for Easter Sunday flowers are due by Sunday, 3/20. See insert for more details.

The Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Monday, 3/7. At this meeting, the council voted to make wearing masks optional in Zion's building. The Council also voted to restart social time following worship. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with a member of Council.

If you desire pastoral care or conversation, please contact Pastor Katie Brantner at 717-420-0779.

SUNDAY SERVANTS

Assisting Ministers: **Please note changes in dates.**

March 13: George Brown

March 27: Diane Bortner

April 10: Shirley Seitz

April 24: Linda Beegle

Upcoming Lectors:

March 13: Sandy Fair

March 20: George Brown

March 27: Nola Webb

Council Offering Duty:

March - Tom Bailey, Joy Keller-Brown

April - Gevene Harden, Rick Freda

Social Time Hosts:

March 13: Beegle Family March 20: Bev Reindollar

March 27: Tom & Pam Spangler

Altar Care:

March – Diane Bortner April – Donna Price

PERSONNEL here at ZION

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Donna Price, Joy Keller-Brown, Tom Bailey, Susan Hengst, George Brown, Carrie Miller, Edgar Davis and Gevene Harden, Rick Freda

2022 FINANCIAL Information for YOU

Weekly Contributions and Expenses

2022 Weekly contribution goal to cover budget expenses: \$2,476.56

03/06/2022 Regular Contributions \$ 3,547.00

Other Contributions/Gifts +\$ 3,702.50

<u>-\$ 135.00</u> *Dedicated Dollars*

\$ 7,114.50 Contributions to cover Expenses

Weekly Expenses: \$5,068.08

Cumulative Contributions and Expenses for 2022

Regular Contributions \$27,520.85Other Contributions/Gifts +\$8,058.73Dedicated Dollars -\$5,551.85Contributions to cover Expenses \$30,027.73

Expenses to date: \$ 31,879.68

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