



Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
Jackson, Minnesota
“Bringing Jesus to Jackson”
The Third Sunday in Lent
March 7, 2021

Welcome to this Divine Service. We gather in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Please sign the attendance card in pew and place in offering plate.

Communion Policy: In the Lord's Supper, the Risen Christ gives us His true Body & Blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. As we participate in the Lord's Supper we declare doctrinal unity. Therefore we ask guests who are not members of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church to speak with Pastor before communing with us.



Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

Hymn “O Day of Rest and Gladness” **906**

Confession and Absolution **151**

Introit **Ps. 69:14-16; antiphon: Ps. 69:9**

- [P]** For zeal for your house has consumed me,
[C] and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.
[P] Deliver me from sinking in the mire;
[C] let me be delivered from my enemies and from the deep waters.
[P] Let not the flood sweep over me, or the deep swallow me up,
[C] or the pit close its mouth over me.
[P] Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast love is good;
[C] according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
[P] For zeal for your house has consumed me,
[C] and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.

Kyrie **152-3**

Salutation and Collect of the Day **156**

- [P]** The Lord be with you. **[C]** *(sung)* And also with you.
[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 (*sung*) Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 20:1–17 ESV

¹ And God spoke all these words, saying,

² “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

³ “You shall have no other gods before me.

⁴ “You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵ You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶ but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷ “You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

⁸ “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, ¹⁰ but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. ¹¹ For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

¹² “Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³ “You shall not murder.

¹⁴ “You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵ “You shall not steal.

¹⁶ “You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

¹⁷ “You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

- [P]** O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,
[C] **the founder and perfecter of our faith.**
[P] who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame.
[C] **and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**

Epistle

1 Corinthians 1:18–31 ESV

¹⁸For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
 and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

²⁶For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, ³¹so that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

- [P]** This is the Word of the Lord. **[C]** **Thanks be to God.**

Verse

John 2:19

Spoken by all: **Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.**

Holy Gospel

St. John 2:13-25 ESV

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.

C (*sung*) **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹³ The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴ In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. ¹⁵ And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶ And he told those who sold the pigeons, “Take these things away; do not make my Father’s house a house of trade.” ¹⁷ His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.”

¹⁸ So the Jews said to him, “What sign do you show us for doing these things?” ¹⁹ Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” ²⁰ The Jews then said, “It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?” ²¹ But he was speaking about the temple of his body. ²² When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

²³ Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he was doing. ²⁴ But Jesus on his part did not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people ²⁵ and needed no one to bear witness about man, for he himself knew what was in man.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C** (*sung*) **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

158

Hymn

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

850

Sermon

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

“Be Foolish to the World”

Prayer of the Church

Spencer Heser, Corlene Hansen, Janine Nelson, Carolyn Geesman, Barney Olson, Everett Rettig, Martin Chergosky (Carolyn Kolander’s father), Lorna Nielsen, Kathy Miller (Neil Miller’s, Susan Flurer’s and Patti Einertson’s sister-in-law), Delbert Milbrath (Steve Milbrath’s uncle), David Rehnelt (Gen Rehnelt’s son), Travus Mekosch, Kim Nesmoe. We remember in our prayers the family of Don Neuenschwander and the family of Dorothy Schultz (Sandra Rettig’s mother), who recently passed away.

Petitions conclude:

P . . . Lord, in Your mercy, **C** hear our prayer.

Final petition:

P All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us,
Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives
and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament **160-166**

Distribution Hymns **623, 685**

Post-Communion Canticle “Nunc Dimittis” **165**

Closing Hymn “On My Heart Imprint Your Image” **422**

Postlude

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