



SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

FEBRUARY 28, 2021

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

If you are attending the Drive-In Service, please tune your radio to 98.1 FM.

PRELUDE

SPIRIT OF GOD, DESCEND UPON MY HEART

CHERWIEN

CONFESSON AND FORGIVENESS

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.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive 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 us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN 799

COME, FOLLOW ME, THE SAVIOR SPAKE

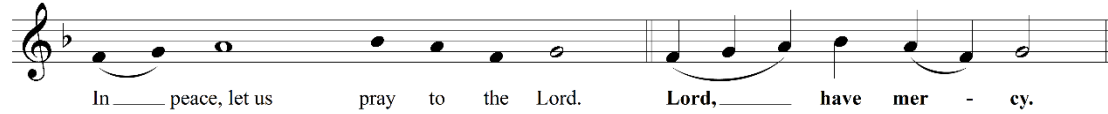
- 1 "Come, follow me," the Savior spake,
"all in my way abiding;
deny yourselves, the world forsake,
obey my call and guiding.
Oh, bear the cross, whate'er betide;
take my example for your guide."
- 2 Then let us follow Christ, our Lord,
and take the cross appointed,
and, firmly clinging to his word,
in suffering be undaunted.
For those who bear the battle's strain
the crown of heav'nly life obtain.

GREETING

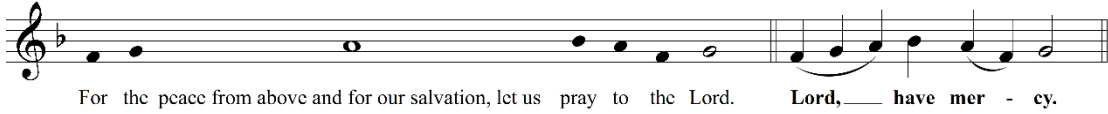
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

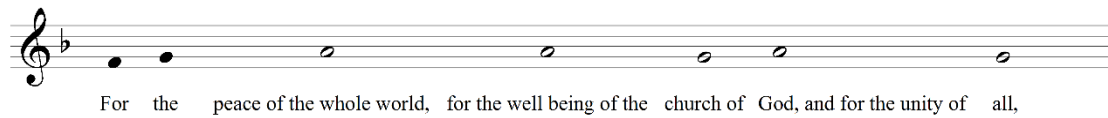
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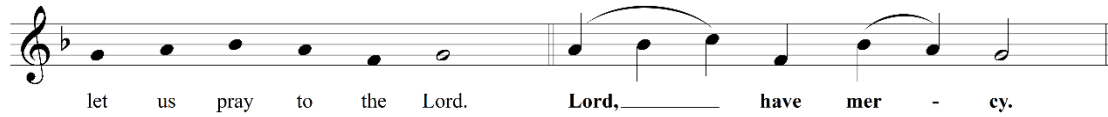
In _____ peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, _____ have mer - cy.



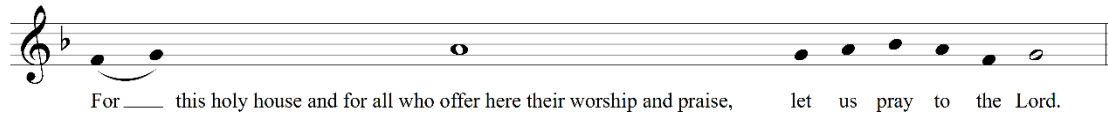
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, _____ have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well being of the church of God, and for the unity of all,



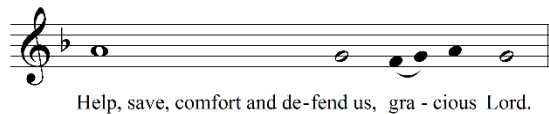
let us pray to the Lord. Lord, _____ have mer - cy.



For _____ this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, _____ have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort and de-fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - - - - men.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

READING**GENESIS 17:1-7, 15-16**

A reading from Genesis.

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.” ³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴“As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.”

¹⁵God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

GOSPEL**MARK 8:31-38**

The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹[Jesus] began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” ³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S TIME

PASTOR ANDREW ISENHOWER

SERMON

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HYMN OF THE DAY 798

WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME

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| 1 "Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me?" | 3 Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me. |
| 2 "Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare,
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer pray'r
in you and you in me?" | |

APOSTLES CREED

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need.

The congregation responds to each petition with “Your mercy is great.”

We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The congregation is invited to share the peace either by waving to your car neighbors or by taking this time to quickly send a text message offering God's peace

*Drive-in Service continues with the Great Thanksgiving below.
Online Service continues with the Benediction on page 6.*

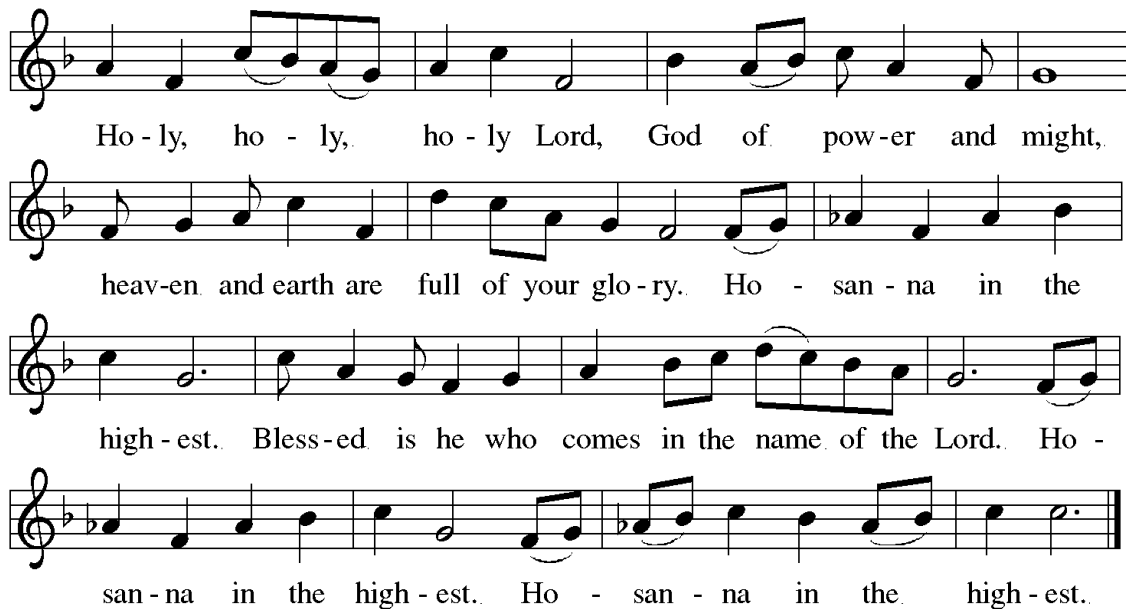
GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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 thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The Pastor will provide an invitation for those communing to eat the bread, with these words:

Take and eat. This is the body of Christ given for you.

Amen.

Afterwards, the Pastor will also provide the invitation to drink the juice.

Take and drink. This is the blood of Christ shed for you.

Amen.

BLESSING OF THE COMMUNICANTS

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world.

Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN 800

- 1 Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
wean it from earth, through all its pulses
move;
stoop to my weakness, strength to me
impart,
and make me love you as I ought to love.
- 2 I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,
no sudden rending of the veil of clay,
no angel visitant, no op'ning skies;
but take the dimness of my soul away.

SPIRIT OF GOD, DESCEND UPON MY HEART

- 3 Have you not bid me love you, God and
King;
all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength,
and mind?
I see your cross; there teach my heart to
cling.
Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!
- 4 Teach me to love you as your angels love,
one holy passion filling all my frame:
the baptism of the heav'n-descended dove,
my heart an altar, and your love the flame.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

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LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

- Blue Ridge of Sumter** – Virginia Stephens
- Colonial Gardens Nursing Home** – Irene S. Poole
- Lowman Home** – Rosemarie Brown, Marianne De Werdt, Martha Haigler
- NHC Parklane** – Mary Allen, Becky Silvia
- The Palmettos** – Sara Loyd
- Rice Estate** – Grace Boozer
- Wellmore of Lexington** – Dot Correll, Bev Weymouth
- Wellmore of Daniel Island** – Barbara Sutton
- Wildewood Downs** – Joanna Carpenter, Dot Gibert
- At their homes** – Gwen Barnes, Helen Derrick, Sylvia Anne Derrick, Larry Evans, Bonnie Hammond, Jeannine Jameson, Carol Mayfield, Doris McCaughey, Margaret Moody, Mary Sox, and Nancy Taylor

FEBRUARY 21, 2021 ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

Drive-In Worship Service: **88**

**While we are not worshipping in the Sanctuary,
Financial Reports may be obtained by calling the church office.**

***Budgeted Weekly Benevolence Collections needed: \$8,729**

***Current Expenses & Benevolences Received: \$6,347**

OTHER MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS

Office Windows Replacement	\$100	Initial Offering (For Envelopes)	\$15
Youth Mission Fund-Contributions	\$40	Transitions Homeless Center	\$355
Food Pantry	\$170	Jan-Feb 14 Social Ministry Focus – The Woodyard Fund	\$150
Ramp Ministry	\$100	Lutheran World Relief	\$50
Curtis Easter Memorial Ramp Fund	\$75	ELCA World Hunger	\$50
Capital Improvements	\$125	Lenten Self-Denial	\$200

WEDNESDAY LENTEN REFLECTIONS – each Wednesday during Lent there will be a pre-recorded, Wednesday Lenten Reflection given by Pastor Andrew available by a link that will be sent to you in an email, found on the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church YouTube channel or at the www.gslc.com website.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY – Meet in the FAB on Tuesday mornings at 11:30 a.m. for a Bible Study. *Masks and social distancing required.*

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY will be led by Pastor Andrew each Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. A reminder with a meeting link will be sent by email each week.