# Welcome!

# St. John's Lutheran Church

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"A Fellowship of Hope, Teaching, Serving, and Proclaiming"

> **Pastor** Mike Burdick

March 14, 2021 The Fourth Sunday In Lent

#### Welcome

To our friends who know us, we renew our welcome; to the stranger, we extend our sincere greeting. If you are a visitor, please understand that you are our guest and we want you to feel welcome and comfortable. We are happy you chose to be with us in this service, and pray you have been blessed by our Lord today as He has blessed us by your presence.

Those Who Serve Us	
Each Member of St. John's	A Minister
Rev. Mike Burdick	
Rev. Gary Fortkamp	Visitation Pastor
Mrs. Sandy Esker	
Mr. Jamie Lotz	Organist
Mrs. Holly Adams	Song Leader
St. John's Praise Band	10:30am Music
Jake Niebrugge	Acolyte
Mr. Dave Worman	4:00pm Elder on Duty
Mr. Todd Zeigler	5:30pm Elder on Duty
Mr. Howard Janis	8:00am Elder on Duty
Mr. Jim Schroeder	10:30am Elder on Duty
Mr. Jeff Weis 217-246-3963	Elder on Duty for March 15 – March 19
Chatelain School & Baja School	Our Schools for feeding in Haiti
Ms. Janet Martins	Stephen Ministry Leader
Mrs. Julie Scott(1-2	17-343-3047) Prayer Partner Coordinator
State, National & International Missions	through our District and Synod

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# Offerings and Attendance Cards can be placed in the boxes at the doors.

### **Holy Communion**

When the members of St. John's Lutheran Church, (LCMS) celebrate the Lord's Supper we confess the Real Presence of Christ's Body and Blood in the Bread and Wine, given and shed for the forgiveness of our sins. (1 Cor 10:16 & 1 Cor 11:23-26) We believe that Christ's Body and Blood are present "in, with and under" elements of the Holy Supper. (Luther's Small Catechism) Members should register their intent to commune on the pew card. If you are visiting with us and you desire to join with us in communion fellowship in agreement with these beliefs, please speak to our Pastor or the elder on duty before the Service. Thank You.

# **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

You will find the songs for our 10:30am Service in italics.

"You Say" Preservice #1

I keep fighting voices in my mind That say I'm not enough Ev'ry single lie that tells me I will never measure up

Am I more than just the sum of Ev'ry high and ev'ry low Remind me once again just who I am Because I need to know

You say I am loved when I can't feel a thing You say I am strong when I think I am weak You say I am held when I am falling short And when I don't belong oh You say I am Yours And I believe oh I believe What You say of me I believe

The only thing that matters now Is ev'rything You think of me In You I find my worth In You I find my identity You say I am loved when I can't feel a thing You say I am strong when I think I am weak You say I am held when I am falling short And when I don't belong oh You say I am Yours And I believe oh I believe What You say of me I believe

Taking all I have and now I'm laying it at Your feet You'll have ev'ry failure God You'll have ev'ry victory

You say I am loved when I can't feel a thing You say I am strong when I think I am weak You say I am held when I am falling short And when I don't belong oh You say I am Yours And I believe oh I believe What You say of me I believe

Oh I believe yes I believe What You say of me I believe

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"He Is With Us" Preservice #2

Remember when
Your hope is lost and faith is shaken
Remember when
You wonder if you're gonna make it
There's a hand stretched out
Through your deepest doubt

We can't pretend
To see the ending or what's coming up ahead
Don't know the story of tomorrow
But we can stay close

To the One who knows
We can trust our God
He knows what He's doing
Though it might hurt now
We won't be ruined
It might seem there's an ocean in between
But He's holding onto you and me
And He's never gonna leave, no
He is with us, He is with us, always
He is with us, He is with us, always

We believe
There is purpose, there is meaning
In everything
We surrender to His leading
He wants nothing more
Than to have us close

We can trust our God
He knows what He's doing
Though it might hurt now
We won't be ruined
It might seem there's an ocean in between
But He's holding onto you and me
And He's never gonna leave, no
He is with us, He is with us, always
He is with us, He is with us, always

Our faith is sealed
Our hope is real
Come what may
We're not afraid

Our faith is sealed
Our hope is real
Come what may
We're not afraid, We're not afraid

We can trust our God, always, always We can trust our God, always, always

We can trust our God
He knows what He's doing
Though it might hurt now
We won't be ruined
It might seem there's an ocean in between
But He's holding onto you and me
And He's never gonna leave, no
He is with us, He is with us, always, always
He is with us, He is with us, always, always
He is with us, He is with us, always, always
He is with us, He is with us, always
Our God is with us

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# **Call to Worship**

Prelude (4:00, 5:30, 8:00)

#### Welcome



The Baptism of Andy Clyde Janis, son of Jake and Carrie Janis, takes place at the beginning of the 10:30am Service. Welcome to the Holy Christian Church, and the congregational family of St. John's Lutheran Church, Andy!

### 915 Today Your Mercy Calls Us

- Today Your mercy calls us

   To wash away our sin.

   However great our trespass,

   Whatever we have been,
   However long from mercy
   Our hearts have turned away,
   Your precious blood can wash us

   And make us clean today.
- 2 Today Your gate is open, And all who enter in Shall find a Father's welcome And pardon for their sin. The past shall be forgotten, A present joy be giv'n, A future grace be promised, A glorious crown in heav'n.

- 3 Today our Father calls us;
  His Holy Spirit waits;
  His blessèd angels gather
  Around the heav'nly gates.
  No question will be asked us
  How often we have come;
  Although we oft have wandered,
  It is our Father's home.
- O all-embracing Mercy,
   O ever-open Door,
   What should we do without You
   When heart and eye run o'er?
   When all things seem against us,
   To drive us to despair,
   We know one gate is open,
   One ear will hear our prayer.

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# "Here I Am To Worship"

Light of the World, You stepped down into darkness.

Opened my eyes let me see.

Beauty that made this heart adore You.

Hope of a life spent with You.'

So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down.
Here I am to say that You're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy.
Altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, Oh so highly exalted. Glorious in Heaven above. Humbly You came to the earth You created. All for love's sake became poor.

So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down. Here I am to say that You're my God. You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy. Altogether wonderful to me.

I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sins up on that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sins up on that cross

**Opening Song** 

So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down.

Here I am to say that You're my God.

You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy.

Altogether wonderful to me.

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- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**Kyrie** (sung at 4:00, 5:30, 8:00)

LSB 186

C Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

### **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

P Let us pray. Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

<sup>4</sup>From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup>And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." <sup>6</sup>Then the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. <sup>7</sup>And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord and against you. Pray to the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup>And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." <sup>9</sup>So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

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

Psalm 107:1–9; antiphon: v. 19

<sup>1</sup>Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

<sup>2</sup>Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble

<sup>3</sup>and gathered in from the lands,

from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

<sup>4</sup>Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to a city to dwell in;

<sup>5</sup>hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

<sup>6</sup>Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

<sup>7</sup>He led them by a straight way till they reached a city to dwell in.

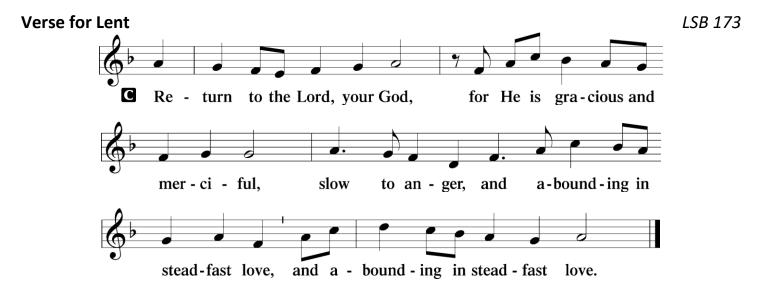
<sup>8</sup>Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of men!

<sup>9</sup>For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things. **Epistle** Ephesians 2:1–10

¹And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— ³among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁵and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁵so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ³For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁵not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹oFor we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

#### C Thanks be to God.



Holy Gospel John 3:14–21

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

# C Glory to You, O Lord. (spoken)

<sup>14</sup>[Jesus said:] "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup>Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. <sup>19</sup>And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup>For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. <sup>21</sup>But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God."

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

#### **Nicene Creed**

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### 744 Amazing Grace

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- 1 Amazing grace—how sweet the sound— That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found, Was blind but now I see!
- 2 The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.
- 3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come;
  His grace has brought me safe thus far,
  His grace will lead me home.
- 4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And mortal life shall cease, Amazing grace shall then prevail In heaven's joy and peace.
- 5 When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.

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# "O Church Arise" (Arise Shine)

Sermon Song

O Church arise and put your armour on Hear the call of Christ our Captain For now the weak can say that they are strong In the strength that God has given With shield of faith and belt of Truth We'll stand against the devil's lies An army bold whose battle cry is love Reaching out to those in darkness Our call to war to love the captive soul
But to rage against the captor
And with the sword that makes the
wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valor
When faced with trials on ev'ry side
We know the outcome is secure
And Christ will have the prize for which He died
An inheritance of nations

Arise shine for your Light has come Arise shine for the risen Son Lift your eyes we are His radiant bride Arise O Church arise

Come see the cross where love and mercy meet
As the Son of God is stricken
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet
For the Conqueror has risen
And as the stone is rolled away
And Christ emerges from the grave
This victory march continues 'til the day
Every eye and heart shall see Him

So Spirit come put strength in every stride Give grace for every hurdle That we may run with faith to win the prize Of a servant good and faithful As saints of old still line the way Retelling triumphs of His grace We hear their calls and hunger for the day When with Christ we stand in Glory

Arise shine for your Light has come Arise shine for the risen Son Lift your eyes we are His radiant bride Arise O Church arise

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"O Church Arise (Arise Shine)" written by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Chris Tomlin, and Stuart Townend

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Sermon

"The Story of My Life" Ephesians 2:1-10 Pastor Fortkamp

**Offertory** (sung at 4:00, 5:30, 8:00)

LSB 192

C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

### **Prayer of the Church**



**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT** 

Preface (spoken) LSB 194

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And with thy spirit.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them up unto the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- C It is good and right so to do.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## **Sanctus** (spoken in all Services)

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Hosts!

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

# **Lord's Prayer**

- P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- C 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.

#### The Words of Our Lord

#### Pax Domini

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen. (spoken)

# **Agnus Dei** (sung at 4:00, 5:30, 8:00)

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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.

#### Distribution

### 566 By Grace I'm Saved

- By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless; 4
   My soul, believe and doubt it not.
   Why stagger at this word of promise?
   Has Scripture ever falsehood taught?
   No! Then this word must true remain:
   By grace you too will life obtain.
- 2 By grace! None dare lay claim to merit; Our works and conduct have no worth. God in His love sent our Redeemer, Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth; His death did for our sins atone, And we are saved by grace alone.
- 3 By grace God's Son, our only Savior, Came down to earth to bear our sin. Was it because of your own merit That Jesus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and grace alone, That brought Him from His heav'nly throne.

#### 555 Salvation unto Us Has Come

- 1 Salvation unto us has come
  By God's free grace and favor;
  Good works cannot avert our doom,
  They help and save us never.
  Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone,
  Who did for all the world atone;
  He is our one Redeemer.
- 2 What God did in His Law demand And none to Him could render Caused wrath and woe on ev'ry hand For man, the vile offender. Our flesh has not those pure desires The spirit of the Law requires, And lost is our condition.

- 4 By grace! This ground of faith is certain; As long as God is true, it stands. What saints have penned by inspiration, What in His Word our God commands, Our faith in what our God has done Depends on grace—grace through His Son.
- 5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble, In tribulation's furnace tried, By grace, in spite of fear and trouble, The Father's heart is open wide. Where could I help and strength secure If grace were not my anchor sure?
- 6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying; In Jesus' promise I rejoice; For though I know my heart's condition, I also know my Savior's voice. My heart is glad, all grief has flown Since I am saved by grace alone.

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sts. 1–9

- 3 It was a false, misleading dream
  That God His Law had given
  That sinners could themselves redeem
  And by their works gain heaven.
  The Law is but a mirror bright
  To bring the inbred sin to light
  That lurks within our nature.
- 4 From sin our flesh could not abstain, Sin held its sway unceasing; The task was useless and in vain, Our guilt was e'er increasing. None can remove sin's poisoned dart Or purify our guileful heart— So deep is our corruption.

- Yet as the Law must be fulfilled
   Or we must die despairing,
   Christ came and has God's anger stilled,
   Our human nature sharing.
   He has for us the Law obeyed
   And thus the Father's vengeance stayed
   Which over us impended.
- 6 Since Christ has full atonement made And brought to us salvation, Each Christian therefore may be glad And build on this foundation. Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead, Your death is now my life indeed, For You have paid my ransom.
- 7 Let me not doubt, but truly see Your Word cannot be broken; Your call rings out, "Come unto Me!" No falsehood have You spoken. Baptized into Your precious name, My faith cannot be put to shame, And I shall never perish.
- 8 The Law reveals the guilt of sin And makes us conscience-stricken; But then the Gospel enters in The sinful soul to quicken. Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live; The Law no peace can ever give, No comfort and no blessing.
- 9 Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone
   And rests in Him unceasing;

   And by its fruits true faith is known,
   With love and hope increasing.

   For faith alone can justify;
   Works serve our neighbor and supply
   The proof that faith is living. Text: Public domain

"The Lamb" Communion Song

The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price!

#### Refrain

Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own! The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.

The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing. Refrain

The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill So still, His will On our behalf the Law to fill. Refrain

He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness. He lives, forgives, He gives me His own righteousness. Refrain

He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows. His song prolong Till ev'ry heart to Him belong. Refrain

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### **Communion Blessing**

### **Thanksgiving Prayer**

Benedicamus LSB 202

- P Bless we the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God!

Benediction LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

#### C Amen!





# "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

**Closing Song** 

Joyful, joyful we adore thee God of glory, Lord of love Hearts unfold like flowers before thee Opening to the sun above

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness Drive the dark of doubt away Giver of immortal gladness Fill us with the light of day

All thy works with joy surround thee Earth and heaven reflect thy rays Stars and angels sing around thee Center of unbroken praise

Field and forest, vale and mountain Flowery meadow, flashing sea Chanting bird and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in thee

Joyful music leads us sunward In the triuph song Joyful music leads us sunward In the triumph song of life

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### **Lenten Midweek Services:**

Wednesdays, March 17 - March 24,

12:15pm & 6:30pm



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