



St. Luke's Lutheran Church



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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

(Series B)

WELCOME

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, office@stlukesmanhattan.org, or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

AS WE GATHER

Today's Epistle speaks of Jesus, our High Priest. High priests are called to offer sacrifices for the sins of the people as well as themselves. Jesus is a different sort of high priest who offers Himself as sacrifice, once for all, that we might be forgiven and granted eternal salvation. In the Gospel, Jesus proclaims that He came not to be served, but to serve. He came to offer His life as a ransom for us. As we follow Jesus, we are called to reflect His actions and attitude of service and sacrifice. May we likewise go to serve and sacrifice for others.

IMAGE ON THE COVER

Come in sorrow and contrition,
Wounded, impotent, and blind;
Here the guilty, free remission,
Here the troubled, peace may find.
Health this fountain will restore;
They that drink shall thirst no more. *LSB 435:3*

PRELUDE

Please use this time to prayerfully prepare your hearts to enter into the presence of Jesus

✠A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE✠

WELCOME

PRESERVICE SONG – Special Music
A Joyful Sound
“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”
By John Rutter

Stand

(The sign of the cross ✙ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✙ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

- P** What a priest we have in Jesus!
C He is our source of eternal salvation.
- P** He sympathizes with us in our weakness.
C He offers prayers and supplications for us.
- P** He serves us and sacrifices Himself for us.
C What a priest we have in Jesus!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** Though Jesus is our great High Priest, we have lived as if we did not need Him, as though our sin was not dire and deadly. Despite our self-centered failures, our heavenly Father is merciful, and because of Jesus, He invites us to draw near to His throne in confidence to ask for forgiveness.

Silence for reflection.

- P** Heavenly Father,
C we have sinned against our neighbors and against You. We have sought to be served. We have demanded others sacrifice for us. Forgive us, renew us, and humble us, for the sake of Jesus. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy sent Jesus into our world to be our great High Priest, who came to serve and offer His life as a ransom for us. Christ died and is risen for you. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, You are our great High Priest. Teach us to follow Your example of service and sacrifice for others, so that more people may know of the forgiveness that can only be found in You; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

NICENE CREEED

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.

Sit

OPENING SONG – "We Are"

- 1 Every secret, every shame
Every fear, every pain
Live inside the dark
But that's not who we are
We are children of the day
- 2 So wake up sleeper, lift your head
We were meant for more than this
Fight the shadows, conquer death
Make the most of the time we have left
- 3, 4, We are the light of the world
- 6, 7 We are the city on a hill
- 9, 10 We are the light of the world
We gotta, we gotta, we gotta let the light shine
(4, 10 Let the light shine, let the light shine)

- 5 We are called to spread the news
To tell the world the simple truth
Jesus came to save, there's freedom in His Name
So let His love break through
- 8 We are the light, we are the light, we are the light so let your light shine
brighter
We are the light, we are the light, we are the light, Jesus
You are the light, you are the light, you are the light, we will lift you high
And shine, shine, shine

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34

(God's new covenant.)

³¹"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, ³²not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Hebrews 12:2

L [O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,

C the founder and perfecter of our faith,

L 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

Hebrews 5:1-10

(Jesus is our great High Priest.)

¹Every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. ³Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. ⁴And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;

⁶as he says also in another place,
“You are a priest forever,
after the order of Melchizedek.”

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

VERSE

Mark 10:45

P Even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,

C and to give his life as a ransom for many.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:32-45

(The Son of Man came to serve and give His life.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

³²And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, ³³saying, *“See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. ³⁴And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise.”*

³⁵And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶And he said to them, *“What do you want me to do for you?”* ³⁷And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸Jesus said to them, *“You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?”* ³⁹And they said to him, “We are able.” And Jesus said to them, *“The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”* ⁴¹And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴²And Jesus called them to him and said to them, *“You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

LAMB'S MESSAGE

SERMON

VOTUM

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. **A basket** is available in the narthex as you exit.
2. Please **send** your offerings to
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
4801 Anderson Avenue
Manhattan, KS 66503
3. Give through our **website**:
<https://stlukesmanhattan.org/about-us/financial-support/>
4. **Electronic Funds Transfer**/Sign up through the church office.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: Mark 10:45 – “For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” Jesus gives everything He has: He gives Himself. That self-giving is the model for our giving in all aspects of our lives. In our family, in our church, and in the world at large, Jesus calls us to follow His example of self-giving. We can only do this if we are connected to His self-giving in faith.

OFFERTORY – “Breathe”

1, 4 This is the air I breathe
This is the air I breathe
Your holy presence living in me

2 This is my daily bread
This is my daily bread
Your very Word spoken to me

3, 5, 6, 7 And I, I'm desperate for You
And I, I'm lost without You
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Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P We turn to our great priest Jesus in prayer, who has promised to hear us and intercede for us.

For what a priest we have in Jesus,

C who became our sacrifice.

P Lord Jesus Christ, be present with all those who are vulnerable and in need of advocacy, especially those in abusive relationships, the homeless, the disabled, and all children. Give us courage to be advocates and intercessors for those in need just as You are an advocate and intercessor for us. For what a priest we have in Jesus,

C who became our sacrifice.

P Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us as we endure the temptations and assaults of the devil. Forge our shields of faith to be stronger in resistance of Satan and his fiery arrows. Forgive us when we fail. For what a priest we have in Jesus,

C who became our sacrifice.

- P** Lord Jesus Christ, You have borne our griefs and shared in our sorrows. Bring Your comfort to all those who are suffering in grief, [*especially . . .*]. Point them to the hope of the resurrection to eternal life that You have won for all who believe in You. For what a priest we have in Jesus,
- C** **who became our sacrifice.**
- P** Lord Jesus Christ, You learned obedience through suffering. Strengthen us when we face suffering to learn obedience to Your Word of truth. For what a priest we have in Jesus,
- C** **who became our sacrifice.**
- P** Lord Jesus Christ, as a priest You serve and sacrifice. Teach all people in Your church to follow Your example of service and sacrifice for the sake of others. For what a priest we have in Jesus,
- C** **who became our sacrifice.**
- P** Lord, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering, [*especially . . .*]. Have mercy upon them and restore them to health according to Your wisdom. For what a priest we have in Jesus,
- C** **who became our sacrifice.**
- P** Lord Jesus, we commend all of these people and situations into Your hands, for You have promised to hear our prayers and intercede for us, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

PREFACE

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- 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.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us 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

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an elder. For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first. They then distribute the body and blood of Christ to those in the pews who are unable to come forward, and then finally to those who come forward.

Distribution and dismissal will be done by half tables.

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

“Your Grace Still Amazes Me”

- 1 My faithful Father, enduring Friend
 Your tender mercy's like a river with no end
 It overwhelms me, covers my sin
 Each time I come into Your presence
 I stand in wonder once again
- 2, 4, 6 Your grace still amazes me
 Your love is still a mystery
 Each day I fall on my knees
 'Cause Your grace still amazes me
 'Cause Your grace still amazes me
- 3 Oh, patient Savior, You make me whole
 You are the Author and the Healer of my soul
 What can I give You, Lord, what can I say
 I know there's no way to repay You
 Only to offer You my praise
- 5 It's deeper, it's wider
 It's stronger, it's higher
 It's deeper, it's wider
 It's stronger, it's higher
 Than anything my eyes can see

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“10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)”

- 1, 3 Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul
5, 7 Worship His holy name
8 Sing like never before, oh my soul
I'll worship Your holy name
- 2 The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes
- 4 You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For Your all goodness I will keep on singing
10,000 reasons for my heart to find
- 6 And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
10,000 years and then forevermore

Stand

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P 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.

C Amen.

GREET ONE ANOTHER

We greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "The Lord be with you," "Peace be with you," or "The peace of the Lord be with you".

CLOSING SONG - "Lion of Judah" Revelation 5:5

- 1, 5 You're the Lion of Judah the Lamb who was slain
 You ascended to heaven and evermore will reign
 At the end of the age when the earth You reclaim
 You will gather the nations before You
 And the eyes of all men will be fixed on the Lamb who was crucified
 With wisdom and mercy and justice You'll reign at Your Father's side
- 2, 4 And the angels will cry, "Hail the Lamb
6 Who was slain for the world to rule in power!"
 And the earth will reply, "You shall reign
 As the King of all kings and the Lord of all lords!"
- 3 There's a shield in our hand and a sword at our side
 There's a fire in our spirits that cannot be denied
 'Cause the Father has told us for these You have died
 For the nations that gather before You
 And the ears of all men need to hear of the Lamb who was crucified
 Who descended to hell yet was raised up to reign at His Father's side

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