

3 Lent

**"MANY WHO ARE  
FIRST WILL  
BE LAST,**



**AND THE LAST  
WILL BE FIRST."**

**MARK 10:31, NRSV**

March 7, 2021

## Gathering

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Call to Confession

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the keeper of the covenant, the source of steadfast love, our rock and our redeemer. **C: Amen.**

P: God hears us when we cry, and draws us close in Jesus Christ. Let us return to the one who is full of compassion.

*(Silence for reflection)*

Prayer of Confession

P: Fountain of living water,

**C: pour out your mercy over us. Our sin is heavy, and we long to be free. Rebuild what we have ruined and mend what we have torn. Wash us in your cleansing flood. Make us alive in the Spirit to follow in the way of Jesus, as healers and restorers of the world you so love. Amen.**

Forgiveness

P: Beloved, God's word never fails. The promise rests on grace: by the saving love of Jesus Christ, the wisdom and power of God, your sins are forgiven, and God remembers them no more. Journey in the way of Jesus. **C: Amen.**

Greeting

P: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

P: Holy God,

**C: through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## Word

*God Speaks to Us in Scripture Reading, Preaching, and Song.*

### Reading: 1 Timothy 6:17-19

<sup>17</sup>As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. <sup>18</sup>They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, <sup>19</sup>thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

### Reading: Psalm 146:3-10

<sup>3</sup>Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.  
<sup>4</sup>When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.

*Responsive hum*

<sup>5</sup>Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the LORD their God;  
<sup>6</sup>who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;

*Responsive hum*

<sup>7</sup>who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. The LORD sets the captive free.

### Will You Come and Follow Me *The Summons*

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?"

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

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<sup>8</sup>The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the  
LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;  
the LORD loves the righteous.

*Responsive hum*

<sup>9</sup>The LORD cares for the stranger; the LORD  
sustains the orphan and widow, but  
frustrates the way of the wicked.

<sup>10</sup>The LORD shall reign forever, your God, O  
Zion, throughout all generations.  
Hallelujah!

*Responsive hum*

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the tenth chapter.      C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel: Mark 10:17-31**

<sup>17</sup>As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" <sup>20</sup>He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

<sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you."  
<sup>29</sup>Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters

or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news,<sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age — houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions — and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Message

**Sermon**

**"Everything! . . . Everything?"**

**Pastor Dave**

Apostles' Creed

**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 the People

P: Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

Sharing God's Peace

**Offertory Prayer**

P: Merciful Father,

**C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Holy Communion

*Today we celebrate Holy Communion: If you are a guest, please know you are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Jesus said that the body and blood are given “for you and for all people.” Communion will be available as you leave worship. For gluten-free wafers, ask the pastors. Children not yet communing are invited to receive a blessing.*

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 our thanks and praise.

### Words of Institution

### “Remember Me”

On the night You were betrayed, You took the bread;

After giving thanks, You broke it and said,

Refrain:

“This is My body, broken for you, and as you eat it, remember Me;

This is My body, broken for you, and as you eat it, remember Me.”

On the night You were betrayed, You held the cup:

After giving thanks, You lifted it up.

Refrain:

“This is My blood, poured out for you, and as you drink it, remember Me;

This is My blood, poured out for you, and as you drink it, remember Me.”

So, we thank You for the wine and for bread;

For we see the life You gave the blood You shed.

Refrain:

“And we remember Your wondrous love,

You gave Your body, You shed Your blood;

And we remember Your wondrous love,

You gave Your body, You shed Your blood.”

### The Lord’s Prayer

**C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## Communion Blessing and Prayer

### Benediction

**May I think the thoughts of God.  
May I speak the Good News of God.  
May I know the love of God.**

### Dismissal

P: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.    C: **Thanks be to God.**

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**Brown County Public Health is now focusing most of their (COVID-19) vaccination efforts on the 65 and older population.**

If people over age 65 would like to be put on the Brown County Public Health wait list, they can complete an online survey. Completing this survey is not a registration or an appointment. It is an opportunity to be on a wait list. When vaccine is available, Brown County Public Health will use the waitlist to contact individuals by random selection through their preferred choice of communication that they indicate in the survey. If those over 65 do not have access to technology to complete the survey, a family member or friend can complete it for them.

For those that do not have any way to complete the online survey, Brown County Public Health will have volunteers that can assist them with that from 9 AM – 1 PM Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday each week. The number to call for assistance is 507-233-6820.

Please complete the online survey at: <https://forms.gle/ttqcu2wJdLvmRLUn6>



**On March 11<sup>th</sup>,** we will recognize that it has been one year since we had to change how we gather at Our Savior's due to the pandemic. We will mark this date by a slide show of all we have done over this past year. This will be on our website and Facebook, and is a good reminder that we are still the church, even in a pandemic. Finally, we will conclude the day with prayers. Please join us online as we look back, while we continue to move forward together.



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	<b>Weekly Offering</b>	<b>YTD Offering</b>	<b>YTD Budget</b>
<b>2/28 General Offering</b>	\$ 5,255.00	\$ 64,763.94	\$ 78,417.00
<b>2/28 Building Fund</b>	\$ 750.00	\$ 8,993.00	\$ 11,313.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 6,005.00</b>	<b>\$ 73,756.94</b>	<b>\$ 89,730.00</b>
<b>2/28 World Hunger</b>	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,128.00	

<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>8:30AM Sun.</b>	<b>FB Live Views</b>	<b>10:30AM Sun.</b>
2/28/21	39	78	12

### *In Our Prayers This Week:*

Russ Brown, Dixie Flitter, Marj Frederickson, Ardis Groebner, Marilyn Hudson, Sharon Hulke, Joyce Jobe, Lyndon Jones, Dave Marsh, Brad Nicklay, Tom Postel, Keith Riser, Sharon Riser, Rod Roebbeke, Dave Swenson, Con Trapp, Linda Trimnell, Tom Weilage, and Paul Wilker

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