



LORD OF LIFE
LUTHERAN CHURCH

*ALIVE AND ANEW
IN GOD'S GRACE ALONE
IN JESUS CHRIST!*

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LORD OF LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH
“MAKING GOD FIRST THROUGH HOPE, GROWTH & TOGETHERNESS”

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.-16200 Dodd Lane, Lakeville, MN 55044-(952)-953-4484

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Lenten Midweek Worship

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

Prelude & Words of Greeting

Gathering and Forgiveness

Pastor: The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

All: Amen.

Pastor: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

All: To sing praise to your name, O Most High.

Pastor: To herald your love in the morning,

All: And your truth at the close of the day.

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

All: Holy and gracious God, I confess I have sinned against you this day. Some of my sin I know – the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed – but some is known only to you. In the name of Jesus Christ, I ask for forgiveness. Deliver me, restore me, renew my spirit as I return to the Lord with all my heart, as I live anew in the power of your grace alone in Jesus Christ.

Pastor: By God’s mercy we are united with Jesus Christ, and in the power of God’s grace alone, we are forgiven. We rest now in his peace, and rise each new morning to serve the Lord of life. Let us pray.

All: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend our spirits. You have redeemed us in grace alone. Hear our prayer and listen to our cry which comes before you. Keep us as the apple of your eye, hide us in the shadow of your wings. In righteousness we will see you; when we awake, your presence will give us joy. We ask you, merciful God, be present and protect us through the hours of this night, so we might find rest and truth in you and your grace. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

Song of Trust and Power “More Love, More Power”

del Hierro

(Sung by Worship Leaders)

More love, more power, more of You in my life.
More love, more power, more of You in my life.
And I will worship You with all of my heart.
And I will worship You with all of my mind.
And I will worship You with all of my strength.
For You are my Lord, You are my Lord. *(repeat)*

Psalm 119:97-105

(all read bold print)

Oh, how I love your law! **It is my meditation all day long.**
Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies, **for it is always with me.**
I have more understanding than all my teachers, **for your decrees are my meditation.**
I understand more than the aged, **for I keep your precepts.**
I hold back my feet from every evil way, **in order to keep your word.**
I do not turn away from your ordinances **for you have taught me.**
How sweet are your words to taste, **sweeter than honey to my mouth!**
Through your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way.
Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. (New Revised Standard Version)

Gospel

Mark 1:9-15

(all read bold print)

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. **He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.** Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "**The time is fulfilled, the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.**" (New Revised Standard Version)

Living In Power & Grace "What Wondrous Love Is This"
(Sung by Worship Leaders)

Walker

- vs. 1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
 What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
 What wondrous love is this, That caused the Lord of bliss,
 To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
 To bear the dreadful curse for my soul?
- vs. 3 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing;
 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
 To God and to the Lamb, Who is the great I Am,
 While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
 While millions join the theme, I will sing.

Sharing Prayer with sung response “The Spirit Intercedes For Us”

Olson

Pastor: As God’s people, as we return to The Lord with all our heart, to trust anew in God’s grace alone, let us pray for the needs of all God’s people.

Pastor: ... as we pray to you, Jesus,

Worship Leaders Sing: The Spirit, intercedes for us,
With sighs too deep for words to express, oh, oh, oh, ...

Pastor: All these things and whatever else you see we need, grant to us we pray, for the sake of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who taught us to boldly pray these words:

The Lord’s Prayer

**All: 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.**

Strengthened to Live Today, All Our Days, In the Grace of Christ

Pastor: Guard us in our sleeping tonight, O Lord, guide us in our waking, and awaken us that we might be your faithful and devoted disciples as we make you, our God, and our neighbors, first in our lives.

All: Lord, now let your servant go in peace; your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen your salvation which you have prepared in the sight of all people; a light to reveal you to the nations, and the glory of your people Israel. 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.

Pastor: Friends, take hold of the power of God’s grace alone. Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you this night and all your days, for you are alive and anew in the grace of Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

Going in Grace Anew
(Sung by Worship Leaders)

“Cry of My Heart”

Butler

ref: It is the cry of my heart to follow You. It is the cry of my heart to be close to You.
It is the cry of my heart to follow, all of the days of my life.

vs. 1 Teach me Your holy ways, O Lord, so I can walk in Your truth.
Teach me Your holy ways, O Lord, And make me wholly devoted to You. *(refrain)*
All of the days of my life, all of the days of my life.

*Join us this Sunday, February 28, 9:30 a.m., as we share
The Second Sunday In Lent, "Purpose In Grace Alone!"
Worship to include a Children's Message and a Sermon from Pastor Jamie!
Worship to be 30 minutes, and to conclude with Holy Communion!
Join us in-person or via our live stream efforts!*

*As we share worship in this new way, we are seeking volunteers to assist each Sunday
with greeting, ushering, serving communion,
live streaming, AV ministry, set up, clean up, worship leaders, and more!
You can access details and ways to sign up on our website and Facebook page! Thank you!*

*For those who are not able to join us for worship on Sundays, you are invited to receive
communion on Sundays, 10:15-10:30 a.m. at the front curb near the church entrance.*

*We hope having the service provided for you in this way, will touch you, comfort you,
reassure you, and grace you in some way! If you believe others you know would be blessed to
receive this bulletin, or our live stream service videos, please forward these to them.*

*In this time when we are committed to safety and social distancing, please trust we are equally
committed to keeping us socially and spiritually connected!
On behalf of the Kingdom of God, thank you for the ways you make God and neighbor first!*

*From everyone on every level of leadership and service,
we continue to pray for you and to give thanks to God for each of you!
Please contact Pastor Jamie if he can serve you in any way: jamie.thompson@lordoflifemn.org*

*We pray The Holy Spirit breathes anew on us to be God's people and to be God's Church,
as together we make known and we trust anew
God's gifts of hope, peace, justice, clarity, calm, and comfort forever break forth in new ways
for you and your loved ones, today, and as we share every gift of God's light, love and grace!*

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