

ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 24, 2008 10:00 a.m.

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

PREPARATION "O loving God, to turn away from you is to fall, to turn toward you is to rise, and to stand before you is to abide forever. Grant us, dear God, in all our duties your help; in all our uncertainties your guidance; in all our dangers your protection; and in all our sorrows your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Augustine of Hippo (354-430)

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please sign the friendship pad located at the end of the pew. If you have a prayer request, please fill out a prayer request card and pass it to the end of the pew during the opening hymn.)

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Lent is a homecoming.

People: Home from weary years,

Leader: Home to calm our fears,

People: Home to dry our tears.

Leader: Lent is a homecoming.

People: Home to remember our name,

Leader: Home to a warm embrace,

People: Home to a hopeful place,

Leader: Home with Christ, who is one with our journeying.

People: Home to prepare again for the last of the earthly ministry of Jesus.

*HYMN 394 *There Is a Balm in Gilead*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (all together)

God of day and God of darkness, all our time belongs to you. Yet how often we fail to notice your nearness, feel your presence, trust your guidance. We desire only good times, happy moments, and miss your

continued

*All who are able may stand

work in the shadows. We avoid conflict with others and fear looking deep within ourselves. Sometimes it feels we have no place left to run, no place left to hide. Loving God, hold us during these Lenten days so we can look at ourselves, our relationships, our openness to you. In brightness or darkness, let us always know your healing, freeing, guiding presence. Hear now our silent confession.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN: Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

***RESPONSE** 243 *We Thank You, Lord, for You Are Good vs. 1*

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Leader: The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

(Please extend the Peace of Christ to one another)

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN *"Living Juice"*

(Any children 3yrs –4th grade may leave for church school)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING: Exodus 17:1-7

GOSPEL READING: John 4:5-30, 39-42

SERMON *"Who Are These Evangelists"* --Elder Richard G. Petersen

***HYMN** 80 *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (all together)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING OF GIFT AND SELF

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow:
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Creator, Savior, Holy Ghost.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (all together)

Blessed are you, God of all creation; through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. Blessed be God forever. Amen

***HYMN** 403 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

***CHARGE**

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** 525 *Here I Am Lord"* vs. 1 & refrain

POSTLUDE

(The congregation treats the postlude as its closing time of worship and leaves after it is completed.)

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- Guest Preacher: Elder, Richard Petersen
- Guest Organist: Bruce Jacobs
- Usher: Tim Miller
- Layreader: Edie Fischer
- Counters: Bruce & Linda Barrows
- Building Check: Personnel
(March 2nd – Church & Society – March 9th – Membership)

SUNDAY NEWS ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome all who worship here this morning. Please join us for coffee after the worship service.

Large print copies of the Order of Worship, The Hymnal and the NRSV Bible are available at the back of the church.

Phonic Ear hearing assistance program is available. Please see an usher for more details.

Prayer Request Cards, located, in your pew, are for any prayer requests you wish included in the Prayers of the People. If you have a prayer request, please annotate your request on the back of the card, then pass it to the end of the pew (whichever end is closer to you) for collection by the usher during the opening hymn. Please do not place the card in the offering plate, as the card suggests. "In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." *Philippians 4:6*

CHILD CARE

Infant/Toddler Nursery Care during worship is provided for your children.

CALENDAR

Today	- February 24	10:00 a.m.	Worship - <i>3rd Sunday in Lent</i> Elder Richard Petersen preaching
		11:00 a.m.	Fellowship Time
Wed.	- February 27	7:30 p.m.	Lenten Journey @ St. Catherine of Sienna
Sun.	- March 2	10:00 a.m.	Worship - <i>4th Sunday in Lent</i> <i>Boy Scout Sunday</i> <i>Carla Kline preaching</i>
		11:00 a.m.	Fellowship Time

<p><u>Attendance for February 17th</u> Adult – 38 Children - 5</p>

PRAYER CONCERNS

Members of our congregation

Bruce Barrows ♦ Nancy Hay ♦ Sue Maciejewski ♦ BJ Rustic ♦ Bill Seifert
Harold and Rita Hanna and their family as they mourn the death of Ollie Hanna

Family & Friends of our congregation

Bill Baco (Sandy Pakenham) ♦ Caryn Brown (Leona Wojcik) ♦ Erna Burdick (Sue Piersa)
♦ Clara Cieslinski ♦ Kathy Miller Colmerauer (Jane Lankes) ♦ Dan & Judy Cravotta
(Janice Jones) ♦ Steve Dalin (Karen Dalin) ♦ Pauline Deletti (Sandy Fiegl) ♦ Linda
Dories (Sandy Fiegl) ♦ Lorraine Folaron (Cheryl Wilczak) ♦ Cathy Folaron (Cheryl
Wilczak) ♦ Jessica Grazen (The Fischers) ♦ James Groves (Nancy Lesakowski) ♦ Ed
& Dorothy Gutowski (Ed Gutowski) ♦ Esther Hiller (Sandy Pakenham) ♦ Garrett Kensity
(Marilyn Mohr) ♦ Jill Miller-Kisker (Jane Lankes) ♦ Ben Klinshaw (Rita Hanna) ♦
Marguerite Kobel (Dennis Fiegl) ♦ Lee Kruszka ((The Fischer's) ♦ Sibby Mielcarek
(Marge Christmann) ♦ Aaron Miechurski (The Halligan's) ♦ Steve Milley (Leanne Wurl)
♦ Josh Miszko (Sue Piersa) ♦ Sandy Northem ♦ Mary Orofino (Marilyn Mohr) ♦
Christopher Rutski (The Fischers) ♦ Pam Setzer (The Fiegls) ♦ Paul Sipos (Sue
Maciejewski) ♦ Joan Shockey (Dennis Fiegl) ♦ Mildred Warren (Sue Boulter) ♦ The
Weez (Dennis Fiegl) ♦ Patrick Weir (Sandy Pakenham)

Service Men & Women

Chris Kalinowski ☼ Matthew Jones ☼ Bill Cenker Jr. ☼ Patrick Baskerville ☼ Sammy
Russo ☼ Kimberly Trudeau ☼ Steve Odebralski ☼ Jason Zimmerman ☼ Andrew
Zalikowski ☼ Nick Turvey ☼ Kristen Pelc ☼ Ben Schauss ☼ Phillip Schott ☼ Josh
Winkler ☼ Russell Molnar ☼ Pat McCullough ☼ Ryan M. Ratigan ☼ Larry Lloyd ☼
Joshua Feldman ☼ Dan Dudziak ☼ David Ferg ☼ Zachery Goggins ☼ Alison Lankes
☼ Erik Brown ☼ Rob Weiner

Each week we invite you to hold in your prayers different families and individuals in our
church. As an act of faithfulness we pray for each other. This week we pray for:

Dawn Dulski Jane Lankes The Reed Family The Wurl Family

EASTER PLANT SALE

The Deacons are selling Plants to decorate our sanctuary on Easter morning. The group will be selling tulips, hyacinths, Lilies and mums at a cost of \$6.50 each and can be purchased by filling out this form and giving it and your payment to any deacon.

Name _____

In Memory of _____

In Celebration of _____

_____ Tulip _____ Hyacinth

_____ Lily _____ Mum

