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The Second Sunday in Lent8:00 AM & 10:30 AMFebruary 28, 2021

OUR THEME FOR THIS YEAR IS—Conforming to God's Son in 2021

For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. ~ Romans 8:29

We welcome you to Our Shepherd. It is a joy to have you with us today! We pray that you will be strengthened and uplifted through our worship.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Organ Prelude: Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart ... F.W. Markull

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn: LSB 798—The God of Abraham Praise (vs. 1 – 4 & 9)

Confession and Absolution: (LSB pg. 151)

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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.

Collect:

P: Let us pray,

C: O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Scripture Readings (Back of Bulletin)

The scripture lessons are a collection of weekly readings from the Bible for the year. Half of the year focuses on the life of Christ and the other half focuses on the church (believers collectively). Each set of readings is coupled thematically. Note that God's law and grace are seen in both the Old Testament and the New Testament. See the "About the Cover" sidebar on the back of your bulletin for the weekly theme.

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16

Anthem (8:00 a.m.): What Wondrous Love is This ... S. Tucker

Anthem (10:30 a.m.): Were You There ... Wood/Wagner

Epistle: Romans 5: 1-11

Hymn: On My Heart Imprint Your Image

On my heart imprint Your image, Blessed Jesus, King of grace, That life's riches, cares and pleasures Never may Your work erase:

Let the clear inscription be: Jesus crucified for me, Is my life, my hope's foundation, And my glory and salvation!

Holy Gospel: Mark 8: 27-38

Hymn of the Day: LSB 708—Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart

Video: Clay . . . Freebridge Media

Message from the Word:

Sermon Series: Conforming to God's Son in 2021—Transformed Through Correction Sermon Text: Matthew 16: 21-28

Apostles' Creed: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering

Words of Institution/The Lord's Supper (10:30 a.m. only)

The Bible is specific about who should attend the Lord's Supper (1 Corinthians 10: 16-17; 11: 27-30). We invite those who wish to confess their sins and believe they receive Christ's body and blood in this sacrament, for their forgiveness, to join us at the Lord's Table for their spiritual strengthening.

O Jesus, blessed Lord, to Thee My heartfelt thanks forever be, Who hast so lovingly bestowed On me Thy body and Thy blood.

Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is come to me this day! My Savior dwells within my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Responsive Prayer

P: Almighty God, in this season of repentance and reconciliation, strengthen your church
C: with your promises and your blessing.
P: Help your people always to trust your word
C: and rely on your faithfulness.
P: Break through the fears of those who doubt your goodness,
C: and help all the baptized to grow in your truth and grace.

Prayers/Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn: LSB 837—Lift High the Cross

Benediction

Postlude: Lift High the Cross ... J. Leavitt

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ALUMINUM CANS: We are collecting aluminum cans next weekend (March 6&7) in the north parking lot. No glass or plastic please

FLOWER CHART: The flower chart for 2021 has been posted. Please sign up if you would like to purchase altar flowers to the glory of God or in remembrance or celebration of an occasion or loved one. Note that you can take the flowers home after the late service on Sundays. The cost is \$20.00—payment can be left in the church office.

MALACHI 3:10 CHALLENGE: Bring the full amount of your tithes to the Temple, so that there will be plenty of food there. Put me to the test and you will see that I will open the windows of heaven and pour out on you in abundance all kinds of good things (Malachi 3:10).

Each year Our Shepherd challenges its members to pledge *20% of found or unexpected money* to the Lord in an offering based on the passage Malachi 3:10. The challenge continues for six weeks. Please sign up to participate and share the blessings received because of your commitment on the sheets in the narthex.

WEEK OF FASTING AND PRAYER: As our country is veering away from the Word and will of God, as a congregation we will have a week of fasting and prayer as we implore God for mercy upon our nation, and as we ask Him to prevent the evils this administration is planning. This will take place from March 1-7. For instructions on fasting safely, see the guide found on the tables in the entrance.

SERVE AT THE EBENEZER BREAKFAST: On Saturday, March 6, 2021 we are asking for 4-5 volunteers. We will package breakfast to be handed out to those in need beginning at 7:30 a.m. Please sign up online if you can volunteer, see our website for the link.

LENT: We will have weekly worship services on Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. throughout the Lenten season.

SERVE AT THE EBENEZER FOOD PANTRY: On Saturday, March 20, 2021 we are asking for 4 volunteers to distribute food to those in need. Please use our online sign up if you can help out—see the link on our website.

DVD LIBRARY: We have a very nice selection of DVD's in the conference room next to Pastor Doug's office including some new offerings! Feel free to borrow them—please leave a note in the office if you take some out.

PRAYER CIRCLE: We have an active email prayer circle. If you would like to be added to pray for the needs of those in the congregation, please share your email on an attendance or prayer card and note "prayer circle".

<u>UPDATED CONTACT INFO:</u> Please let the church office know if you have changed your address, phone number or email address so we can keep our records current. Thank you!

NURSERY: Babysitting is available in the nursery for children ages 0-3 on Sunday mornings from 7:45 until after the late service.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Monday	Bell Choir	3:30 PM
Monday	Couples Bible Study (individuals welcome!) 6:30 PM
Monday	Women's Bible Study	6:30 PM
Wednesday	Men's Bible Study	6:00 AM
Wednesday	Women's Bible Study	9:30 AM
Wednesday	Confirmation Class (Grades 5-8)	4:00 PM
Wednesday	Bell Choir	6:45 PM
Wednesday	Lenten Worship	7:15 PM
Wednesday	Senior Choir	8:00 PM
Saturday	Worship Service	6:00 PM
Sunday	Worship Service (10:30 live stream also)	8:00 & 10:30 AM
Sunday	Sunday school Classes	9:30 AM
Sunday	Adult Bible Class	9:30 AM