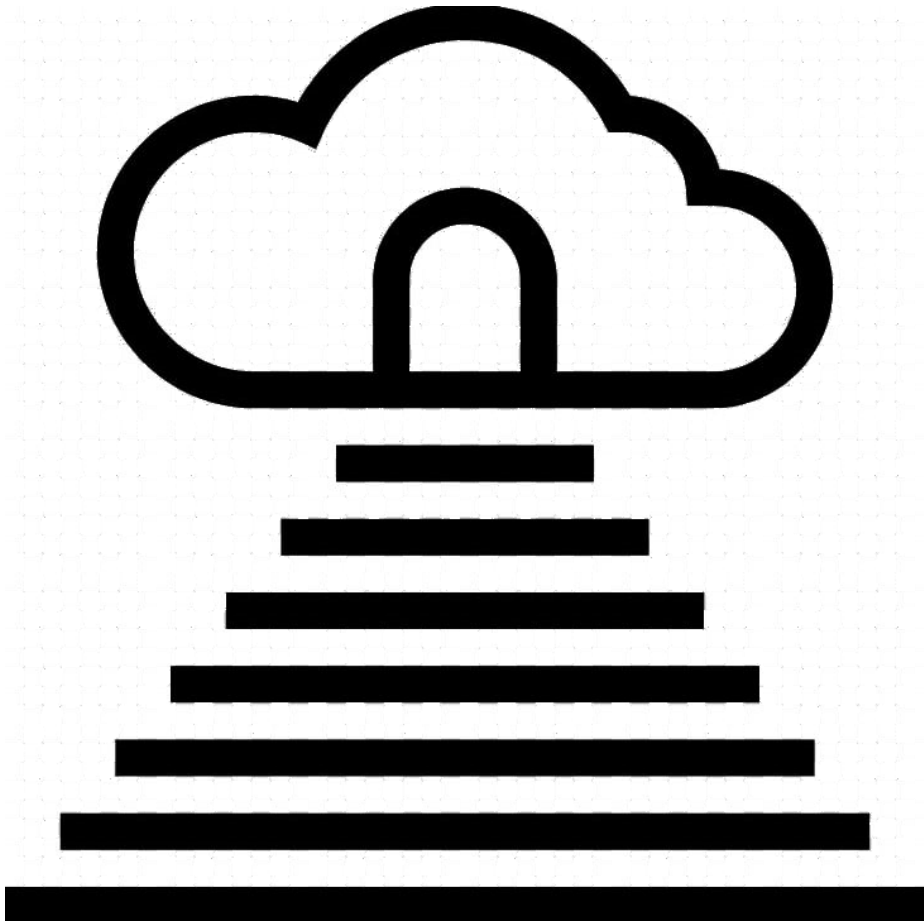


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Second Sunday in Lent

February 28, 2021



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PRAYER UPON ENTERING GOD'S HOUSE

Heavenly Father, prepare my heart to worship you. Through your Word, make me sincerely repentant for the many sins which I have committed and reassure me of your loving kindness in my Savior, Christ Jesus. Through your Holy Spirit, keep my thoughts focused on the eternal truths which will be spoken and sung today. Guide and bless those leading in worship today. Make this service a celebration of your goodness and grace. In Jesus' name. Amen.


WELCOME


Jesus Predicts the Cross

Opening Hymn:


To Your Temple I Draw Near


Christian Worship, Hymn # 226

Verse 1  **To your temple I draw near;
Lord, I love to worship here.
Here are sacrament and Word;
Here believers meet their Lord.**

Verse 3  **While your glorious praise is sung,
Touch my lips, unloose my tongue,
That my joyful soul may bless
Christ the Lord, my righteousness.**

(Hymn continues on the next page.)

C Verse 4  **While the prayers of saints ascend,
God of love, to mine attend.
Hear me, for your Spirit pleads;
Hear, for Jesus intercedes.**

C Verse 7  **From your house, when I return,
May my heart within me burn,
And at evening let me say,
“I have walked with God today.”**

INVOCATION

M In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C **If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

M Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C **Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with a holy life and innocent death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

ABSOLUTION

M Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY--*Kyrie*

M In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

M For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

M For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.


C **Lord, have mercy.**


M For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

M Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

C Verse 1  **Hail, O once-despis-ed Jesus!**
Hail, O Gal-i-le-an King!
You have suffered to release us,
Hope to give and peace to bring.
Hail, O universal Savior,
Bearer of our sin and shame;
By your merits we find favor;
Life is given through your name.

C Verse 2  **Paschal Lamb, by God appointed,**
All our sins on you were laid;
By almighty love anointed,
You have full atonement made.
Ev'ry sin has been forgiven
Through the power of your blood;
Open is the gate of heaven;
We are reconciled to God. *(CW #351)*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M Almighty God, you see that we have no power to defend ourselves. Guard and keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BE SEATED

Epistle Lesson

Romans 5:1-11

5 Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. ³ Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵ And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

⁶ You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

⁹ Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! ¹⁰ For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! ¹¹ Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

☐ We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

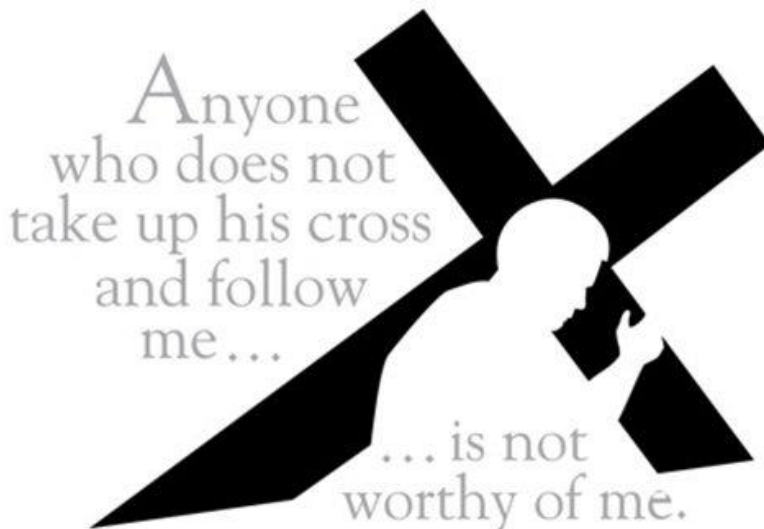
Gospel Lesson

Mark 8:31-38

³¹ He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. ³² He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

³³ But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. “Get behind me, Satan!” he said. “You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.”



³⁴ Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. ³⁶ What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? ³⁷ Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? ³⁸ If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father’s glory with the holy angels.”





Hymn of the Day:

Lord, You I Love with All My Heart

Christian Worship, Hymn # 434

** Verse 1  Lord, you I love with all my heart;
I pray you ne'er from me depart;
With tender mercies cheer me.
Earth has no pleasure I would share;
Heaven itself were void and bare
If you, Lord, were not near me.
And should my heart for sorrow break,
My trust in you no one could shake.
You are the treasure I have sought;
Your precious blood my soul has bought.
Lord Jesus Christ, My God and Lord,
My God and Lord, Forsake me not!
I trust your Word.**

** Verse 2  Lord God, 'twas your rich bounty gave
My body, soul, and all I have
In this poor life of labor.
Lord, grant that I in ev'ry place
May glorify your lavish grace
And serve and help my neighbor.
Let no false doctrine me beguile;
Let Satan not my soul defile.
Give strength and patience unto me
To bear my crosses willingly.
Lord Jesus Christ, My God and Lord,
My God and Lord, Forsake me not!
I trust your Word.**

Genesis 28:10-17

“How Awesome Is This Place!”

¹⁰ Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Harran. ¹¹ When he reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones there, he put it under his head and lay down to sleep. ¹² He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of

God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³ There above it stood the LORD, and he said: “I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying. ¹⁴ Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the



south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. ¹⁵ I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.”

¹⁶ When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, “Surely the LORD is in this place, and I was not aware of it.” ¹⁷ He was afraid and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven.”

THE SACRAMENT

PLEASE STAND

M The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

M Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

M It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we exalt your holy name.

C **The name of the Lord be praised! Amen.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M Blessed are you, Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin. We remember and give you thanks that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us, that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law, that he humbled himself becoming obedient to death on a cross, that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

(Prayer continues on the next page.)

Bless us as we receive your Son’s body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and ever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M Our Lord, Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

A PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION

Lord, I am a sinner. I do not deserve to commune with you, my holy God. But because of your Son and through faith in him, you graciously invite me to not only pray to you but also to come to your Table. Use this sacrament to reassure me of your forgiveness and strengthen me to live a new life of thanksgiving and joy. In Jesus' name. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

(After all those communing have received Lord's Supper, we conclude our celebration)

M Now may this true body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in the one true faith unto life everlasting. Be assured, your sins are forgiven.

C **Amen.**

RESPONSIVE PRAYER

M Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C **His mercy endures forever.**

M Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

C **We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

M We give thanks, almighty God, that you have renewed our spirits with this saving gift. We pray that through this means of grace you will strengthen our trust in you and increase our zeal to do your will. By your Spirit continue to help us live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us and all believers as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

BLESSING


M The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.


C Amen.

Closing Hymn:

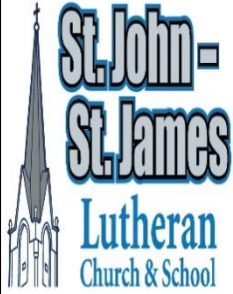
Day by Day

Christian Worship Supplement, Hymn # 765

C Verse 1  **Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me,
Bringing comfort to my anxious soul.
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me
Draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure,
Brings to naught the burdens of my quest;
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure,
Where, at last, I'll find eternal rest.**

C Verse 3  **Oh, what joy to know that you are near me
When in burdens grow too great to bear;
Oh, what joy to know that you will hear me
When I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.
Day by day, no matter what betide me,
You will hold me ever in your hand.
Savior, with your presence here to guide me,
I will reach at last the promised land.**

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Times of Worship: Wednesday—3:15 & 6:30 pm & Sunday—8:00 am & 10:15 am
Send Bulletin Information to cbubolz@stjohnstjames.com—**Wednesday Deadline**

Sunday, February 28

SERVING YOU TODAY—WEDNESDAY—3:15 pm—Dave Hoepfner, Gene Wagner ■
6:30 pm Ushers—Scott Bubolz, Brian Bubolz, Bill Voeltz ■ **SUNDAY—8:00 am**
Ushers—Jim Matznick, Tom Sebo, Norman Pantzlaff, Gary Bernhardt ■ **10:15 am**
Ushers—Andy/Zac Bubolz, Ray Bubolz, Adam Bubolz, Bill Hillmann, Matt Hillmann, Nick Schrubbe ■ **Church Cleaners**—Nancy Hillmann, Sarah Miller, Roger/Judy Hoida ■ **Flower Committee**—Mary Busse & Karen Prochnow ■ **Sunday Communion Set-Up/Take-Down**—Knier Family.

SERVING YOU NEXT WEEK—WEDNESDAY—3:15 pm—Gene Wagner, Dave Hoida, Doug Behnke ■ **6:30 pm Ushers**—Gary Bernhardt, Dave Hoepfner ■ **SUNDAY—8:00 am Ushers**—Mel Mangin, Tim Mangin, Jamie Mangin, Gary Waack ■ **10:15 am Ushers**—Terry/Karen Prochnow, Bob/Mary Busse, Fred Busse, Erwin Waack, Jon Waack, Randy/Sandy Waack, Dereck Waack and Todd Hickmann ■ **Church Cleaners**—Nancy Hillmann, Sarah Miller, Roger/Judy Hoida ■ **Flower Committee**—Joann Fischer & Sharie Mack.

SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR THE NEW YEAR—Wednesday services will now be at 3:15 pm and 6:30 pm and Sunday services at 8:00 am and 10:15 am. We will continue that schedule through Lent and then re-evaluate our service schedule needs after Easter.

EARLY CHILDHOOD REGISTRATION AT SJSJ—The Early Childhood Program of St. John-St. James Lutheran School will be accepting registrations for new students beginning Feb. 1, 2021. Children ages 3, 4 or 5 years by September 1, 2021, are eligible for the program. SJSJ members receive priority registration through May 1. Contact Mrs. Karla Aden or Mrs. Amanda Schrubbe to set up a tour of our EC classrooms or to meet with the director or teachers. kaden@stjohnstjames.com 920-754-4432 (office phone) or 920-460-0597 (cell phone). Please share this information with anyone in the church or community who could utilize our program.

Our Father's Business

Today

Preacher, Darin Aden

Organist—Judy Mangin

Sunday School, CREW & Adult Bible Study at 9:15 am

Wednesday 3/3

Public School Confirmation Class at 3:30 pm

Lenten Wednesday Worship Service at 3:15/6:30 pm

BASKETBALL UNIFORMS—The PTO is looking for donations for new basketball uniforms. The cost for the uniforms are \$3792.00. Due to Covid 19 we did not have the fundraising help we usually do. Any donations would be greatly appreciated to defer the cost. Any questions contact PTO president Dave Robley 920-772-4959. Thank you.

MLC DEVOTIONS—MLC sent St. John-St. James 5 of the hard copy devotional booklets for Holy Week. If you'd like one they are available on the table in the West Church Office or please contact us in the office (920-754-4568) and let us know. Thank you!

SPECIAL GIFTS GIVEN—Sheri Lau has given a gift towards our Altar Paraments In Memory of Dorcella and Milton Lau, Gene & Charmaine Wagner gave a gift to the Building Fund in Memory of Jack Mattes, and Diane Lau gave a gift to the Building fund in memory of Paul Fredricks. Thank you for your gracious gifts!

USHERS NEEDED – Ushers are needed for all 3:15 pm Wednesday Lenten services. If you can volunteer please place your name on the list of Wednesday's on the Usher's Podium. Thank you for volunteering!

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS – Statements have been mailed out. If you have not received your statement please give Cindy a call at 754-4568 and we will be sure to mail you out another. Thank you!

FORWARD IN CHRIST MAGAZINE—If you would like a 1-year subscription to *Forward In Christ* magazine please give the office a call at 7754-4568/754-4432 or place your name and address on the list provided for you in the West church office. The subscription is \$13.44/year please make checks out to SJSJ and submit to the office or place it in the small box in the West church office by April 19th.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE —February 15-21

Church Attendance: Wednesday: 3:15 pm—130, 6:30 pm—57 Total: 187, Sunday— 8:00 am Service—93, 10:15 am Service—60, Total: 153 ■ Ash Wednesday Offerings—General Fund—\$ 3,417.00, Synod—\$ 0.00, MLHS—\$ 75.00, Debt Retirement—\$ 500.00, Total—\$ 3,992.00 ■ Regular Offerings—General Fund: \$ 14,125.00 *, Synod: \$ 859.50 *, MLHS: \$ 738.50 *, : Total \$ 15,723.00 * ■ Special Offerings—Building Fund: \$ 2,905.00 *, (needed each week \$2,3 12)

* Electronic Offerings Added