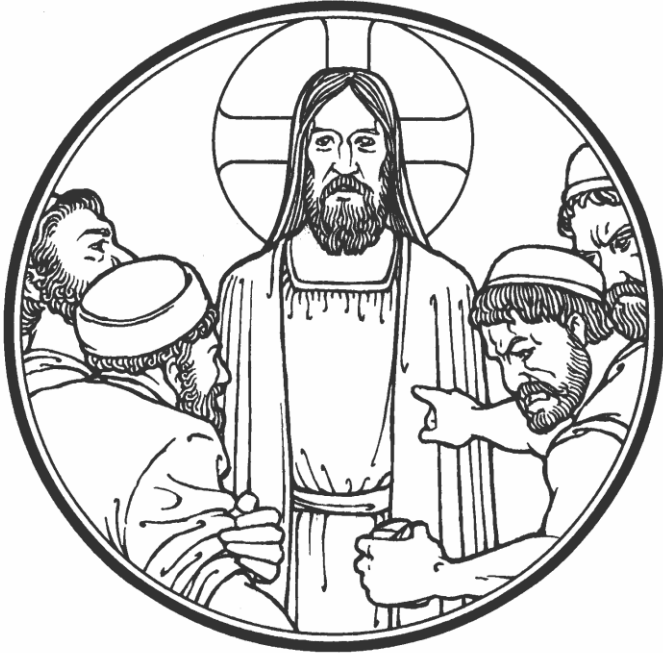


Messiah Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod



Judica – Fifth Sunday in Lent March 22, 2015 Divine Service III

Genesis 22:2 He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." It's hard for us to even fathom a faith as strong as Abraham's: he follows the Lord's Word even when it seems impossibly hard. But he does so because he knows that the Lord only means to bless. What happened here to Abraham should be an encouragement for us: trust the Lord and keep His Word.

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VISITORS WELCOME! A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after the service, and we pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

ATTENDANCE REGISTER: During the offering we ask that you sign the attendance register located at the center aisle of each pew. **Please hand the filled in sheet to the usher as you exit at the end of the service. Let the usher know if you don't have a pad in your pew.**

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

PRAYERS OF PREPARATION may be found in the opening cover of the hymnals in each pew. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer.

+SERVING TODAY+

Preacher/Celebrant: Pr. Roemke

Elder: Scott Tobalsky

Ushers: Keith Kentala & Jacob Kentala

Greeter: Marge Harmon

Organist: Monica Scholz

Altar Guild: Kate Tobalsky & Tamara Weathersby

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Invocation

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

+CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION+

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Introit *The Gloria Patri is omitted from the Divine Service until Easter.*

Ps. 43:3-5; antiphon: Ps. 43:1-2a



Vindicate me, | O God,*

and defend my cause against an ungodly | people,
from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!*

For you are the God in whom I take | refuge.

Send out your light and your truth; let them | lead me;*

let them bring me to your holy hill and to your | dwelling!

Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my ex- | ceeding joy,*
and I will praise you with the lyre, O | God, my God.

**Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil
with- | in me?***

**Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation | and
my God.**

Vindicate me, | O God,*

and defend my cause against an ungodly | people,
from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!*

For you are the God in whom I take | refuge.

Kyrie-II

LSB 944 sts. 1-3



1 Ky - ri - e	e - lei - son.	Ky - ri - e	e - lei - son.
2 Chris - te	e - lei - son.	Chris - te	e - lei - son.
3 Ky - ri - e	e - lei - son.	Ky - ri - e	e - lei - son.



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Salutation and Collect of the Day

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P The Lord be with you.



G And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

P Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



G A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 22:1-14

¹After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here am I.” ²He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.” ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you.” ⁶And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷And Isaac said to his father Abraham, “My father!” And he said, “Here am I, my son.” He said, “Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?” ⁸Abraham said, “God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So they went both of them together.

⁹When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his

hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here am I.” ¹²He said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.” ¹³And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called the name of that place, “The LORD will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 143:9a, 10a; 18:48a, c



Deliver me from my enemies, | O LORD!*

Teach me to do your will, for you | are my God!

[You] delivered me from my | enemies;*

you rescued me from the man of | violence.

Epistle

Hebrews 9:11–15

¹¹But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) ¹²he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. ¹³For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, ¹⁴how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God. ¹⁵Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Lenten Verse



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

Holy Gospel

John 8:46–59

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

⁴⁶Which one of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me? ⁴⁷Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God.”

⁴⁸The Jews answered him, “Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?” ⁴⁹Jesus answered, “I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. ⁵⁰Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. ⁵¹Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death.” ⁵²The Jews said to him, “Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, ‘If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.’ ⁵³Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?” ⁵⁴Jesus answered, “If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, ‘He is our God.’ ⁵⁵But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. ⁵⁶Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad.” ⁵⁷So the Jews said to him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?” ⁵⁸Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.” ⁵⁹So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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Not All the Blood of Beasts

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In the Cross of Christ I Glory

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+PRAYER LIST+

- ☒ For all the children and Christ Lutheran Academy Staff: Karen Moe, Ruth Mallmann, Stephanie Zuehls, Liesl Christensen, & Christa Hegland.
- ☒ Those who serve in our nation's armed forces: DuWayne Griepentrog, Andy Warren, Exor Padro, and for veterans.
- ☒ Shut-ins: Elsie Rintamaki & Lillian Sciortino.

- ✘ For our adopted seminarian, Jacob Eichers, whom the Women's Bible Study is supporting.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Richard Cleereman, Diane Gundlach, Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Allen Scheffer (friend of the Zuehls), Terri Nichols, Carol Wagner (friend of the Brothers), Amy, Natalie Lee (friend of Lynda Koch), Ron Hulke, Mike Gundlach (cousin of Sarah Billings), Al Bradmon (cousin of Steve Billings), Loretta Hulke, Virgil Nichols (friend of Gail Kulbacki), Cheryl Moe, Lorraine Swift, Wally and Gloria Pipkorn, and the Teruo Yamashita Family (relatives of Bev Murakami).

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 22, 2015+

- ✘ **LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICES** continue this week. On Wednesday we will have a soup supper potluck at 5:30 pm followed by Divine Service commemorating the Annunciation of Our Lord at 6:30. Sign-up sheets for the meals are in the fellowship hall.
- ✘ **EASTER FLOWERS:** All Easter flower payments must be made today. Any flowers not paid for will not be ordered. Thank you for helping us to beautify our church for the blessed Easter season.
- ✘ **BIBLE STUDY:** Today we are going to discuss the Triduum. Next week we will learn about the historical events of Holy Week by listening to a radio interview by Dr. Paul Maier.

INCOME

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,268
Lord's Work Received 3/15:	\$2,975
Difference Received vs. Needed:	-\$293
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	-\$858

ATTENDANCE 3/15: 114 Communed: 86

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS AT MESSIAH

3/24	Tuesday	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
3/25	Wednesday	Women's Bible Study	9:00 am
		Lenten Soup Supper	5:30 pm
		Annunciation Divine Service	6:30 pm

BIRTHDAYS

3/22 Taylor Heitkamp
Hailee Nicolazzi
Allison Stephans
3/23 Todd Giese
3/25 Victor Garcia
3/26 Olivia DelFrate
3/27 Toni Marshman
John Scholz
Kathryn Vinankie
3/28 Michael Brothers

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

3/28 Scott Tobalsky

No anniversaries this week.

2015 HOLY WEEK SERVICES

3/30	Mon	Divine Service	8:15 am
3/31	Tues	Divine Service	8:15 am
4/1	Wed	Divine Service	8:15 am
4/2	Thurs	Divine Service	8:15 am
		Maundy Thursday DS w/stripping of altar	7:00pm
4/3	Fri	Good Friday Morning Litany	8:15 am
		Chief Service with Divine Service	12:00pm
4/4	Sat	The Great Vigil of Easter	7:21 pm
4/5	Sun	Easter Divine Service	9:00 am
		Easter Brunch	11:00 am