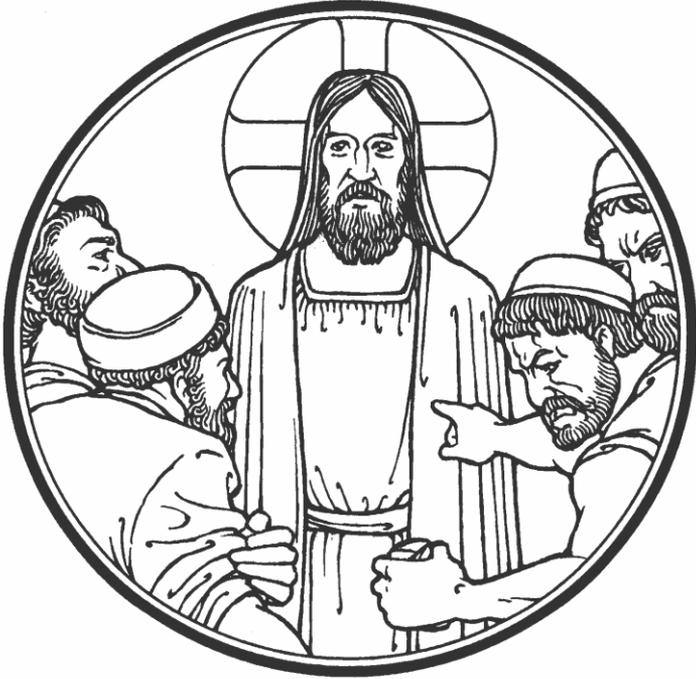


**Messiah Lutheran Church**  
**The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod**



**Fifth Sunday in Lent**  
**Judica**

**April 2, 2017**

**Divine Service III**

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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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:** Pastor Roemke

**Elder:** Bob Trapp

**Ushers:** Roger Jeschke & Sam Braya

**Greeter:** Gail Kulbacki

**Organist:** Monica Scholz

**Altar Guild:** Bonnie Griepentrog, Kris Kochman, & Doris Colombe

**Cookies:** Today's cookies and juice are provided by Donna Boyd and Linda Polcin.

*All Gloria Patris are removed from here through Easter.  
The crosses are completely veiled from now until Good Friday, as the  
Gospel reading says: Jesus hid Himself.*

**Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed**

LSB 437

Stand

**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**

*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



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.



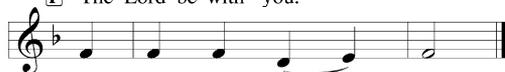
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## Salutation and Collect of the Day

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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*

<sup>1</sup>After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here am I.” <sup>2</sup>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.” <sup>3</sup>So 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. <sup>4</sup>On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. <sup>5</sup>Then 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.” <sup>6</sup>And 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. <sup>7</sup>And 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?” <sup>8</sup>Abraham said, “God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So they went both of them together.

<sup>9</sup>When 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. <sup>10</sup>Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. <sup>11</sup>But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here am I.” <sup>12</sup>He 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.” <sup>13</sup>And 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. <sup>14</sup>So 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*

<sup>11</sup>But 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) <sup>12</sup>he 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. <sup>13</sup>For 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, <sup>14</sup>how 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. <sup>15</sup>Therefore 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**



**C** 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



## Holy Gospel

*John 8:46–59*

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



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

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

*The Processional Crucifix is veiled.*

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



## Apostles' Creed

*Sit*

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## *My Song Is Love Unknown*

*LSB 430*

## Sermon

*Stand*

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<i>Stand</i>	
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<b>Agnus Dei</b>	<i>p198</i>
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<i>Precious Lord, Take My Hand</i>	<i>LSB 739</i>
<i>I Lay My Sins on Jesus</i>	<i>LSB 606</i>
<i>Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now</i>	<i>LSB 902</i>
<i>Jesus, Lead Thou On</i>	<i>LSB 718</i>
<i>Stand</i>	
 <b><i>Grant Peace, We Pray, in Mercy, Lord</i></b>	 <i>LSB 778</i>
	
Grant peace, we pray, in mer-cy, Lord; Peace in our time, O send us!	
	
For there is none on earth but You, None oth-er to de-fend us.	
	
You on - ly, Lord, can fight for us. A - men.	
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<b>Benediction</b>	<i>p202</i>
 <b><i>In the Cross of Christ I Glory</i></b>	 <i>LSB 427</i>

**+PRAYER LIST+**

- ✘ Those who serve in our nation's armed forces: DuWayne Griepentrog, Exor Padro, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Austin Nehls, and for veterans.
- ✘ Shut-ins: Lillian Sciortino, Ernie Kapellusch, Richard Cleereman, Wally and Gloria Pipkorn.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Carol Hernandez, Jason Stephans, Gerald (Sandra Babel's brother), Lorraine Swift, Bob Hogan (Ash Noble's uncle), Kathy Shafer, Jenny (Vicky Nelson's aunt), Katy Billings, and Elaine Roloff (Evone Hagerman's mother).

**+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 2, 2017+**

- ✘ **LENTEN MEALS AND SERVICES** conclude this week. We will have a soup supper at 5:30 pm followed by the Service of Prayer and Preaching at 6:30 pm. Please see the sign-up sheet in the hallway.
- ✘ **EASTER EGG HUNT:** If your children (12 and under) will be attending, please sign them up on the sheet in the hallway as soon as possible so we know how many supplies we need. Kate Tobalsky is accepting cash donations to cover the cost of this event.
- ✘ **EASTER BREAKFAST:** We will be having an Easter breakfast potluck again this year. Please see the sign-up sheet in the hallway. The elders are providing ham and rolls.
- ✘ **LWML** will be collecting donations to take to the spring rally. These donations will be used for Guatemalan mission trips and include: toothbrushes, diaper cream, hydrocortisone cream, children and adult sunglasses, and reading glasses. Donations can be placed in the LWML basket in the narthex through Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**+CONTRIBUTIONS+**

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,949
Lord's Work Received 3/26-4/1:	\$3,786
Difference Received vs. Needed:	-163
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	-1,683

**ATTENDANCE** 3/26: 143

Communed: 124

**BIRTHDAYS**

4/4 Mark Bernhardt  
Ryan Stephans  
4/5 Chuck Leisten  
4/8 Jacob Kentala

**BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

4/7 Alana Carrocci  
4/8 Allison Stephans