

Zion Lutheran Church

Fredericksburg, Texas

Second Sunday in Lent February 28, 2021

P=Presider **R=Responses**

BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please prepare your heart and mind for worship)

PRE-WORSHIP MUSIC

"The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power" by Andraé Crouch

(Please stand, kneel or remain seated)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R Amen

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Most merciful God,

R we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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 As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R Amen

SENDING HYMN “My Life Flows On in Endless Song”

HYMN NO. 763

**My life flows on in endless song;
above earth's lamentation,
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn
that hails a new creation.**

Refrain:

***No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
how can I keep from singing?***

**Through all the tumult and the strife,
I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul.
How can I keep from singing? *Refrain***

**What though my joys and comforts die?
The Lord my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round?
Songs in the night he giveth. *Refrain***

**The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his!
How can I keep from singing? *Refrain***

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899

DISMISSAL

L Go in peace. Christ is with you.
R **Thanks be to God.**

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” by William B. Bradbury & Edward Mote
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GATHERING

(Please stand as you are able)

HYMN “Holy God, We Praise Your Name” (vs.1,2,4)

HYMN NO. 414

**Holy God, we praise your name;
Lord of all, we bow before you.
All on earth your scepter claim,
all in heav'n above adore you.
Infinite your vast domain,
everlasting is your reign.**

**Hark! The glad celestial hymn
angel choirs above are raising;
cherubim and seraphim,
in unceasing chorus praising,
fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:
"Holy, holy, holy Lord!"**

**Holy Father, holy Son,
Holy Spirit, three we name you,
though in essence only one;
undivided God we claim you
and, adoring, bend the knee
while we own the mystery.**

Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820-1900

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and
the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
R **And also with you.**

(Please stand as you are able)

DIALOGUE

P Let us ever walk with Jesus.

R To see the depths of his love.

P To behold the gift of his forgiveness!

R To gaze upon the heights of his grace.

P To marvel at the magnitude of his mercy.

R We walk with Jesus to the Mount of Olives.

P He sang a hymn overflowing with hope.

R For though the sheep will be scattered—

P After Christ is raised he will go before them into Galilee.

**R Faithful Lord, with me abide. I shall follow
where you guide!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

R And also with you.

P Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, in the darkness of that night so long ago on the Mount of Olives, with your disciples you sang songs of hope. Place those same songs into our hearts and mouths, for you have won the battle; for you live and reign with the Father and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

R Amen



RESPONSE

(Please be seated)

OFFERING

How to make a financial offering:

- Mail your offering envelope to the church office
 - Check out Zion's website for online donation option via [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly)
OR you can go directly to this link
<https://tithe.ly/give?c=1367077>
 - Set up direct bill pay at your personal bank
- And always remember, there are **many** ways we can make offerings to God, such as prayer and acts of service.*

*“Lord, I’m Coming Home” by William J. Kirkpatrick
“Oh, How He Loves You and Me” by Kurt Kaiser*

(Please stand as you are able)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Hear us, O God,

R your mercy is great.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

R 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

BENEDICTION

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

R Amen

**Let us also live with Jesus.
He has risen from the dead
that to life we may awaken.
Jesus, you are now our head,
we are your own living members;
where you live, there we shall be
in your presence constantly,
living there with you forever.
Jesus, let me faithful be;
life eternal grant to me.**

Text: Sigismund von Birken, 1626-1681; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, alt.
Text © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

P Let us confess our faith, the faith in which we baptize, in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

R **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

R **And also with you.**

(Please be seated)

SPECIAL MUSIC

Ray Salinas

WORD

FIRST READING 2 Chronicles 20:1-2, 14-22

After this the Moabites and Ammonites, and with them some of the Meunites, came against Jehoshaphat for battle. ²Messengers came and told Jehoshaphat, "A great multitude is coming against you from Edom, from beyond the sea; already they are at Hazazon-tamar" (that is, En-gedi). ¹⁴Then the spirit of the LORD came upon Jahaziel son of Zechariah, son of Benaiah, son of Jeiel, son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph, in the middle of the assembly. ¹⁵He said, "Listen, all Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem, and King Jehoshaphat: Thus says the LORD to you: 'Do not fear or be dismayed at this great multitude; for the battle is not yours but God's. ¹⁶Tomorrow go down against them; they will come up by the ascent of Ziz; you will find them at the end of the valley, before the wilderness of Jeruel. ¹⁷This battle is not for you to fight; take your position, stand still, and see the victory of the LORD on your behalf, O Judah and Jerusalem.' Do not fear or be dismayed; tomorrow go out against them, and the LORD will be with you." ¹⁸Then Jehoshaphat bowed down with his face to the ground, and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem fell down before the LORD, worshiping the LORD. ¹⁹And the Levites, of the Kohathites and the Korahites, stood up to praise the LORD, the God of Israel, with a very loud voice. ²⁰They rose early in the morning and went out into the wilderness of Tekoa; and as they went out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, "Listen to me, O Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem! Believe in the LORD your God and you will be established; believe his prophets." ²¹When he had taken counsel with the people, he appointed those who were to sing to the LORD and praise him in holy splendor, as they went before the army, saying, "Give thanks to the LORD, for his steadfast love endures forever." ²²As they began to sing and praise, the LORD set an ambush against the Ammonites, Moab, and Mount Seir, who had come against Judah, so that they were routed. (NRSV)

L The Word of the Lord.

R **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

¹⁶ Rejoice always, ¹⁷ pray without ceasing, ¹⁸ give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. ¹⁹ Do not quench the Spirit. ²⁰ Do not despise the words of prophets, ²¹ but test everything; hold fast to what is good; ²² abstain from every form of evil. ²³ May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴ The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this. (NRSV)

L The Word of the Lord.

R Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Return to..." HYMNAL p. 142



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.

P The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, the 26th Chapter.

R Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL Matthew 26:30-35

³⁰ When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. ³¹ Then Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'³² But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee." ³³ Peter said to him, "Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you." ³⁴ Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." ³⁵ Peter said to him, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And so said all the disciples. (NRSV)

P The gospel of the Lord.

R Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

SERMON "Places of the Passion: The Mt. of Olives"
Rev. Lisa Hoelscher

(Please stand as you are able)

HYMN "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" **HYMN NO. 802**

**Let us ever walk with Jesus,
follow his example pure,
through a world that would deceive us
and to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in his footsteps treading,
trav'lers here, our home above,
full of faith and hope and love,
let us do our Savior's bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide;
I shall follow where you guide.**

**Let us suffer here with Jesus,
and with patience bear our cross.
Joy will follow all our sadness;
where he is there is no loss.
Though today we sow no laughter,
we shall reap celestial joy:
all discomforts that annoy
shall give way to mirth hereafter.
Jesus, here I share your woe;
help me there your joy to know.**

**Let us gladly die with Jesus.
Since by death he conquered death,
he will free us from destruction,
give to us immortal breath.
Let us mortify all passion
that would lead us into sin;
and the grave that shuts us in
shall but prove the gate of heaven.
Jesus, here with you I die,
there to live with you on high.**

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In our Hearts and Prayers: our homebound and shut-ins, all other nursing home residents, Myrtle Becker, Claribel Hannemann, Alton Moellering (husband of Dorothy Moellering), Stan Sultemeier, Margaret Wilke, our Fredericksburg community, our government, our nation, and the military.

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The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and his bountiful mercy and in honor of Paul Hannemann's birthday given by his family.

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The Special Concern for February is the Fredericksburg Food Pantry. They are in desperate need for food and monetary donations. You may write your check out to Zion with Food Pantry in the memo line. Thank you for your support.

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Zion is now offering In-Person Worship each Sunday along with the service still being live on the radio and YouTube. If you wish to attend the Sunday Worship Service, please RSVP to the church office by the Thursday before.

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Easter Lilies are now available to purchase for \$8 each. Please fill out the insert or call the church office to order yours.

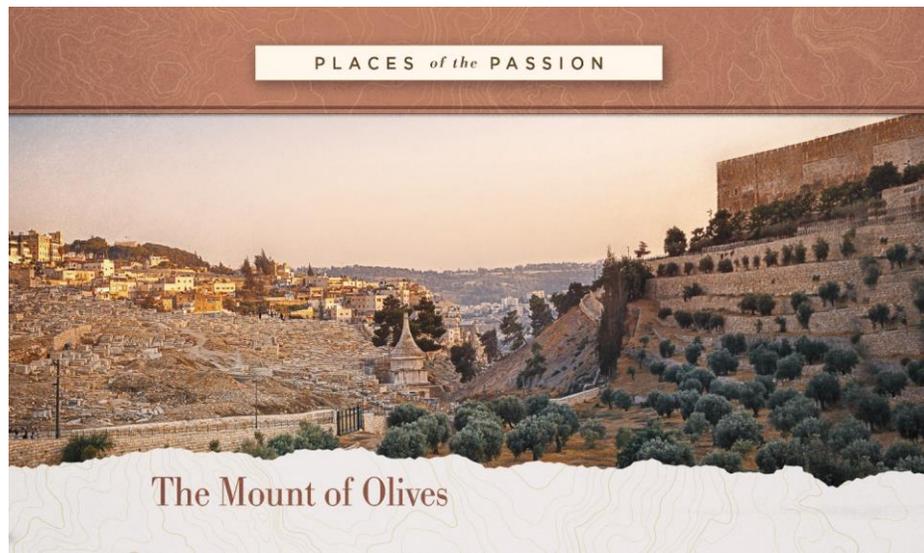
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WORSHIP LECTOR – Margaret Solbrig

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

- MON – Mar 1 9:00am Staff Meeting
6:30pm Growing in Faith via Zoom
- TUES – Mar 2 6:00pm Bible Study via Zoom &
In-Person in the Conf Rm
- WED – Mar 3 9:00am Daycare Chapel
- SUN – Mar 7 10:30am In-Person Worship
(Please RSVP)
10:30am Service Broadcast on KNAF
10:30am Service Live on YouTube
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The Mount of Olives

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