

# Zion Lutheran Church

Fredericksburg, Texas

**First Sunday in Lent**

**March 6, 2022**

P=Presider **R=Responses**

## BELLS

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(Please prepare your heart and mind for worship)*

## PRE-WORSHIP MUSIC

*"I'd Rather Have Jesus"* by Rhea F. Miller & George Beverly Shea; arr. Dino Kartsonakis

*(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**

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P Heavenly Father,

**R we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen**

P Beloved in Christ, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God shall be saved. 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**

## 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**

## SENDING HYMN

*"How Great Thou Art"*

**HYMN NO. 856**

**O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the works thy hand hath made,  
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,  
thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;**

***Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
how great thou art! How great thou art!  
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how great thou art! How great thou art!***

**When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; *Refrain***

**But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
that on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
he bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain***

**When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" *Refrain***

Text: Carl G. Boberg, 1859-1940; tr. and adapt. Stuart K. Hine, 1899-1989.  
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## DISMISSAL

A We share the joy of Christ.

**R We worship, love, and serve.**

*"I Am Thine, O Lord"* by William H. Doane & Fanny J. Crosby

**HYMN**

*“Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling”* (vs.1&3) **HYMN NO. 608**

**Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,  
calling for you and for me.  
See, on the portals he's waiting and watching,  
watching for you and for me.**

***Refrain:***

***"Come home, (Come home,) come home! (come home!)  
You who are weary, come home."  
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,  
calling, "O sinner, come home!"***

**Oh, for the wonderful love he has promised,  
promised for you and for me!  
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon,  
pardon for you and for me. *Refrain***

Text: Will L. Thompson, 1847-1909

*“Near to the Heart of God”* by Cleland B. McAfee

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION**

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**R Amen**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**P** Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body, the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need.

**R Amen**

**GATHERING**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**GATHERING HYMN “O Lord, throughout These Forty Days” HYMN NO. 319**

**O Lord, throughout these forty days  
you prayed and kept the fast;  
inspire repentance for our sin,  
and free us from our past.**

**You strove with Satan, and you won;  
your faithfulness endured;  
lend us your nerve, your skill, and trust  
in God's eternal word.**

**Though parched and hungry, yet you prayed  
and fixed your mind above;  
so teach us to deny ourselves  
that we may know God's love.**

**Be with us through this season, Lord,  
and all our earthly days,  
that when the final Easter dawns,  
we join in heaven's praise.**

Text: based on Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838-1898; para. Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930  
Text © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

**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.**

**KYRIE** (from the Greek word "Lord" – Spoken)

**HYMNAL p. 147**

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**R Lord, have mercy.**

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

**R Lord, have mercy.**

A 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.

**R Lord, have mercy.**

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

**R Lord, have mercy.**

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

**R Amen**

**HYMN OF PRAISE** (Response sung) "This Is the Feast..." **HYMNAL p. 149**

A This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**R Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with you.

**R And also with you.**

P Let us pray. O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**R Amen**

**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**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

(Please be seated)

**DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

*All are welcome to share the body and blood of Jesus that are present in the bread and wine of communion. If you do not wish to participate, you may still come forward for a blessing. As you come forward, please have your hands open to receive a wafer (the body of Christ). If you desire a gluten free wafer and/or white grape juice, please hold up two fingers to the server.*

**COMMUNION HYMN**

"Lamb of God"

**HYMNAL p. 154**



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

## PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

**R And also with you.**

## RESPONSE

*(Please be seated)*

### OFFERING

*“Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone”* by George N. Allen & Thomas Shepherd

*(Please stand as you are able)*

### DIALOGUE *(Spoken)*

P The Lord be with you.

**R And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

**R We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**R It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...

*(Sung)*

### **HYMN NO. 191** *(Holy, Holy...)*

**R Holy, holy, holy are you, God of power and might; Heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who comes in your name. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!**

Text and Music: Marty Haugen, 1990, GIA Publications, Inc.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

**R Amen**

*(Please be seated)*

## SPECIAL MUSIC

*“Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”* **Zion Gospel Singers**

Words and music by Helen H. Lemmel, arr. by Cliff Duren; Directed by Rhonda Behrends

## WORD

### FIRST READING

### **Deuteronomy 26:1-11**

*The annual harvest festival, called the Feast of Weeks, provides the setting for this reading. This festival celebrates the first fruits of the produce of the land offered back to God in thanks. In this text, worshipers announce God’s gracious acts on behalf of Israel.*

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, <sup>2</sup>you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. <sup>3</sup>You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, “Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.” <sup>4</sup>When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, <sup>5</sup>you shall make this response before the LORD your God: “A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. <sup>6</sup>When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, <sup>7</sup>we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. <sup>8</sup>The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; <sup>9</sup>and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. <sup>10</sup>So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.” You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. <sup>11</sup>Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

L The Word of the Lord.

**R Thanks be to God.**

### SECOND READING

### **Romans 10:8b-13**

*Paul reminds the Christians at Rome of the foundation of their creed, the confession of faith in the risen Christ as Lord.*

<sup>8b</sup> “The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup> because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. <sup>11</sup> The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup> For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. <sup>13</sup> For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

L The Word of the Lord.  
R **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand as you are able)  
**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** “Thy Word”



Words & Music by Amy Grant and Michael W. Smith; CCLI #14301 © 1984 Word Music, LLC Meadow Green Music Co.

P The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the 4<sup>th</sup> Chapter.  
R **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL** **Luke 4:1-13**

*After being filled with the Holy Spirit at his baptism, Jesus is led in the wilderness. Through his responses to the temptations of the devil, he defines what it means to be called “the Son of God.”*

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, <sup>2</sup> where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. <sup>3</sup> The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.” <sup>4</sup> Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone.’” <sup>5</sup> Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. <sup>6</sup> And the devil said to him, “To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please.

<sup>7</sup> If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.” <sup>8</sup> Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’” <sup>9</sup> Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, <sup>10</sup> for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,’ <sup>11</sup> and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’” <sup>12</sup> Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” <sup>13</sup> When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

P The gospel of the Lord.  
R **Praise to you, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)  
**SERMON** “Jesus in the Wilderness” **Rev. Ron Windecker**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** “O Jesus, I Have Promised” (vs.1,2,4) **HYMN NO. 810**

**O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;  
remain forever near me, my master and my friend.  
I shall not fear the battle if you are by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.**

**Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ever near.  
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear.  
My foes are ever near me, around me and within;  
but, Jesus, then draw nearer to shield my soul from sin.**

**O Jesus, you have promised to all who follow you  
that where you are in glory your servant shall be too.  
And Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;  
oh, give me grace to follow, my master and my friend.**

Text: John E. Bode, 1816-1874, alt.

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

**THE APOSTLES’ CREED**

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**In our Hearts and Prayers:** our homebound and shut-ins, all other nursing home residents, Margaret Pries, Diane Mayer, Margaret Wilke, our Fredericksburg community, our government, our nation, and the military.

**Today we welcome new members:** Gerald Crenwelge and Ron and Aleks Gant.

**The Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God by Arthur Haun, Jr. in honor of his family members and church family who will celebrate wedding anniversaries in March.

**The Special Concern for March** is the Lutheran Disaster Response. Your gifts will support Ukrainians affected by the crisis. Your gifts will be matched up to \$600 by an anonymous donor, plus an additional budgeted amount of \$500 will be added to the total.

**Desserts are needed for the Lenten Suppers**, please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex on the easel above the flower chart.

**Please note:** all Lent Worship Services will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 6pm. (*Lenten Suppers begin at 5pm.*)

**There are still opportunities** to give Altar Flowers in May, June and July.

**Thank you** for your General Fund Contributions of \$2,822 given last week.

**Attendance:** 60 (**Ash Wednesday Attendance:** 65)

**WORSHIP ASSISTANT & LECTOR** – Wilfred Crenwelge & Doug Reitenga

**USHERS** – Jim and Emma Jane O’Neal, Arleen Crenwelge, Yvonne Klaerner, Florence Rogers, Doris Schneider

### MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

TODAY – Mar 6	9:00am	Coffee & Donuts
	9:15am	Sunday School – Fell Hall
	9:15am	Adult SS – Sewing Rm
	10:30am	Worship with Communion & Receive New Members
	10:30am	Service Broadcast on KNAF
	10:30am	Service Live on YouTube <a href="http://www.zion-lutheran.com/youtube">www.zion-lutheran.com/youtube</a>
MON – Mar 7	9:00am	Staff Mtg
TUES – Mar 8	5:15pm	Finance Committee Mtg – Conf Rm
	5:50pm	Choir Practice – Fell Hall
	6:00pm	Investment Committee Mtg – Conf Rm
WED – Mar 2	8:30am	Laborers of Love – Arhelger House
	5-5:45pm	Lenten Supper – Fell Hall (veggie soup/sandwiches)
	6:00pm	Lent Worship – Fell Hall
	6:45pm	Council Mtg – Conf Rm
SAT – Mar 12		Set your clocks forward 1 hour before bedtime
SUN – Mar 13	8:00am	Worship with Communion
	8:00am	Service Broadcast on KNAF
	8:00am	Service Live on YouTube <a href="http://www.zion-lutheran.com/youtube">www.zion-lutheran.com/youtube</a>
	9:00am	Coffee & Donuts
	9:15am	Sunday School – Fell Hall
	9:15am	Adult SS – Sewing Rm



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