

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 26, 2023

Hymn 423

"The Power of the Cross"

The Hymn of the Month

Stand

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Confession

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

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

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

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 his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

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.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

CW 174

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Amen.

The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation, that through his anguish, pain, and death we may receive the forgiveness of sins, victory over the grave, and finally inherit eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

The woman conceived, and she gave birth to a son at that same time of year, just as Elisha said to her. ¹⁸The boy grew up, and one day he went out to his father, who was with the reapers. 19Then he said to his father, "My head! My head!" His father said to his servant, "Carry him to his mother." ²⁰So he picked him up and carried him to his mother, and the boy sat on her lap until noon. Then he died. 21Then she went up and laid him on the bed of the man of God. She shut the door behind her and went out. ²²Then she called to her husband and said, "Send one of the servants to me with one of the donkeys, so that I can run to the man of God and come back." ²³He said, "Why are you going to him today? It's not the new moon, and it's not the Sabbath." But she said, "It's all right." ²⁴Then she saddled the donkey and said to her servant, "Lead the way. Don't slow down for me unless I tell you." ²⁵So she went to the man of God at Mount Carmel. When the man of God saw her from a distance, he said to his servant Gehazi, "Look! That's the woman from Shunem! ²⁶Now run to meet her and say, 'Are you all right? Is your husband all right? Is your son all right?' " She answered, "We're all right." ²⁷Then she came to the man of God at the mountain, and she grasped his feet. Gehazi stepped forward to push her away, but the man of God said, "Leave her alone, for her soul is in distress, but the LORD has hidden it from me. He has not told me." ²⁸Then she said, "Did I ask my lord for a son? Didn't I say, 'Don't give me false hope'?" ²⁹Then Elisha said to Gehazi, "Hike up your garments for travel, and take my staff in your hand and go! If you meet someone, do not greet him, and if someone greets you, do not answer. Put my staff on the boy's face." 30 But the boy's mother said, "As surely as the LORD lives and your soul lives, I will not leave you." So he got up and followed her. 31Gehazi went ahead of them and put the staff on the boy's face. But there was no sound, and there was no response. So he went back to Elisha and told him, "The boy did not wake up." 32When Elisha came to the house, there the boy was—dead, lying on his bed. 33So he went in and he shut the door behind the two of them. Then he prayed to the LORD. ³⁴He got up and lay down on top of the boy. He put his mouth to the boy's mouth, his eyes to the boy's eyes, his palms to the boy's palms. Then he bent down over him, and the boy's flesh became warm. ³⁵He went back into the house and paced back and forth. Then he went up and bent down over him, and the boy sneezed seven times. Then the boy opened his eyes. ³⁶Then Elisha called Gehazi and said, "Call the woman of Shunem!" So he called her, and she came in. He said, "Pick up your son." ³⁷So she came in and fell at Elisha's feet and bowed down to the ground. Then she picked up her son and went out.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Special Choir

8:00 & 10:30 AM

Adult Choir

Second Reading

Romans 8:11-19 (EHV)

And if the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will also make your mortal bodies alive through his Spirit, who is dwelling in you. ¹²So then, brothers, we do not owe it to the sinful flesh to live in harmony with it. ¹³For if you live in harmony with the sinful flesh, you are going to die. But if by the Spirit you put to death the actions of the body, you will live. ¹⁴Indeed, those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery so that you are afraid again, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we call out, "*Abba*, Father!" ¹⁶The Spirit himself joins our spirit in testifying that we are God's children. ¹⁷Now if we are children, we are also heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, since we suffer with him, so that we may also be glorified with him. ¹⁸For I conclude that our sufferings at the present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is going to be revealed to us. ¹⁹In fact, creation is waiting with eager longing for the sons of God to be revealed.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel

John 11:17-27, 38-45 (EHV)

When Jesus arrived at Bethany, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. ¹⁸Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles away. ¹⁹Many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them concerning their brother. ²⁰When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him, while Mary was sitting in the house. ²¹Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. 22But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." ²³Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴Martha replied, "I know that he will rise in the resurrection on the Last Day." ²⁵Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me will live, even if he dies. ²⁶And whoever lives and believes in me will never perish. Do you believe this?" ²⁷"Yes, Lord," she told him. "I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who was to come into the world." ... ³⁸Jesus was deeply moved again as he came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹"Take away the stone," he said. Martha, the dead man's sister, told him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, because it has been four days." 40 Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?" 41So they took away the stone. Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you heard me. 42I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." 43After he said this, he shouted with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" 44The man who had died came out with his feet and his hands bound with strips of linen and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus told them, "Loose him and let him go." 45Therefore many of the Jews who came to Mary and saw what Jesus did believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

Be seated

Hymn 848

"For Me to Live Is Jesus"

Sermon

John 11:17-27, 38-45

Stand

Nicene Creed

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 truly 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.

Be seated

Profession of Faith / Adult Confirmation

10:30 AM Adam & Britney Passig and their son Vincent

Prayer of the Church

Offering

Stand

Offering Hymn 749 v. 1

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

The Sacrament

Preface CW 183

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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 brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree, would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy CW 184



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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks to you for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its

curse and penalty. He rescued us from the terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Words of Institution

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. **Amen.**

Jesus, Lamb of God



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Be seated

Distribution

Hymn 836

"I Walk in Danger All the Way"

Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet you have given us in this Sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us 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.

Amen.

Blessing

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. **Amen.**

Be seated

Hymn 502 v. 1, 3-4

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

Acknowledgments

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Announcement

New Pastor Coming!

God has answered our prayers and is sending us another Pastor! Pastor Nicholas Mount accepted our call to be our Associate Pastor. Pastor Mount, his wife Diana, and their five children will be arriving to Dodge County in June. Please keep their Nebraska dual parish in your prayers as they now look to fill the vacancy left by Pastor Mount. Also, please keep Pastor Mount in your prayers as he transitions to serving us in Dodge County! For more information on Pastor Mount, please see the April Welcome newsletter!

<u>New Members:</u> St. John's welcomes its newest members! We are so happy that you are here! May you continue to grow in your knowledge and love of the LORD! New members: Adam & Britney Passig and their son Vincent.

Adopt a Bill: Thank you to those who are supporting our Adopt a Bill program through their prayers and gifts! The new April Adopt a Bill envelopes will be available beginning April 2nd. These updated April envelopes have the new April bills notated on them. Please pray that God would continue to bless this program!

<u>Easter at our Salem-Lowell Campus</u>: Please check out the various signup sheets located in the narthex regarding Easter and Easter breakfast!

- Sign-up sheet is in the narthex for items needed for the Easter Breakfast.
- Sign-up sheet is in the narthex to sign up for those who will attend Easter Breakfast. This is for an estimate on how much food is needed.
- Sign-up sheet is in the narthex to sign up for bringing Easter Plants/Flowers for Easter Sunday.

<u>School Musical Tickets:</u> St. John's School is performing a musical and you are invited! This year's production is "Into the Woods, Jr." Tickets will be sold between Sunday services at our Juneau Campus on March 26th. Tickets may also be purchased in the school office on Mondays-Fridays from 7:30-3:30 or email school@stjohnsjuneau.org. Tickets are \$4/advance and \$5/door. Showtimes are Friday, March 31st at 7pm and Saturday, April 1st at 2pm.

2022 Offering Statements: If you haven't already done so, please pick up your 2022 Offering Statements and Offering Envelopes. They are available at our St. John's church office. Also, if you would like your statement emailed to you, please contact Jen at contributionmanager@stjohnsjuneau.org Thank you!

Easter for Kids:

 Would you be willing to donate individually wrapped Easter candy for our upcoming Easter for Kids? If so, please bring it to any campus by April 2nd. Thank you!



- Children, please join us for our upcoming Easter for Kids on Saturday.

 April 8th from 9-10:30 AM at our St. John's School! Easter for Kids is a fun-filled morning complete with an egg hunt and games for ages 0-12. The morning is designed for children and their parents/caregivers to participate in together. Please register on our app or website if you are interested in attending.
- If you have any questions or would like to volunteer for this event, please contact Char at 920-219-0122 or email volunteer@stjohnsjuneau.org.

Easter Lilies in Juneau: 33 Easter Lilies have been pre-ordered from Robin's Countryside Gardens for our Juneau Campus. The cost is \$15.00/plant. If you are interested in ordering an Easter Lily, please see the signup sheet in the Juneau narthex.



Volunteers (3/26)

Greeters:

8:00 AM Lisa Bilgrien, Suzi Colantonio, Char Lober

10:30 AM Delores Gentz, Russ and Barb Ridge

Communion Assistants:

8:00 AM Dave Gerbitz, Chuck Wolfram, Luke Hirschfeld, Matt Lober

9:30 AM Pastors and Matt Smith

10:30 AM Randy Mohr, Russ Ridge, Nick Tolkinen, Ben Gentz

Ushers:

8:00 AM Scott Bilgrien, Steve Weinheimer, Tony Colantonio, Bob McLain

9:30 AM Harold Lenz, William Borth

10:30 AM Mark Saeger, Keith Weinheimer, Andy Gentz, Brandon Saeger

Snow Removal: (Week of 3/27)

Team 4: Mark and Andrew Buelter

Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday April 6th

3:30 PM & 6:30 PM Juneau Campus includes Lord's Supper

Good Friday April 7th

1:30 PM Juneau Campus - Service of Darkness6:30 PM Salem-Lowell Campus - Choir-led Service

Easter Vígíl April 8th

5:00 PM Horicon Campus

Easter April 9th

6:30 AM Juneau Campus - Sunrise Service with Lord's Supper

9:00 AM Juneau Campus - Festival Service

9:30 AM Salem-Lowell Campus - Easter Service with Lord's Supper

Easter Breakfast

Juneau 7:30 AM - 9:00 AM & Salem-Lowell Campus 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM



Statistics 3/8-3/12

Offerings given to our Lord

 General
 \$14,216.14

 Debt
 \$185.00

 Improvement
 \$105.00

 Lakeside
 \$99.55

 Missions
 \$1,551.90

 Total
 \$16,157.59

Adopt-a-Bill \$549.52

Attendance

3/8 245 (193, 52) 3/11-3/12 229 (53, 75, 50, 51)

At our Voter's Meeting, our congregation approved a weekly budget with an average total of \$20,246 (includes General, Lakeside and Missions) needed every week. Since the beginning of 2022, our congregation has gone from zero debt to drawing a total of \$102,197.38 from the line of credit. Please continue to support St. John's through your time, talents, treasures, and prayers. Thank you!

This Week at St. John's

Sunday (3/26)

Worship 8:00 & 10:30 AM – J

Worship 9:30 AM – SL

Bible Class 8:15 AM – SL; 9:30 AM - J Sunday School 8:30 AM – SL; 9:15 AM – J

Monday (3/27)

Readings Bible Class 6:30 PM – J Sunday School Mtg 7:30 PM - J

Tuesday (3/28)

Old Testament BC 6:30 PM - J

Wednesday (3/29)

Lenten Worship
Lenten Meal

4:30 – 6:00 PM - J

5:00 PM

Confirmation 5:00 PM – J Adult Choir 7:15 PM - J

Saturday (4/1)

Worship 5:00 PM - H

Sunday (4/2) Palm Sunday

Worship 8:00 & 10:30 AM – J

Worship 9:30 AM – SL

Bible Class 8:15 AM – SL; 9:30 AM - J Sunday School 8:30 AM – SL; 9:15 AM – J

Welcome to St. John's

WELCOME

We are so glad you joined us to worship our Lord Jesus today! St. John's is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). We are happy to answer your questions about our service, our beliefs, or communicant membership at any of our campuses. Please join us again soon!

PERSONAL PRAYER AFTER WORSHIP

Good Shepherd, I was glad to be here, gathered with your flock to worship you. Cause the Word I have heard to take root in my heart and bear fruit in my life. Guide me in paths of righteousness, that my words and actions might lead others to glorify you. Amen.

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Worship Services

(same service at all locations)
Wednesday (during Lent)
3:30pm & 6:30pm Juneau

Saturday

5:00pm Horicon

Sunday

8:00am & 10:30 Juneau

9:30am Lowell

Bible Classes

Sunday

Juneau Campus 9:30-10:15 Salem-Lowell Campus

8:15-9:00 AM

Monday

Juneau Campus 6:30 PM

Tuesday (2nd, 4th, 5th)

Juneau Campus 6:30 PM

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