



# OUR SAVIOR

## LUTHERAN CHURCH



**Sunday Divine Service 8:00am & 10:30am**

Bible Study & Sunday School: 9:30am

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***At Our Savior Lutheran Church we live to make Christ known.***

**Monthly Memory Verse:**

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;  
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!  
Psalm 95:1

**Welcome to Our Savior’s Lutheran Church!** We are glad that you are here to hear God’s Word and share His gifts with us. We thank God that He comes to us again to forgive us our sins and prepare us for eternal life today, and we are grateful that He has brought you here to be with us.

Each week we receive the Sacrament of the Altar where the Lord Jesus comes to us with His body and blood for us to eat and drink. In this sacred meal our Lord forgives our sins and strengthens us to live faithfully in communion with Him and with each other. For us this is a family meal and Christ’s expectations of us are important. If you are not an active participant in the Our Savior’s family or one of our sister congregations in the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod we would ask you to join our family before sharing this sacrament with us. For those not communing we would love for you to join us at the table as a sign of Christian unity. Simply cross your arms over your chest and our pastors will give you a blessing from the Lord. If you have any questions about this or are new here our pastors would love to talk with you. God bless you!

**On the Cover:** *The Baptism of Christ*, Tintoretto, 1580

**Serving today:**

Liturgist ..... Rev. Adam M. Matheny  
Preacher..... Rev. John H. Koopman  
Organist..... Susan Klute  
Special Music..... Introductory Choir  
Elder of the Day ..... [8:00] Gene Mensing; [10:30] Jordan Treanor  
Acolytes..... [8:00] Delaney Heitner; Jackson Ling  
..... [10:30] Endre Anderson; Levi Kitzmann  
Sacristan ..... [8:00] Kurt Anderson; [10:30] Judd Schultz  
Usher Team ... [8:00] Team 3: Bob Baker; Jeanne Anderson; Hunter Farris  
.... [10:30] Team 3: Mark Senne; Pat Plueger; Carrie Anderson  
A/V Tech..... Zak Tess

# The First Sunday in Lent

## February 22, 2026

### Confession and Absolution

#### Opening Hymn: “O Lord, throughout These Forty Days” LSB 418

- 1 O Lord, throughout these forty days  
You prayed and kept the fast;  
Inspire repentance for our sin,  
And free us from our past.
- 2 You strove with Satan, and You won;  
Your faithfulness endured;  
Lend us Your nerve, Your skill and trust  
In God’s eternal Word.
- 3 Though parched and hungry, yet You prayed  
And fixed Your mind above;  
So teach us to deny ourselves,  
Since we have known God’s love.
- 4 Be with us through this season, Lord,  
And all our earthly days,  
That when the final Easter dawns,  
We join in heaven’s praise.

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#### *Stand*

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

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

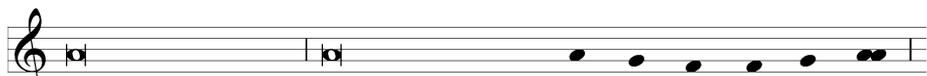
#### *Kneel/Stand*

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





**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



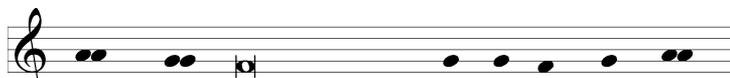
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Old Testament Reading

1 Samuel 17:40–51

<sup>40</sup>Then [David] took his staff in his hand and chose five smooth stones from the brook and put them in his shepherd's pouch. His sling was in his hand, and he approached the Philistine.

<sup>41</sup>And the Philistine moved forward and came near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. <sup>42</sup>And when the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was but a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. <sup>43</sup>And the Philistine said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. <sup>44</sup>The Philistine said to David, "Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the beasts of the field." <sup>45</sup>Then David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with a sword and with a spear and with a javelin, but I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. <sup>46</sup>This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head. And I will give the dead bodies of the host of the Philistines this day to the birds of the air and to the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, <sup>47</sup>and that all this assembly may know that the LORD saves not with sword and spear. For the battle is the LORD's, and he will give you into our hand."

<sup>48</sup>When the Philistine arose and came and drew near to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. <sup>49</sup>And David put his hand in his bag and took out a stone and slung it and struck the Philistine on his forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the ground.

<sup>50</sup>So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and struck the Philistine and killed him. There was no sword in the hand of David. <sup>51</sup>Then David ran and stood over the Philistine and took his sword and drew it out of its sheath and killed him and cut off his head with it. When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm

Psalm 118:1–13

<sup>1</sup>Oh give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good;\*  
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever!

<sup>2</sup>Let | Israel say,\*  
"His steadfast love endures for- | ever."

- <sup>3</sup>Let the house of | Aaron say,\*  
 “His steadfast love endures for- | ever.”
- <sup>4</sup>Let those who fear the | LORD say,\*  
 “His steadfast love endures for- | ever.”
- <sup>5</sup>Out of my distress I called | on the LORD;\*  
 the LORD answered me and | set me free.
- <sup>6</sup>The LORD is on my side; I | will not fear.\*  
 What can man | do to me?
- <sup>7</sup>The LORD is on my side as my | helper;\*  
 I shall look in triumph on those who | hate me.
- <sup>8</sup>It is better to take refuge | in the LORD\*  
 than to | trust in man.
- <sup>9</sup>It is better to take refuge | in the LORD\*  
 than to trust in | princes.
- <sup>10</sup>All nations sur- | rounded me;\*  
 in the name of the LORD I | cut them off
- <sup>11</sup>They surrounded me, surrounded me on | every side;\*  
 in the name of the LORD I | cut them off!
- <sup>12</sup>They surrounded me like bees;  
 they went out like a fire a- | mong thorns;\*  
 in the name of the LORD I | cut them off!
- <sup>13</sup>I was pushed hard, so that I was | falling,\*  
 but the LORD | helped me.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
 and to the Holy | Spirit;  
 as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

## Epistle

*2 Corinthians 6:1–10*

<sup>1</sup>Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says,

“In a favorable time I listened to you,  
 and in a day of salvation I have helped you.”

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. <sup>3</sup>We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; <sup>7</sup>by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for

the left; <sup>8</sup>through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Anthem:** “There is a Redeemer”

Introductory Choir

*Stand*

### Alleluia and Verse

*LSB 173*



**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  
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

### Holy Gospel

*Matthew 4:1–11*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup>And the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” <sup>4</sup>But he answered, “It is written,

“Man shall not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.”

<sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple <sup>6</sup>and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written,

“He will command his angels concerning you,”

and

“On their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you strike your foot against a stone.”

7 Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’” 8 Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. 9 And he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” 10 Then Jesus said to him, “Be gone, Satan! For it is written,

“You shall worship the Lord your God  
and him only shall you serve.”

11 Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

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



**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

## Hymn of the Day: “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

LSB 656

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God,  
A trusty shield and weapon;  
He helps us free from ev’ry need  
That hath us now o’ertaken.  
The old evil foe  
Now means deadly woe;  
Deep guile and great might  
Are his dread arms in fight;  
On earth is not his equal.
- 2 With might of ours can naught be done,  
Soon were our loss effected;  
But for us fights the valiant One,  
Whom God Himself elected.  
Ask ye, Who is this?  
Jesus Christ it is,  
Of Sabaoth Lord,  
And there’s none other God;  
He holds the field forever.

3 Though devils all the world should fill,  
All eager to devour us,  
We tremble not, we fear no ill;  
They shall not overpow'r us.  
This world's prince may still  
Scowl fierce as he will,  
He can harm us none.  
He's judged; the deed is done;  
One little word can fell him.

4 The Word they still shall let remain  
Nor any thanks have for it;  
He's by our side upon the plain  
With His good gifts and Spirit.  
And take they our life,  
Goods, fame, child, and wife,  
Though these all be gone,  
Our vict'ry has been won;  
The Kingdom ours remaineth.

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## Sermon

*Stand*

## Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\text{†}$  of the world to come. Amen.

### Prayer of the Church

#### Offertory

LSB 176



**C** What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal - va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo - ple, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

### Service of the Sacrament

*If you are an active participant at Our Savior or a sister congregation, we are glad to commune with you today. If you are not a part of the LCMS, we ask that you refrain from Communion. As a sign of our common Christian fellowship If you would like to receive a blessing, please come to the table and cross your arms over your chest.*

Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And al-so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

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

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

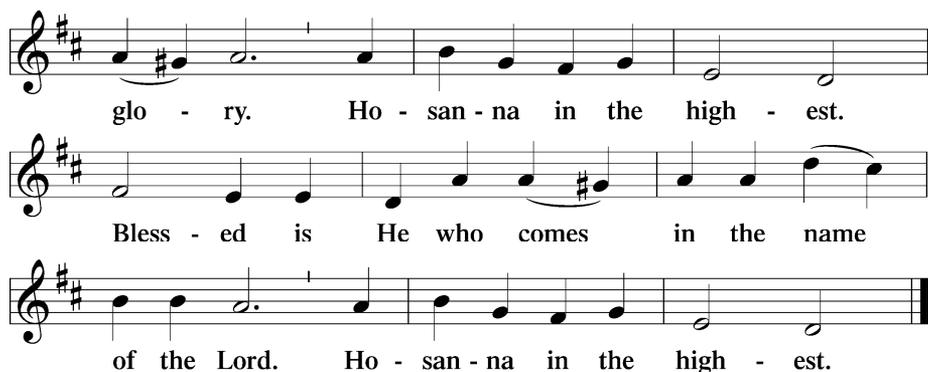
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of

pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is He who comes in the name  
 of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

*LSB 178*

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## The Words of Our Lord

### Proclamation of Christ

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

**P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:



## Distribution Hymns:

### “O Love, How Deep”

LSB 544

- 1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,  
Beyond all thought and fantasy,  
That God, the Son of God, should take  
Our mortal form for mortals' sake!
- 2 He sent no angel to our race,  
Of higher or of lower place,  
But wore the robe of human frame,  
And to this world Himself He came.
- 3 For us baptized, for us He bore  
His holy fast and hungered sore;  
For us temptation sharp He knew;  
For us the tempter overthrew.
- 4 For us He prayed; for us He taught;  
For us His daily works He wrought,  
By words and signs and actions thus  
Still seeking not Himself but us.
- 5 For us by wickedness betrayed,  
For us, in crown of thorns arrayed,  
He bore the shameful cross and death;  
For us He gave His dying breath.
- 6 For us He rose from death again;  
For us He went on high to reign;  
For us He sent His Spirit here  
To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

- △ 7 All glory to our Lord and God  
For love so deep, so high, so broad;  
The Trinity whom we adore  
Forever and forevermore.

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### “O Christ, You Walked the Road”

LSB 424

- 1 O Christ, You walked the road  
Our wand'ring feet must go.  
You faced with us temptation's pow'r  
And fought our ancient foe.

- 2 No bread of earth alone  
 Can fill our hung'ring hearts.  
 Lord, help us seek Your living Word,  
 The food Your grace imparts.
- 3 No blinding sign we ask,  
 No wonder from above.  
 Lord, help us place our trust alone  
 In Your unswerving love.
- 4 When lures of easy gain  
 With promise brightly shine,  
 Lord, help us seek Your kingdom first;  
 Our wills with Yours align.
- 5 O Christ, You walked the road  
 Our wand'ring feet must go.  
 Stay with us through temptation's hour  
 To fight our ancient foe.

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### **“Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken”**

**LSB 521**

- 1 Christ, the Lord of hosts, unshaken  
 By the devil's seething rage,  
 Thwarts the plan of Satan's minions;  
 Wins the strife from age to age;  
 Conquers sin and death forever;  
 Slams them in their steely cage.
- 2 Michael fought the heav'nly battle,  
 Godly angels by his side;  
 Warred against the ancient serpent,  
 Foiled the beast, so full of pride,  
 Cast him earthbound with his angels;  
 Now he prowls, unsatisfied.
- 3 Long on earth the battle rages,  
 Since the serpent's first deceit;  
 Twisted God's command to Adam,  
 Made forbidden fruit look sweet.  
 Then the curse of God was spoken:  
 “You'll lie crushed beneath His feet!”

- 4 Jesus came, this word fulfilling,  
 Trampled Satan, death defied;  
 Bore the brunt of our temptation,  
 On the wretched tree He died.  
 Yet to life was raised victorious;  
 By His life our life supplied.
- 5 Swift as lightning falls the tyrant  
 From his heav'nly perch on high,  
 As the word of Jesus' vict'ry  
 Floods the earth and fills the sky.  
 Wounded by a wound eternal  
 Now his judgment has drawn nigh!
- 6 Jesus, send Your angel legions  
 When the foe would us enslave.  
 Hold us fast when sin assaults us;  
 Come, then, Lord, Your people save.  
 Overthrow at last the dragon;  
 Send him to his fiery grave.

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*Stand*

## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 182

Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful-  
 filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre-  
 pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -  
 veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.  
 Glo-ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;

as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

### Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** A - men.

### Benediction

*LSB 183*

**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.

**C** A - men.

### Closing Hymn: "Jesus, Lead Thou On"

*LSB 718*

1 Jesus, lead Thou on  
 Till our rest is won;  
 And although the way be cheerless,  
 We will follow calm and fearless.  
 Guide us by Thy hand  
 To our fatherland.

2 If the way be drear,  
If the foe be near,  
Let not faithless fears o’ertake us;  
Let not faith and hope forsake us;  
For through many\_a woe  
To our home we go.

3 When we seek relief  
From a long-felt grief,  
When temptations come alluring,  
Make us patient and enduring.  
Show us that bright shore  
Where we weep no more.

4 Jesus, lead Thou on  
Till our rest is won.  
Heav’nly leader, still direct us,  
Still support, console, protect us,  
Till we safely stand  
In our fatherland.

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