

THE PARABLES
OF LENT
RECEIVE MERCY
THE PARABLE *of the*
GOOD SAMARITAN
March 8, 2023



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Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn “Glory Be to Jesus” *LSB* 433

Please stand

Invocation

P We begin our service in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

Responsory

P In this holy season the Son of God humbles Himself so that we receive mercy.

C Humble me once again, O God, that my life would be pleasing and acceptable to You.

P In this holy season the Son of God demonstrates that He is the most perfect neighbor to us by serving us with His very life.

C Live through me, O God, that I would be a neighbor when I encounter anyone in need.

P In this holy season the Son of God enters into His Passion and death so that we are exalted.

C Grant me Your peace, O God, in knowing that my faith in Jesus is pleasing and acceptable to You.

Confession and Absolution

P Too often we fail to be a neighbor to those who most need us. Let us confess the sins of our hearts and lives to our Lord who hears and forgives:

C Most merciful God, we confess that our very nature is sinful. We do not love You with all our heart, soul, mind and strength. We do not love our neighbors as ourselves. Far too often when we see those in need we pass by on the other side. Our thoughts focus only on ourselves, and we fail to love and serve as You have called us. By our selfishness we have sinned against You and against others in thought, word and deed. Forgive us, most holy God.

P The Lord Jesus came into this world to be a holy neighbor for all of humankind. His perfect life, crushing crucifixion and glorious resurrection mean complete forgiveness for the sins of our hearts and lives. Because He was beaten and left for dead on the cross, all of your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Be seated

Hymn of Response “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed” *LSB* 437

Epistle Reading ... Romans 13:8-10

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word:

“You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”

¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Special Music “Beneath the Cross” *Trinity Handbells*

Please stand for the Gospel reading

Gospel Reading ... Luke 10:25-37

²⁵And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?” ²⁷And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” ²⁸And he said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.”

²⁹But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” ³⁰Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side.

³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the

place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’ ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?” ³⁷He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” And Jesus said to him, “You go, and do likewise.”

P This is the Gospel of Our Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Be seated**Sermon Hymn** *sung to the tune of LSB 424*

1. We listen as the Word like scattered seed is sown,
For as each parable is heard Christ's kingdom is made known.
2. The stranger's need was known, and which one of the three
Had mercy and so he alone a neighbor proved to be?
3. In ev'ry time of need, before the judgment throne,
Your work, O Lamb of God, I'll plead, your merits, not my own.

Sermon**Tithes and Offering****Please stand****Prayers****Lord's Prayer**

**C. 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**

Evening Prayer

P. Together, let us pray the evening prayer:

C. Be present, merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night. We are weary of the changes and chances of life, and we need to find our rest in You. Be our light in the darkness and in Your great mercy defend us from all harm and danger. We pray through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Savior. Amen

Benediction

P. Receive the blessing of the Lord:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

C. Amen

Be seated

Closing Hymn "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain" *LSB 435*

<p>Pastor Rev. John Stern Elder Mark Prieve Music Barbara Mrosko, Organist; Trinity Handbells Worship Assistant Richard Delaske</p>
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**Faribault Lutheran School is sponsoring the Lenten Supper tonight.
They are serving Walking Tacos.**