

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

MESSAGE SONG

“God Loves Me Dearly” LSB 392 (stanzas 1-5)

MESSAGE OF THE DAY

“WHO IS JESUS?” (Text: Mark 8:27-38)
The Rev. Peter Gueldner

(Please stand)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE 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

BENEDICTION

(Please sit)

CLOSING SONG

“Amazing Grace” LSB 744 (stanzas 1-5)

P. Go in peace and serve the Lord!
C. Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

* * * **TO GOD BE THE GLORY** * * *

Lenten Midweek Services
continue...

Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.
Exodus: Let My People Go!



✝ **February 28** - Service followed by Baked Potato
Supper hosted by Faribault Lutheran School

✝ **March 6** - Followed by Lenten Supper hosted by
Trumps’ Bible Study

✝ **March 13** - Followed by Soup Supper to benefit
St. Vincent de Paul

✝ **March 20** - Followed by Soup Supper hosted by the
Trinity Youth Group

Pastor The Rev. Peter Gueldner

Music Lisa Olson; Emma Olson

Elder Wayne Meyer

Worship Assistant Bill Kirkpatrick

Lector Vivian Hagre

Ushers Larry Hagre, Dale Kelm

Greeters Cameron & Nicholas Duskin,
Duane Schlobohm

Soundboard Cameron, Nicholas Duskin

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THE CONNECTION

February 25, 2024
10:30am

PRELUDE / WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(please fill out Friendship Pads)*

WORSHIP SONG

“Let Me Learn of Jesus” (stanzas 1-4)

1. Let me learn of Jesus; He is kind to me;
Once He died to save me, Nailed upon the tree.
2. When I go to Jesus, He will hear me pray,
Make me pure and holy, Take my sins away.
3. Let me think of Jesus; He is full of love.
Looking down upon me From His throne above.
4. Oh, how good is Jesus! May He hold my hand
And at last receive me To a better land.

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Tune: James Frederick Swift*

(Please stand)

INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION OF SINS AND FORGIVENESS

P. Almighty God, have mercy on us for Christ’s sake.

C. Almighty God, I am unworthy of You and Your grace and mercy. I have sinned against You in thought, word and deed. And I cannot free myself from this condition. Therefore, I take refuge in Your loving-kindness; and I ask for Your forgiveness. We ask for Your forgiveness.

P. Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and for His sake He forgives you. As a called and ordained servant of the Lord, and on His behalf, I say to you, “You are forgiven.” In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

(Please sit)

FIRST READING *Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16*

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, ²that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly.” ³Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, ⁴“Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. ⁷And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. . . .

¹⁵And God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

L. Here ends the first reading.

SECOND READING *Romans 5:1-11*

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

L. Here ends the second reading.

(Please stand)

GOSPEL READING *Mark 8:27-38*

²⁷And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” ²⁸And they told him, “John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.” ²⁹And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.” ³⁰And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

³¹And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²And he said this plainly.

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And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

³³But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

³⁴And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.

³⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it. ³⁶For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? ³⁷For what can a man give in return for his life? ³⁸For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

P. Here ends the reading of the Gospel.

STATEMENT OF FAITH *Apostles’ Creed*

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

(Please sit)

TITHES & OFFERING

“Near the Cross” Emma Olson

(While the music is playing, please bring your offerings forward and place them in the plate.)