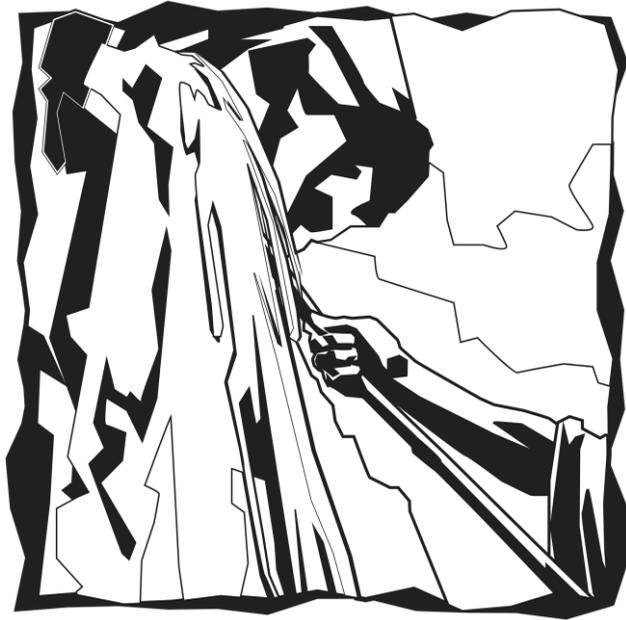


**Our mission
is to teach,
love,
and connect...
teach all ages
about Jesus,
love one another
as God loves us,
and connect
with others
in a hurting world.**

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

11:00 AM, SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2026



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We warmly welcome you in the name of Jesus!

We are always glad to have you worship with us.

*If you do not have a regular church home,
we invite you to make our church home yours.*

- † Our worship services are on Sunday mornings at 8:30 and 11:00 AM. We also invite and encourage you to join us in Sunday School and Bible Study at 9:45 AM.
- † Assisted hearing devices, children's bulletins, and large print service folders are available; please ask an usher for one.
- † While we encourage children to be present in worship, the upstairs cry room opposite the elevator is available for you.
- † Our worship services can now be viewed on the church's Facebook page (live or after the service), as well as on our YouTube channel. *The Lutheran Hour* can be heard on Sundays at 9:00 AM at KAWZ (102.7FM).

Prayer before worship:

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

AS WE GATHER It often seems that life is a debate about the things we do not know. What is truth? What is right and wrong? Where is God? None of these questions are theoretical and all of them are answered in Christ, whom we know as Savior and Redeemer. The Law reveals the depth of our need and our sinful hearts. Christ makes known the love of the Father. Gathered in worship, we meet where Christ is—in His Word and Sacraments. Faith is not about what we do not know but about what we do know. Christ is our all. He fulfills the promise of the Old Testament and completes our redemption. We confess Him who came, who comes to us now through the means of grace, and who will come again to deliver us to the Father. To know Christ is to know everything.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

“Living Waters”

by E. Cash, K. Getty

(We will be singing this later in the service. Follow along on p. 7.)

RINGING OF BELL

OPENING SONG **“Cornerstone”** by E. Mote, E. Liljero, J. Myrin, R. Morgan, W. Bradbury

**My hope is built on nothing less,
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.**

I dare not trust the sweetest frame,

But wholly trust in Jesus' Name. Repeat.

Third Sunday in Lent

Chorus **Christ alone. Cornerstone.**
Weak made strong in the Savior's love.
Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all.

When darkness seems to hide His face,
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.
My anchor holds within the veil. *Chorus twice.*

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh may I then in Him be found.
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless stand before the throne.

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WELCOME

Please stand.

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

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS

Psalms 84:4-5

Leader: Blessed are those who dwell in Your house ever singing Your praise!

People: **Blessed are those whose strength is in You, in whose hearts are the highways to Zion.**

Silence for meditation and reflection.

Leader: O almighty God, merciful Father,

People: **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being. Forgive me all my sins and grant me the power of Your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As an ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: May He who began this good work within you bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

Remain standing for the Song of Praise.

SONG OF PRAISE “My Worth Is Not in What I Own” by G .Kendrick, K. Getty, K. Getty

**My worth is not in what I own;
Not in the strength of flesh and bone.
But in the costly wounds of love at the cross.**

**My worth is not in skill or name;
In win or lose in pride or shame.
But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross**

Chorus **I rejoice in my Redeemer.
Greatest treasure, Wellspring of my soul.
I will trust in Him, no other;
My soul is satisfied in Him alone.**

**As summer flowers we fade and die;
Fame, youth and beauty hurry by,
But life eternal calls to us at the cross.**

**I will not boast in wealth or might,
Or human wisdom's fleeting light.
But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross. *Chorus***

**Two wonders here that I confess:
My worth and my unworthiness.
My value fixed, my ransom paid at the cross.**

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

Leader: Let us pray. O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Please be seated.

COME AND HEAR THE GOOD NEWS!

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 17:1–7

Moses is commanded to strike the rock from which God will bring forth water.

Reader: All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." And the LORD said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

We have peace with God through Jesus Christ.

Romans 5:1–8

Reader: Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through 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. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and 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.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand in reverence to the Gospel.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 4:4-30, 39-42

Jesus shows Himself as the living water to a Samaritan woman at the well.

Pastor: Hear now the Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

Pastor: And [Jesus] had to pass through Samaria. So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

Just then his disciples came back. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you seek?" or, "Why are you talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar and went away into town and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" They went out of the town and were coming to him.

Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ!**

CONFESSION 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 be seated.

SONG

"Living Waters"

by E. Cash, K. Getty

**Are you thirsty? Are you empty?
Come and drink these living waters.
Tired and broken, peace unspoken,
Rest beside these living waters.**

**Christ is calling, find refreshing
At the cross of living waters.
Lay your life down, all the old gone,
Rise up in these living waters.**

**Chorus: There's a river that flows
With mercy and love,
Bringing joy to the city of our God;
There our hope is secure,
Do not fear anymore,
Praise the Lord of living waters.**

**Spirit moving, mercy washing;
Healing in these living waters.
Lead your children to the shoreline,
Life is in these living waters. *Chorus***

**Are you thirsty? Are you empty?
Come and drink these living waters.
Love, forgiveness, vast and boundless,
Christ, He is our living waters** *Chorus*

Ending: **There our hope is secure,
Do not fear anymore,
Praise the Lord of living waters.**

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SERMON **“Female, Heterodox, Shunned, and Comforted”** **John 4:10**

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD.

WE PRAISE THE LORD WITH OUR OFFERINGS *Tithes and offerings are collected by the ushers. We encourage you to sign and pass the Friendship Book at this time. All communicants are invited to read and prayerfully consider the following.*

We believe that...

- + *Holy Communion is a Sacrament since it was instituted by Christ Himself.*
- + *We are truly worthy and well prepared to partake of Holy Communion when we repent of our sins and have faith in these words, “Given and shed for you for the remission of sins.”*
- + *We receive the bread and wine and the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ when, as repentant, true believers we partake of Holy Communion.*

Our Savior Lutheran Church practices close communion.

What does this mean?

Confirmed members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are welcome to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of our church or one of our sister congregations, we encourage you to speak to the pastor about preparing to participate in communion at Our Savior.

- † *Children and those not communing are welcome to come forward for a blessing (indicated by folded hands), or to remain seated for individual prayer. When the wine is offered, communicants have the choice of an individual cup or the common cup. Individual cups containing DARK WINE are alcohol-free for those with medical need only, please.*

OFFERTORY

Please stand.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

After each petition:

Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord,

People: Lord, have mercy.

The prayers conclude:

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Lord, have mercy. Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE AND SANCTUS

Pastor: 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 accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying,

People: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!"

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and

receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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 CONSECRATION

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ☩ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

Pastor: In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ☩ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

John 1:29

Pastor: We rejoice, Lord Jesus, that You did not remain on Your heavenly throne but entered Your creation for our salvation. With John the Baptist we give thanks and say,

People: "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"

DISTRIBUTION *Please be seated. If you are communing, please follow the directions of the ushers.*

SONG

"All Who Are Thirsty"

by B. Brown & G. Robertson

Chorus 1

**Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.**

Verse 1

**All who are thirsty, all who are weak,
Come to the fountain,
Dip your heart in the stream of life.
Let the pain and the sorrow be washed away
In the waves of His mercy
As deep cries out to deep (We sing) *Chorus 1***

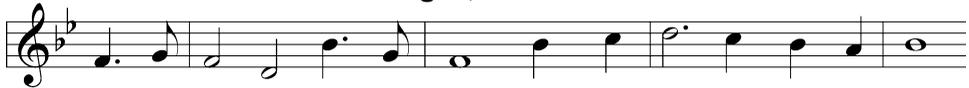
Chorus 2 **Holy Spirit, come.**
Holy Spirit, come.
Holy Spirit, come.
Holy Spirit, come.

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SONG

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

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1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee;
2 Not the la - bors of my hands Can ful - fill Thy Law's de-mands;
3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; Sim - ply to Thy cross I cling.
4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, When mine eye - lids close in death,



Let the wa - ter and the blood, From Thy riv - en side which flowed,
Could my zeal no res - pite know, Could my tears for - ev - er flow,
Na - ked, come to Thee for dress; Help - less, look to Thee for grace;
When I soar to worlds un-known, See Thee on Thy judg-ment throne,



Be of sin the dou - ble cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
All for sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone.
Foul, I to the foun-tain fly; Wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee.

Text: Augustus M. Toplady, 1740–78, Tune: Thomas Hastings, 1784–1872
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Please stand.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up his countenance on you and ✠ give you peace.

People: **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG

“Enough”

by C. Tomlin & L. Giglio

Chorus: **All of you is more than enough for all of me,**
 for every thirst and every need.
 You satisfy me with Your love,
 And all I have in You is more than enough.

 You're my supply, my breath of life;
 Still more awesome than I know.
 You're my reward, worth living for;
 Still more awesome than I know. *Chorus*

**You're my sacrifice of greatest price;
Still more awesome than I know.
You're my coming King, You are everything;
Still more awesome than I know. *Chorus***

Bridge **More than all I want, more than all I need,
You are more than enough for me.
More than all I know, more than all I can say,
You are more than enough. *Repeat louder.***

Chorus

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Readings for next Sunday:

Isaiah 42:14–21

Psalm 142

Ephesians 5:8–14

John 9
