

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements

SUNDAY SERIES: In our Sunday morning services during Lent we will be having a series of sermons entitled "Object Lessons From Christ's Passion." The objects we will be examining and the lessons we will be learning are the following:

1. The Water and the Towel—A Lesson on Cleansing
2. The Rooster and the Tears—A Lesson on Steadfastness
3. The Thorns and the Whip—A Lesson on Endurance
4. The Coins and the Dice—A Lesson on Covetousness
5. The Sponge and the Spear—A Lesson on Genuineness
6. The Pen and the Ink—A Lesson on Justice.

Maunder Thursday: The Bread and the Wine—A Lesson on Remembrance

Good Friday: The Cross and the Nails—A Lesson on Death

Easter Sunday: The Rocks and the Empty Tomb—A Lesson on Life.

— **Psalm 51 (NKJV)** — 51 Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions. 2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin. 3 For I acknowledge my transgressions, And my sin is always before me. 4 Against You, You only, have I sinned, And done this evil in Your sight— That You may be found just when You speak, And blameless when You judge. 5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me. 6 Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom. 7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. 8 Make me hear joy and gladness, That the bones You have broken may rejoice. 9 Hide Your face from my sins, And blot out all my iniquities. 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me. 11 Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. 12 Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, And uphold me by Your generous Spirit. 13 Then I will teach transgressors Your ways, And sinners shall be converted to You. 14 Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, The God of my salvation, And my tongue shall sing aloud of Your righteousness. 15 O Lord, open my lips, And my mouth shall show forth Your praise. 16 For You do not desire sacrifice, or else I would give it; You do not delight in burnt offering. 17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, A broken and a contrite heart— These, O God, You will not despise. 18 Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion; Build the walls of Jerusalem. 19 Then You shall be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, With burnt offering and whole burnt offering; Then they shall offer bulls on Your altar.



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Pre-service Preparation: Ps. 51 (on back)

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

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Romans 5:12, 17-19

This is a portion of the Apostle Paul's comparison between the first and second Adams. We received DEATH THROUGH ADAM. We receive LIFE THROUGH CHRIST!

12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned—

17 For if by the one man's offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.) 18 Therefore, as through one man's offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's righteous act the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life. 19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous.

Matthew 4:1-11

Our Lord and Savior successfully withstands the temptations of the father of lies. Jesus "was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin." 4 *Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. 2 And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry. 3 Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." 4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'" 5 Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, 6 and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: 'He shall give His angels charge over you,' and, 'In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.'" 7 Jesus said to him, "It is written again, 'You shall not tempt the Lord your God.'" 8 Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. 9 And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." 10 Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only you shall serve.'" 11 Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him.*

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MARRIAGE RETREAT: A Marriage Enrichment Retreat is being offered by Messiah Lutheran Church in Eau Claire, WI. It will be held at the Comfort Inn in Black River Falls, WI on Friday evening and Saturday, March 30-31. Couples can take part in the sessions only at a modest cost, or they can make the event a pleasant "get-away" by purchasing an overnight stay. A brochure with complete information and registration is available on the table by the mailboxes. Deadline for registrations is Sunday, March 11.

DEDICATION/OPEN HOUSE: On Sunday, March 25th we will be having a dedication service for our remodeled church sanctuary. There will be a meal following. Then in the afternoon from 1:30-3:00 we will have an open house for the community to see our remodeling. More information will be forthcoming.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S RETREAT: April 13-15, 2012 at Best Western Hotel, La Crosse, WI. Brochures can be found on the table by the mailboxes. Registration deadline is March 1, 2012.

LENTEN SERVICES:

Last Wednesday 43 came to worship their Savior, confess their sins and receive the assurance of forgiveness through Christ's sacrifice on the cross. We continue our study of "The Cross and the Catechism" next Wednesday when Pastor Krause will speak on the Apostles' Creed from 1 Cor. 15:3-8. We pray that you come and worship with us. Pastor Bernthal will be at Messiah Lutheran, Hales Corners. All services will be at 7:00 p.m.

Our Lenten theme this year is:

- The Cross and the Catechism
- 2. The Creed (1 Cor. 15:3-8) ---Feb. 29: Pastor Krause
- 3. Holy Baptism (Romans 6:4-6) ---March 7: Pastor Radichel
- 4. The Sacrament of the Altar (1 Cor. 11:23-32)---March 14: Pastor Pfeiffer
- 5. The Lord's Prayer (Mark 6:9-13) ---March 21: Pastor Eichstadt
- 6. The Office of the Keys (John 20:19-23)---March 28: Pastor Bernthal

A TACO SUPPER will be held before our Lenten service on March 7th from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

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PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU! We are thankful you are worshiping our Lord and Savior with us this morning. The blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sins. What a blessed gift He has showered upon us through His sacrifice. With sins forgiven, we will forgive one another and tell others how they too can be forgiven. Please come again to hear more about your Savior and the "Object Lessons from Christ's Passion." As you leave this morning, please also sign our guest register. Thank you!

This Week:

Before Church

Naaman and Elisha

Bible Class: Who is a Jew?

Today 11:15 a.m. Sunday School
Teachers' Meeting

3-8 Mission Presentation—Around
the World in Jesus' Name Jesus

Monday

7:00 p.m. Confirmation

Tuesday 10:30 a.m. Bible Class at
Oak Park Place

Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Lent II—Pastor Krause
8:15 p.m. Choir

Thursday

4:00 p.m. Confirmation-McDonald

Next Sunday

9:00 a.m. S.S./Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Family Worship/
Communion • 11:15 a.m. Choir

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS'

MEETING: today around 11:15 a.m.

OFFERINGS 2/19 & 2/22 for
Unified Budget: \$3,346

LAST SUNDAY:

Church 55 S.S. 8 B.C. 27 Lent 43

IN YOUR MAILBOX: March
Calendar & Newsletter

IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week: Church—Ude/
Birkholz/Heberlein School—
Ohlmann/Schaefer Counters today:
Randy Dreyer & Karl Gullerud

ILC TOUR CHOIR: The Tour Choir
will be coming here for a sacred
concert on Saturday, March 17th
at 1:00 p.m. Please keep this
date open to attend this inspiring
concert of sacred music.

CLC NEWS: Holy Trinity Lutheran,
West Columbia SC, has called Anita
Meyer, Fond du Lac WI, to teach
kindergarten and lower grades.
Teacher Ryan Hammett, Watertown
SD, is resigning from his call to
Trinity Lutheran school at the end
of the school year. He is pursuing
a career change. Holy Cross
Lutheran, Phoenix AZ, has called
Pastor Michael Gurath, asking him
to begin serving on April 1, 2012.
Pastor Gurath has returned the call
he had to Rock of Ages Lutheran,
Grand Rapids MI.

The Sermon: read/listen to sermons at www.middletonlutheran.org

Sermon Text: **JOHN 13:1-11; EZEKIEL 36:25**
THE WATER AND THE TOWEL

I: We needed cleansing because of our sins.

**II: Christ provided that cleansing through
His sacrifice on the cross.**

**III: Now that we have been cleansed we will tell others
how they too can be cleansed.**

John 13:1-11

13 Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.

2 And supper being ended, the devil having already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray Him, 3 Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going to God, 4 rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself. 5 After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded. 6 Then He came to Simon Peter. And Peter said to Him, "Lord, are You washing my feet?" 7 Jesus answered and said to him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but you will know after this." 8 Peter said to Him, "You shall never wash my feet!" Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me." 9 Simon Peter said to Him, "Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head!" 10 Jesus said to him, "He who is bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you." 11 For He knew who would betray Him; therefore He said, "You are not all clean."

Ezekiel 36:25

25 Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols.

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church is a confessional Lutheran Church.

We proclaim to a world dead in sin that salvation is a gift of God's grace; that Jesus Christ paid the full sacrificial price—His very life—so that gift of salvation could be ours. More Information and Audio Sermons at middletonlutheran.org