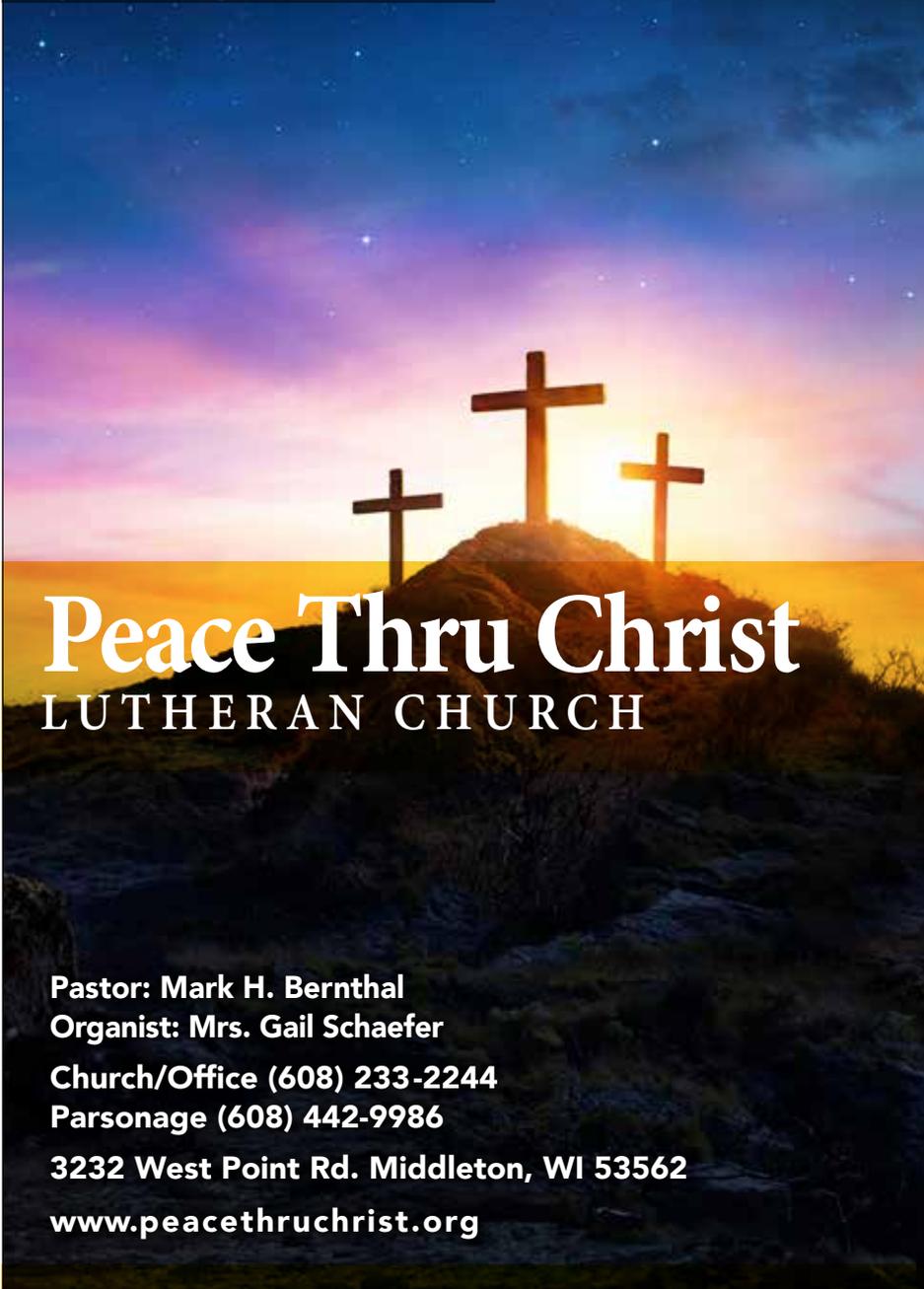


**Second Sunday in Lent
February 28, 2021**

A photograph of three wooden crosses standing on a grassy hill. The scene is set at sunset or sunrise, with a vibrant sky transitioning from purple and blue at the top to a bright orange and yellow glow behind the crosses. The foreground shows dark, rocky terrain.

Peace Thru Christ

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Pre-service Preparation: Psalm 32

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Closing Hymn:.....144:1&5
Lent Antiphon Ps. 51Pg. 28

SCRIPTURE READING :

I John 1:5-2:2

As Christians we will walk in the LIGHT. Darkness has no place in our lives as Spirit renewed creatures in Christ.

This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us. My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.

John 3:16-21

The unbelieving of this world reject the only LIGHT, Jesus Christ. They choose rather to stumble around in the darkness of their understanding and human wisdom to try to find their own salvation.

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. "He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in God."

THE SERMON:

John 1:4-9; 8:12

Jesus declares to a world stumbling around in darkness:

I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD!

I: I AM the LIGHT that shines in the darkness of this world.

II: I AM the LIGHT of LIFE to all who believe.

In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world.

Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

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PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!

We are glad you are here this morning worshiping your Savior with us. This morning we are hearing from the LIGHT of the world, Jesus Christ. We are led to see in Him our Lord and Savior. If you have any questions about what we here at Peace Thru Christ Lutheran teach, please speak with Pastor Bernthal. We invite you to come again and please sign our guest register before you leave. Thank you!

This Week:

Today: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School: The Pharisee and the Publican • Bible Class: Vignette 5—Forgiven but Not Perfect: Saint and Sinner • 10:00 a.m. Family Worship

Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Lent III: Pastor David Ude

Next Sunday: 9:00 a.m. S.S./Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Family Worship

Next Monday 7:00 p.m. Church Council by Zoom

SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week: A. Ude B. Schaser/Schaser
Counters: Kathy Dreyer & Mike Brandle

OFFERINGS 2/21 & 24 for Unified Budget: \$3,693.00
ILC SAF: \$35

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ATTENDANCE:

Facebook 20/ YouTube views 3/ Church 25

Bible Class: 13 S.S. 1

Ash Wednesday: Facebook 35/ YouTube views 4/ Church 17

CHURCH COUNCIL:

Next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 8th 7:00 p.m. by Zoom.

HANNAH'S HELPING HANDS:

The Ladies will be meeting on Tuesday, March 16th at 7:00 p.m. by Zoom.

IN YOUR MAILBOX:

March Calendar & Newsletter

CLC NEWS:

- Redeemer, Cheyenne, WY has put in a request/call for the Seminary graduate.
- Ross Kok, Holy Cross, Phoenix, AZ has returned the call by Faith, Markesan, WI to be their principal and upper grade teacher
- Matthew Kranz, Immanuel, Mankato, MN has been called to be the second full-time teacher at Immanuel Lutheran, Winter Haven, FL.
- Nathan Wales, West Columbia, SC. has been called by Grace, Sleepy Eye MN to serve as their principal and teacher.
- Mr. Caleb Noeldner has returned the call by Messiah, Eau Claire, WI to teach in grades 5-6. That call has now been extended to Nathan Wales, West Columbia, SC.
- Pastor David Schaller, Redeemer, Sister Lakes (Dowagiac), MI, has accepted the call to serve as professor at Immanuel Lutheran College, Eau Claire, WI.

- Immanuel, Mankato, MN has called Eric Libby to the Assistant Principal/Counselor position and Kevin Schrader to the High School Math and Science position.

ILC DORM SUPERVISORS:

After serving faithfully as dorm supervisors, both Gus Falkenberg and Beth Sandeen will be resigning at the end of this academic year. We thank them both for their faithful service to the LORD and for being such positive role models to our dorm students. ILC is accepting applicants for these two positions to begin the 2021-22 year, an adult male for the boys' dorm and an adult female for the girls' dorm. These roles are vital to our campus given how they provide spiritual counsel and a fatherly or motherly role to those students who are living away from home. Those who are CLC members in good standing and are able and willing to fill this position may contact ILC President Daniel Schierenbeck (dan.schierenbeck@ilc.edu/660.864.9231) for more information about the responsibilities and compensation for this position. An application is available online at ilc.edu Forms and Applications ILC Employment Application. Review of applications begins March 8.

Trip to Israel

A group trip to Israel, which had been planned for January 2021, has been postponed to January 2022. The dates are now set for January 11-20, 2022 with a possible three day extension to Jordan for those who are interested. Join a group of like-minded believers and visit the places where God stepped into History to fulfill His plan of salvation for sinners! The trip will include visits to Caesarea, Mt. Carmel, Nazareth, Cana, Capernaum, Jerusalem, the Dead Sea, En Gedi and more. It will include visits to the traditional sites of many of the events in the ministry of Jesus as well as those of the prophets and apostles. Brochures with trip details are available upon request. If you have questions or would like

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more information, please contact Pastor Nathanael Mayhew (404-729-4602 or nnmayhew@sleepyeyelutheran.com).

YOUTH CAMP: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, West Columbia, SC is excited to announce that we will be having our summer camp, Christ's Explorers Camp. This camp is open to students entering grades 3-9! This year, we will be holding our camp in Pigeon Forge, TN, from August 12-15. (Transportation will be provided to/from our church campus) Pastor Chad Seybt will lead our worship and Bible studies with the theme, "Fix your eyes on Christ." We have 6 (3 male, 3 female) junior counselor spots available for students entering grade 10 or higher. The applications will be due on Sunday, April 4. The camp will cost \$75, and this will include all lodging, meals, and activities. This camp will be limited to the first 50 campers, so be ready to register when registration opens on May 1! If you have any questions at all, please feel free to contact Sara Kloke (runsforfun@aol.com) or Karen Howell (kdhowell32@gmail.com). Pastor David Pfeiffer

LENTEN SEASON:

This past Wednesday we heard about Judas who betrayed his Savior into the hands of his enemies. This Wednesday Pastor David Ude will be preaching on Peter (Hands of Misguided Zeal). All services are at 7:00 p.m. Our Lenten theme this year is: "Hands of the Passion."

March 3: Hands of Misguided Zeal (Peter)

Pastor David Ude---John 18:4-11

March 10: Hands of Hypocrisy (Caiaphas)

Pastor Bernthal---Mark 14:55-65

March 17: Hands of Brutality (Soldiers)

Pastor Sauers---Matthew 27:27-31

March 24: Hands of Self-Preservation (Pilate)

Pastor David Ude---Matthew 27:15-26

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HOLY WEEK:

We continue our theme "Hands of the Passion" through our Holy Weeks services.

March 28th:

Palm Sunday

Hands of Praise (Disciples and Crowds) Mark 11:1-11

April 1st:

Maundy Thursday

Hands of Humility (Jesus) John 13:1- 5,12-17

April 2nd:

Good Friday

Nail-Pierced Hands (Jesus) Luke 23:32-34

April 4th:

Easter Sunday

Life-Giving Hands (Jesus) John 20:19-23

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. If you are interested in learning more, please call **Pastor Bernthal** at **608-233-2244** or e-mail him at mbern@juno.com



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