

# again in three days" John 2:19, NIV

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# THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

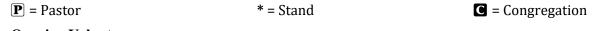
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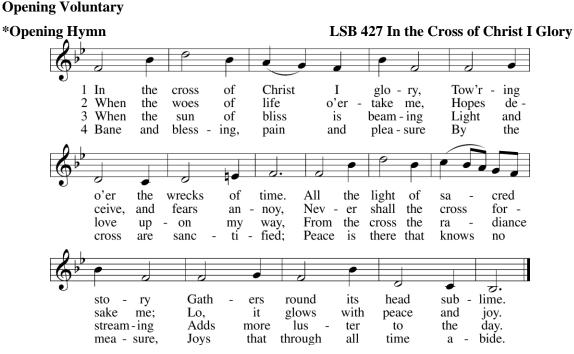
#### THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Divine Service, Setting Three

<u>WELCOME TO PEACE!</u> If you are a guest, please fill out the Visitor side of one of the attendance cards found in the pew rack. Let us know if you would like us to contact you. We are happy to have you worshipping with us today!

CHRIST'S BODY AND BLOOD, for the forgiveness of sins, are truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine in the Sacrament of the Altar. Due to theological differences among Christians regarding beliefs about this Supper, only confirmed members of an LCMS church are invited to the Lord's table. Ask a pastor if you have questions or concerns. Please register your taking of communion on your attendance card.



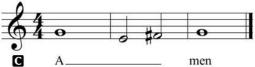


#### \*Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

**P** In the name of the Father and of the 

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.



**Baptism** (10:30) LSB page 268

#### \*Opening Sentences

- **P** God invites us to gather in His name.
- **C** We are gathered to worship and praise.
- P Our heavenly Father's house is a house of prayer for all the nations.
- **C** He gathers people from every corner of the earth to sing His praises.
- **P** We listen to God's Word.
- **C** We hear the message proclaimed of Christ crucified.

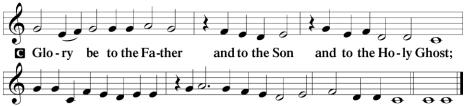
#### \*Confession and Absolution

P Though this is a house of prayer, we do not always honor God's house as we should. Still, our heavenly Father is merciful, and He invites us ever into His house to ask for forgiveness.

Silence for reflection.

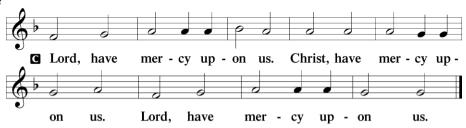
- P Heavenly Father,
- We have sinned against You and against our neighbors. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Disrupt our sinfulness. Forgive us, renew us, and restore us, on account of Jesus. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy sent Jesus into our world, not only to disrupt our sinfulness but also to forgive us by His death and resurrection. As a called and 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.
- Amen. We are forgiven because of Christ crucified.



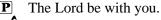


as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

\*Kyrie



#### \*Salutation and Collect of the Day







#### **Old Testament Reading**

Exodus 20:1–17

<sup>1</sup>And God spoke all these words, saying,

<sup>2</sup>"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

<sup>3</sup>"You shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>"You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

8"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. 9Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, 10but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. 11For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

<sup>12</sup>"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup>"You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup>"You shall not commit adultery.

15"You shall not steal.

<sup>16</sup>"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

<sup>17</sup>"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

**Epistle** 1 Corinthians 1:18–31

<sup>18</sup>The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

<sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

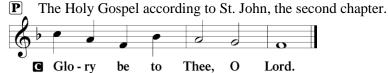
<sup>26</sup>For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup>But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup>God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup>He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. <sup>31</sup>Therefore, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

\*Verse John 2:19

- **P** Destroy this temple,
- And in three days I will raise it up.

\*Holy Gospel John 2:13–25



<sup>13</sup>The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. <sup>15</sup>And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

<sup>18</sup>So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?" <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." <sup>20</sup>The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" <sup>21</sup>But he was speaking about the temple of his body. <sup>22</sup>When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

<sup>23</sup>Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he was doing. <sup>24</sup>But Jesus on his part did not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people <sup>25</sup>and needed no one to bear witness about man, for he himself knew what was in man.

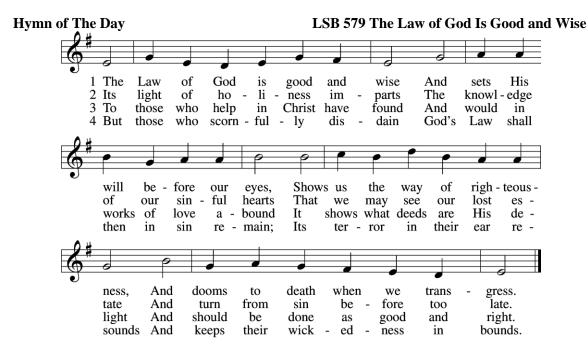


#### \*Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.



- 5 The Law is good; but since the fall Its holiness condemns us all; It dooms us for our sin to die And has no pow'r to justify.
- To Jesus we for refuge flee, Who from the curse has set us free, And humbly worship at His throne, Saved by His grace through faith alone.

Sermon

"A Reason to Boast"

(1 Corinthians 1:18-31)

**Sermon Notes:** 

#### **Gathering of the Offering** Please fill out an attendance card and place in the offering plate

#### Offertory Anthem (8:00)

"God Loved the World So That He Gave"

Ben Culli

God loved the world so that He gave His only Son the lost to save, That all who would in Him believe Should everlasting life receive.

Christ Jesus is the ground of faith, Who was made flesh and suffered death; All then who trust in Him alone Are built on this chief cornerstone.

God would not have the sinner die; His Son with saving grace is nigh; His Spirit in the Word declares How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.

Be of good cheer, for God's own Son Forgives all sins which you have done; And, justified by Jesus' blood, Your Baptism grants the highest good.

If you are sick, if death is near, This truth your troubled heart can cheer: Christ Jesus saves your soul from death; That is the firmest ground of faith.

> All glory to the Father, Son, And Holy Spirit, Three in One! To You, O blessed Trinity, Be praise now and eternally!



<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of the Church

#### \*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.

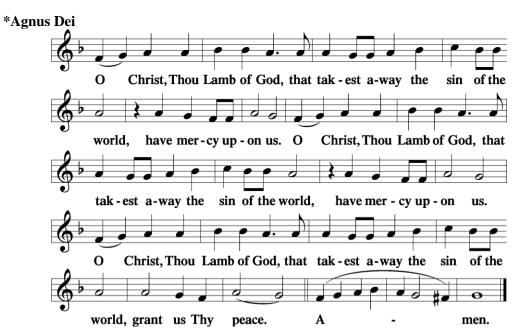
**Confirmation and Receiving of New Members** (10:30)

### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

#### \*The Words of Our Lord







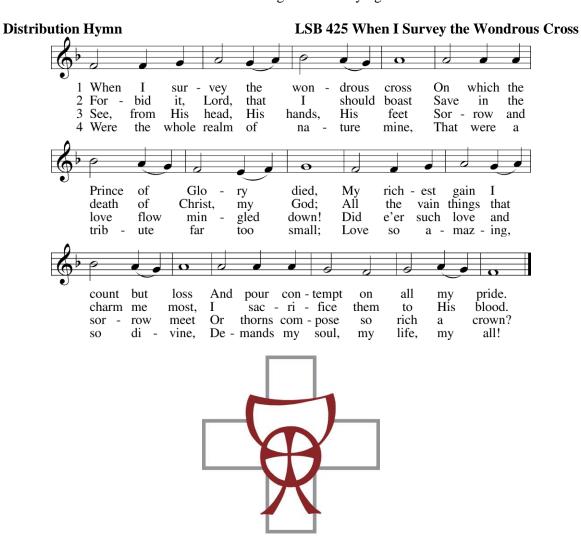


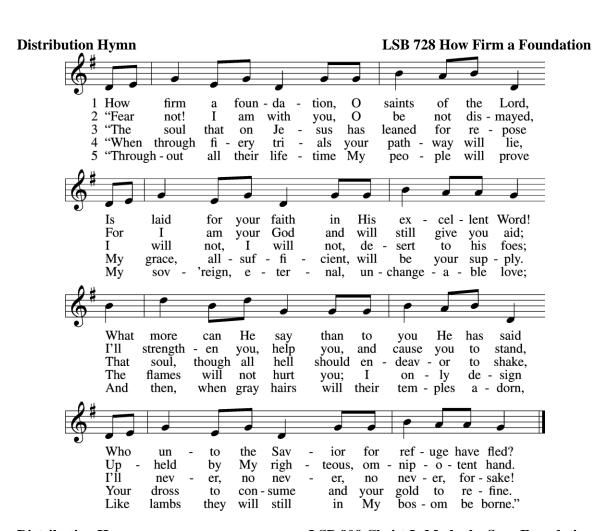
#### LSB 622 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared

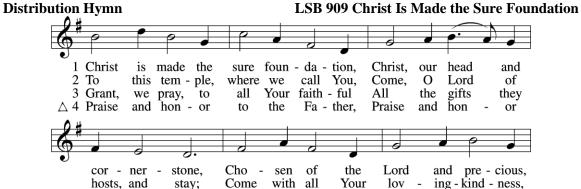


- 5. Though reason cannot understand, Yet faith this truth embraces:
  Your body, Lord, is even now At once in many places.
  I leave to You how this can be; Your Word alone suffices me;
  I trust its truth unfailing.
- 6. Lord, I believe what You have said; Help me when doubts assail me. Remember that I am but dust, And let my faith not fail me. Your supper in this vale of tears Refreshes me and stills my fears And is my priceless treasure.

- 7. Grant that we worthily receive Your supper, Lord, our Savior, And, truly grieving for our sins, May prove by our behavior That we are thankful for Your grace And day by day may run our race, In holiness increasing.
  - 8. For Your consoling supper, Lord, Be praised throughout all ages!
    Preserve it, for in ev'ry place The world against it rages.
    Grant that this sacrament may be A blessèd comfort unto me
    When living and when dying.







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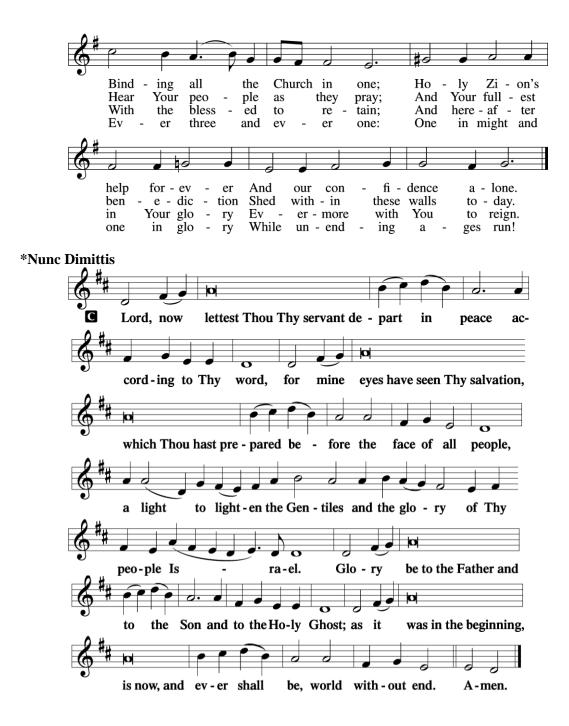
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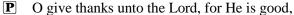
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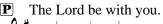
#### \*Thanksgiving





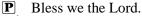
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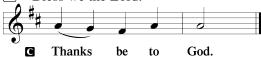






#### \*Benedicamus





#### \*Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.



#### \*Hymn to Depart

#### LSB 707 Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways



1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To keep His stat - utes still!
4 Make me to walk in Thy com-mands—'Tis a de-light-ful road—



Oh, that my God would grant me grace To know and do His will!

Nor let my head or heart or hands Of - fend a-gainst my God.

#### \*Silent Prayer

#### **Closing Voluntary**

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#### SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher: Pastor Robert Brown

Liturgists: Pastor Jon Furgeson and Seminarian Ryan Milbrath

Organist: 5:00 & 8:00: Kendra Ruesler; 9:20 & 10:30: Burnell Hackman

Choir: Chancel Choir

Choir Director: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: W. Schuessler/B. Dressel/B. Hentchel

Elders: 5:00: Jeff Akers, Dave Carlson; 8:00: Art Hoeferlin, Mark Dowell;

9:20: Art Hoeferlin, John Hooss; 10:30: Jonathan Gathman, Kyle Hopfer

Ushers: 5:00: Steve Kienstra, Tim Behnke, Art Conrad, Charles Rolf, Roger Uhlig;

8:00: Dan Prange, Dan Dukesherer, Doug Engle, Kyle Hopfer, Dan Hummert, Mike Wilke

9:20: Jim Maschhoff, Glenn Brinkmann, Greg Hard, David Suedkamp;

10:30: Bryan Dressel, Lorin Dressel, Paul Huddleston, John Rastorfer, Jeff Teague,

Michael Viviano

Acolytes: 5:00: Adelene Beutelmann, Joey Burgess; 8:00: Hannah Jurchen, Lydia Jurchen;

10:30: Blake Van Wyk, Lucie Wildman

Greeters: 8:00: Carol Gibbons; 9:20: Sara Hopfer; 10:30: Scott & Lisa Saberton

Altar Committee: Tammy Goodman and Jeanette Mattingly

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>KFUO AM 850 BROADCAST</u> is sponsored by Merrily Goldsmith and family in loving memory of Bruce Goldsmith.

<u>OUR 8:00 A.M. SERVICE IS LIVE ON KFUO THIS WEEKEND</u> and continuing through April. KFUO is found at 850AM on the radio. Broadcasts can also be heard 24/7 through KFUO.org.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED THIS WEEKEND Adult Confirmation: Janet Burle; Kaleb & Sarah Gregory with children Cecil, James, and Eleanora; Judith Malena with children Dissirama (Angel), Direma (Claudilde), and twins, Baniki (Muriel) and Dilone (Mariel) Koutema; Shelley Stark. <a href="Transfer">Transfer</a>: Ashlen Rainey; Mary Sanders; Ray & Carla Schmidt; Tyler Williams. <a href="Profession of Faith">Profession of Faith</a>: Amy Hughes with son Austin; Cherie Pozzini; Gary & Jean Rabenau. <a href="Adult Baptism">Adult Baptism</a>: Shelley Stark.

<u>CONCERTS AT PEACE</u> This evening, at 6:00 p.m., the Lutheran High School South Wind Symphony and Jazz Band will present their home tour concert. This will complete the band's tour to Michigan, Indiana, and Illinois.

<u>OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2025</u> will be ordered in early March. If you donate online or no longer need envelopes, please email Denise Grant at finance@peacelutheranstl.org by March 8, so your name can be removed from the list.

<u>LENTEN SERVICES THIS WEEK</u> 11:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Prior to the midday service, an organ recital will be held at 11:00 a.m. featuring Elin Hogan-Gomez of Salem, Black Jack. Prior to the evening service, a dinner will be held in the gym at 5:00 p.m., hosted by the Couples Club, serving Breakfast for Dinner.

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS STILL NEEDED</u> for our Sunday School program. Teachers especially needed for Parent & Me, preschool, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Instruction will be provided. If interested, contact Pastor Brown.

<u>THE ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT</u> will be Saturday, March 23, 10:00-11:30 a.m. Infants to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade are invited for an egg hunt, games, crafts, and Holy Week devotions. Please bring your own basket. We hope to see you there!

<u>EASTER EGG CANDY NEEDED</u> for the Easter Egg Hunt. Please drop off <u>wrapped</u> candy to the church office by today, Sunday, March 3. Thank you!

<u>YOUTH – WE NEED YOUR HELP STUFFING EASTER EGGS</u> next Sunday, March 10, 11:30 – 1:00. Lunch will be provided. We will be stuffing 1,500 eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt. Please sign up on the Youth Facebook page. Thank you!

<u>THE EASTER BREAKFAST IS BACK!</u> Sunday, March 31, 7:30 – 10:00 a.m. in the gymnasium. Sponsored by the Men's Club. We would love for you to join us!

<u>THE LIVING EASTER CROSS</u> will again be in the Commons on Easter morning. Everyone is invited to bring fresh flowers to the Holy Saturday and Easter morning services. By the 10:30 service, the cross will be entirely filled as a Springtime reminder of new life in Christ through the resurrection of our Lord and Savior on Easter.

<u>LADIES CLUB COSTUME JEWELRY AND ACCESSORIES SWAP</u> will be Tuesday, March 19, 7:00 p.m. in Sanctuary Hall. Bring three or four items to swap! Snacks and desserts will be served. Ladies Club is open to women aged 18 and over. It's never too late to join!

<u>GENTLY USED BOOKS ARE NEEDED</u> for a Book Sale this fall, hosted by the Ladies Club. This is a fundraiser for our church. Watch for a collection box in the Commons and more details in future bulletins but start looking around your house now for books you can donate!

MARRIED COUPLES CLUB Bunco Night is Saturday, March 16, 6:00 p.m. in the gym. Cost is \$10 per couple. Please bring a snack or a dessert to share. Beverages will be provided. Please plan to attend, even if you don't know how to play....we will learn together! RSVP to Gina Werkmeister.

<u>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!</u> We will take a "Jungle Journey" this summer from June 24 to June 28. Three-year-olds through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, join us for an epic adventure from Genesis to Revelation. We will sail along on a fun jungle cruise, stopping at seven ports of call (the 7 C's of History): Creation, Corruption, Catastrophe, Confusion, Christ, Cross, and Consummation. Children 4<sup>th</sup> grade through 6<sup>th</sup> grade, we have activities scheduled for you too! Register your children and grandchildren today on the Peace website by clicking on the Jungle Journey logo on the home screen.

<u>VOLUNTEERS WILL BE NEEDED FOR VBS</u>, please watch future bulletins and newsletters for details. We have teams for games, music, crafts, registration, preschool, and photography. Some of these teams will need help prior to June, so even if you can't help during the week of June 24 to 28, you can still be part of a team! We would love to have you come along on our *Jungle Journey* this summer!

JOB OPPORTUNITY: EARLY CHILDHOOD is seeking a Preschool Teacher to begin in August for the 2024-2025 school year. Class time is Monday through Friday, 8:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. A job description is on the bulletin board in the Commons. Interested candidates should contact Sue Velten, (314)892-8844.

<u>DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS</u> next weekend. Don't forget to set your clock ahead one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night.

<u>CURTIS BOWERS PRESENTATION – FRIDAY, APRIL 12</u> Award-winning Christian filmmaker and podcaster, Curtis Bowers, will speak on "It's All About the AGENDA" which connects news stories and events to the people and groups who are grinding America down. The presentation will be in Sanctuary Hall at 7:00 p.m.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY IS LWML MITE BOX SUNDAY</u> and the BIG Mite Box will be available to accept your Mites for worldwide missions of the LCMS. Thank you for your very generous donations received last month.

GREEN PARK IS LOOKING FOR A PART-TIME CHILD CARE WORKER Hours would be Monday through Friday (3:00-6:00 p.m.). Qualifications would include a loving and caring personality, patience, and flexibility. Interested candidates should email April Baese, Child Care Director, at april.baese@greenparklutheranschool.org.

CONCERTS AT PEACE PRESENTS "THY WILL BE DONE", on Thursday, March 14, 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The Symphonic Band and Golden Voice of Valley Lutheran High School, Saginaw, Michigan, under the direction of Rebecca Sugden and Paul Eschmann, will present the Lenten worship concert. This concert is a part of the school's 5-day, 5-concert tour through Indiana, Missouri, Illinois, and Michigan.

ST. TRINITY CEMETERY SPRING SPRUCE-UP is Saturday, March 23, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. It's time to make St. Trinity look nice for spring! Lunch and water will be provided. Bring rakes, gloves, blowers, and plastic trash cans. To sign up, please contact Tracey Roesch at jtroesch96@gmail.com.

<u>LUTHERAN YOUNG ADULTS (LYA)</u> is a new group for young adults in the area to get together, meet new friends, and do something fun on a Friday night each month. The March event is Young Adult Volleyball Night. Bring your "A-Game" and a snack to share. It will be held at Holy Cross Lutheran School, 304 South St., Collinsville, Illinois 62234 on Friday, March 15, at 6:30 p.m.

<u>SAVE THE DATE – SHINE EVENT</u> will be Saturday, April 13, 8:00-noon. Watch for more information in the bulletin and April newsletter.

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN IS NO LONGER ACCEPTING EMPTY MEDICINE BOTTLES Thank you to all who contributed in the past. Unfortunately, we have no knowledge of other organizations who might be collecting them. Please kindly recycle at home.

<u>NEW LADIES SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY TOPIC</u> begins on Sunday, April 14. They will be using the combined LifeLight study of Ephesians and 1 & 2 Thessalonians. Books for the class are \$13.50 each. Please contact Janice McCreary if you are interested.

#### CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 3, 2024

Sunday, March 3: 11:30am – Life Ministry Team

6:00pm – LHSS Home Band Concert

Monday, March 4: 3:45pm – Green Park Volleyball

 $6:\!00pm-Cross fire\ Volleyball$ 

7:00pm – Bells of Peace Rehearsal

<u>Tuesday, March 5:</u> 9:00am – Quilters

9:00am - Plastic Mat Making

9:00am – Refit Exercise Class

3:45pm – Green Park Basketball

6:00pm-Co-Ed Volleyball

Wednesday, March 6: 9:30am – Banner Committee

11:00am – Organ Recital

11:30am – Midweek Lenten Worship

11.50am – Wildweek Leinen worsinp

4:00pm – Junior Confirmation

5:00pm – Lenten Dinner

6:30pm – Midweek Lenten Worship

7:15pm – High School Youth

<u>Thursday, March 7:</u> 9:00am – Mary Martha Bible Study

11:15am – Preschool Chapel

 $3{:}45pm-Green\ Park\ Volleyball$ 

6:00pm – Crossfire Volleyball

7:00pm – Boy Scout Troop 584 Meeting

 $7{:}00pm-Chancel\ Choir\ Rehearsal$ 

Sunday, March 10: DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

9:15am – Baptism Class

11:30am – Life Ministry Book Club

11:30am – Youth Egg Filling Party

3:00pm - Youth Baseball Practice

6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play



30<sup>th</sup> Annual presentation of the

# Living Last Supper

Maundy Thursday, March 28 7:00 p.m.

Come for an evening with the disciples as we begin the sacred three-day period recounting Jesus' last days – from the Upper Room to the borrowed tomb. Invite your family and friends for this unique opportunity to learn about our Savior and His disciples.

Tickets are not required.