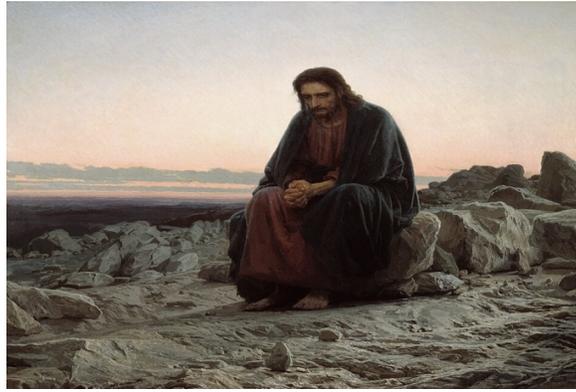


SAVING GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH



The First Sunday in Lent
Saturday, February 21, 2026 @ 3pm
Sunday, February 22, 2026 @ 8:30am, Live-Streamed

INVOCATION

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

Opening Hymn **“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”** **Hymn #543**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, You created us and everything that exists, that You might show Your love toward us.

We took all that You had given us and rejected it, that we could be like God.

Lord Jesus, You came that we might have life and have it abundantly (John 10:10).

Forgive us when we attempt to stand against temptation without You and Your Word.

Holy Spirit, remind us that God is always faithful to His Word.

Teach us to trust Christ with our whole heart, mind, soul, and strength. Teach us to come to You for guidance every day and to delight in Your will.

(Please observe a moment of silence for personal reflection and self-examination)

Almighty God, You never intended us to face temptation without You. You are always faithful, yet we have sinned. You have called us to seek and call upon You, that we might know Your forgiveness. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ and by His authority, I therefore declare to you who do truly repent and believe in Jesus Christ, the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, You are faithful. Bring back those who have sinned, and teach us to humbly come to You and hold fast to Your Word, that we might know Your presence in our lives; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

PASTOR’S WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORD

FIRST READING	Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7	OT p. 2
	<i>(When Reading is concluded, the congregation responds, "Thanks be to God")</i>	
SECOND READING	Romans 5:12-19	NT p. 1029
	<i>(When Reading is concluded, the congregation responds, "Thanks be to God")</i>	
SPECIAL MUSIC (SUN.)	"Jesus Walked in the Wilderness"	Lloyd Larson
	Saving Grace Choir	
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION	"Alleluia"	p. 83
	Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go?	
	You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.	
GOSPEL	Matthew 4:1-11	NT p. 881
	<i>(Before the Gospel is announced, the congregation says "Glory to you, O Lord")</i>	
	<i>(After the Gospel is concluded, the congregation says, "Praise to you, O Christ")</i>	
SERMON	"In our brokenness"	Pastor David Irgens

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn of the Day "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" (vs. 1-4) Hymn #320

RECEPTION OF OFFERING

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin, Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

HOLY COMMUNION (SATURDAY)

LORD'S PRAYER (SUNG)

Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; 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

BLESSING AND PRAYER (SATURDAY)

SENDING

Sending Hymn "Give to Our God Immortal Praise!" Hymn #520

BENEDICTION & DOXOLOGY

DISMISSAL

Go in peace and serve the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 32

¹Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

²Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

³While I kept silence, my body wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

⁴For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of the summer. *Selah*

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not hide my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the guilt of my sin. *Selah*

⁶Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you;
at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters
shall not reach them.

⁷You are a hiding place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with glad cries of deliverance. *Selah*

⁸I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

⁹Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding,
whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle,
else it will not stay near you.

¹⁰**Many are the torments of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD.**

¹¹Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.



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