



*Awake! Why are You sleeping, O Lord? Rouse Yourself! Do not reject us forever!
For our soul is bowed down to the dust. Rise up; come to our help!*

Sexagesima

February 20, 2022

9:30 a.m.

This Morning's Hymns

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P In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the Name of the Lord,

C **who made Heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P O Almighty God, Merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. 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.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

Introit

Psalm 44:1-2, 7-8; antiphon: Psalm 44:23, 25a, 26a



*Awake! Why are You sleeping, | O Lord?**

Rouse Yourself! Do not reject us for- | ever!

For our soul is bowed down | to the dust.*

Rise up; come | to our help!

O God, we have heard with our ears, our fathers have | told us,*

what deeds You performed in their days, in the | days of old:

You with Your own hand drove out the nations, but them You | planted;*
 You afflicted the peoples, but them You | set free.
 But You have saved us | from our foes*
 and have put to shame those who | hate us.
 In God we have boasted con- | tinually,*
 and we will give thanks to Your Name for- | ever.
*Glory be to the Father and | to the Son**
and to the Holy | Spirit;
 as it was in the be- | ginning,*
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
 Awake! Why are You sleeping, | O Lord?*
 Rouse Yourself! Do not reject us for- | ever!
 For our soul is bowed down | to the dust.*
 Rise up; come | to our help!

Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
 on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray. O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

But whatever anyone else dares to boast of—I am speaking as a fool—I also dare to boast of that. ²²Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they offspring of Abraham? So am I. ²³Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one—I am talking like a madman—with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death. ²⁴Five times I received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. ²⁵Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I was adrift at sea; ²⁶on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers; ²⁷in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. ²⁸And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches. ²⁹Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to fall, and I am not indignant?

³⁰If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness. ³¹The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, He who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. ³²At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas was guarding the city of Damascus in order to seize me, ³³but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall and escaped his hands.

^{12:1}I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. ²I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. ³And I know that this man was caught up into Paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— ⁴and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. ⁵On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶Though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. ⁷So to keep me from being too elated by the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. ⁹But He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

L This is the Word of the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Tract

Psalm 60:1–2, 5



O God, You have rejected us, broken our de- | fences;*

You have been angry; oh, re- | store us.

You have made the land to quake; You have torn it | open;*
repair its breaches, for it | totters.

That Your beloved ones may be de- | livered,*

give salvation by Your right hand and | answer us!

Holy Gospel

Luke 8:4–15

P The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke:



G Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

At that time: ⁴When a great crowd was gathering and people from town after town came to Jesus, He said in a parable: ⁵"A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the air devoured it. ⁶And some fell on the rock, and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. ⁷And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up with it and choked it. ⁸And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold." As He said these things, He called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

⁹And when His disciples asked Him what this parable meant, ¹⁰He said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the Kingdom of God, but for others they are in parables, so that 'seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.'" ¹¹Now the parable is this: The seed is the Word of God. ¹²The ones along the path are those who have heard. Then the devil comes and takes away the Word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. ¹³And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the Word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away. ¹⁴And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. ¹⁵As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the Word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Stand

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.

Sit

Hymn of the Day

Preach You the Word

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Sermon

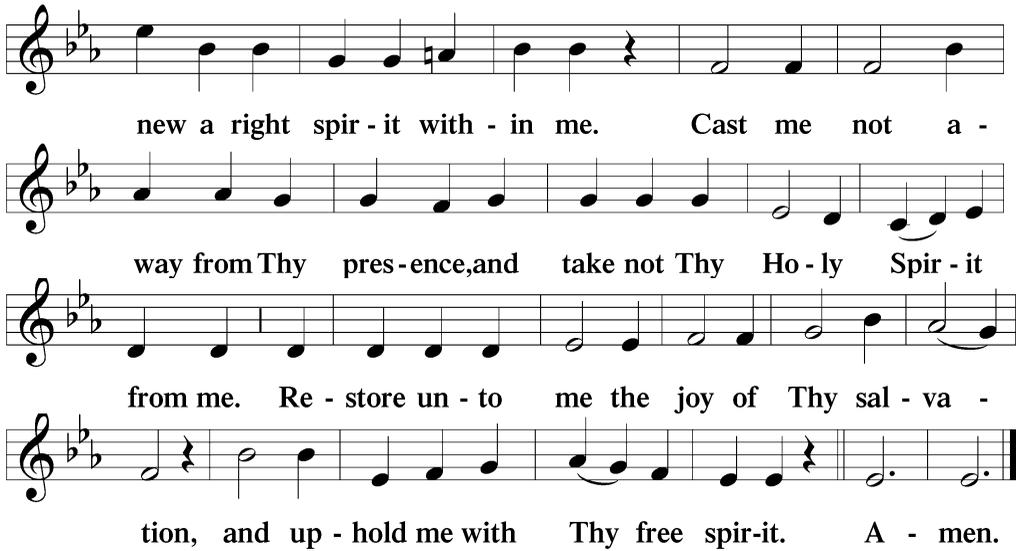
Offering

Stand

Offertory



☐ Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Prayer of the Church

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

Preface

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface

It is truly meet, 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 overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many, that with cleansed hearts, we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of Heaven we laud and magnify Your Glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The 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.

The Words of Our Lord

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."

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."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - men.

Agnus Dei



C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Our Lord Jesus Christ declares that the bread and wine in the Holy Communion are His body and blood, and are given to the faithful to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and the assurance of salvation (Matthew 26:26-29; Luke 22:14-20). St. Paul writes to the church at Corinth: "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself." The Holy

Communion is received worthily by those who are baptized in the Name of the Triune God, repent of all sin, are instructed in the Christian faith, trust our Lord's words "**given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,**" and set aside any and all refusal to love and forgive others as God has loved and forgiven them. In so doing, they proclaim the Lord's death until He comes again.

Because Holy Scripture warns against eating and drinking the body and blood of Christ in an unworthy manner, and because the Holy Communion is a confession of the faith that is confessed at this altar, first-time visitors, those who are not baptized and instructed in the Christian faith, those who are in doubt or hold a confession different from that of St. Paul Lutheran Church and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, are kindly asked to speak with the pastor before communing. If you are not communing at the Lord's Table today, but would still like to receive a blessing from the pastor, please cross your arms against your chest in the form of an "X" upon kneeling at the communion rail.

Sit

Distribution Hymns

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Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
 cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
 peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

P O give thanks unto the LORD, for He is good.

C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

Salutation and Benedicamus

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- P** The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Hymn

O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth

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"To Shine Forth the Light of God's Love into Our World"

BULLETIN NEWS

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, February 20

9:30am	Divine Service	<u>Location</u> Sanctuary
11:30am	Adult Bible Class	Irmer Hall
	Sunday School	Mueller Hall

Wednesday, February 23

7:00pm	Confirmation Class	Library
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Thursday, February 24

6:00pm	Bible Study	Library
7:30pm	The Feast of St. Matthias, Apostle	Sanctuary

Saturday, February 26

10:30 am	Matins	Sanctuary
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BIRTHDAYS

02/22 – Kay Black

02/22 – James Quiñones

02/26 – Patsy Hauptman

ANNIVERSARIES

02/26 – Darrell & Louise Ahrens

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING DONATIONS

The donations to the “Souper Bowl of Caring” last Sunday resulted in \$181.00 being received. Your gifts will assist the West Valley Community Food Pantry in meeting the needs of families seeking food assistance. Thank You.

LWML Mites

“Mites” received last Sunday resulted in \$92.00 being received. These dollars will be forwarded to our LWML District for distribution to mite-projects. Thank you for your continuing support of mission projects supported by mite-giving.

2 CORINTHIANS BIBLE STUDY

The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon will begin a study this week on 2 Corinthians. You can listen on-demand at thewordendures.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

LET US PRAY FOR...

Please keep this list available for your daily devotions. *For prayer requests Church office (623) 846-2228, 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. or email at info@stpaulmlutheran-az.com. Prayer requests are removed after three weeks.*

IMMEDIATE CONCERNS:

Suzanne Berna, suffering from pneumonia and complications following pacemaker surgery

Kevin Stamm, suffering from back pain

ON-GOING CONCERNS:

Jorge Jimenez – fighting cancer

Jody Meredith – health concerns

Gary Armstrong – recovering from surgery

Doc Dalbey – dealing with back pain

Nicholas Jimenez, Linda Rossow, Jim Rucker, Pat Haas, Judith Kuhajda

Jon Brant – health problems

Michael Moreno – complications with COVID

Barbara Sand – recovering from a fall

Vi Redner – recovering from a stroke

FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Loretta Hipple, sister of Dolores Charlesworth, suffers from advance dementia and entered hospice care

John Whildin, nephew of Dolores Charlesworth, suffered a brain bleed and broken nose.

Carol, niece of Mary Howard, has been diagnosed with cancer in her throat.

Amy Hargiss-Adams, niece of Jan Ballard, recently entered hospice care.

THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING:

Family and friends of “**Bert**” **Bertmeyer**, former member, died February 10.

Family and friends of **Harry Emmans**, brother-in-law of Jody Meredith, died February 8.

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY ST. PAUL:

Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram and wife, Joan, serving in Japan.

PSWD Missions

Rev. Steven Massey and son, Marco, serving in Guatemala.

Rev. Stephen Oliver, wife Maggie and children, serving in Taiwan and the Asia Region.

PRAY FOR ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH/THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD:

The Rev. Jeff Proctor, his wife, Joan, and children, Christian, Olivia, Nigel, Fiona & Siwan

Sunday School teachers & children

LCMS officers, congregations & schools

Maryvale Preparatory Academy families & staff

Lexington Life Academy families & staff

OUR NATION: For the President of the United States, the Governor of Arizona, and their advisors; for all who make and administer the laws in our land; for police officers, firefighters, emergency workers, and all who seek to maintain peace and order.

FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY (*members, friends, or relatives*): **Joseph J. Yungkans, Juan Garcia, Tiffany Gilmore, Robert Gilmore, Ethan Peterman, Mike Nguyen, Jacob Wilson, Lucas Butterfass, Nathanael Dyjak, Erich Dyjak**

OUR SHUT-INS: Anne Smith, Arbutus Wood

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