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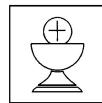
Lutheran Church Missouri Synod Worship Bulletin

#### For 14 February 2021 **QUINQUAGESIMA**

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Our practice of closed communion is the historic practice of the church. It is prompted by love, both for God's Word and for God's people. It does not deny that members of other denominations are Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Rom. 16:17) and the Bible's witness that doctrinal unity is central to the common reception of this sacrament. For this reason, guests who desire to commune are asked to speak with the pastor before the service.





WELCOME! We invite all visitors to sign the guest register in the narthex and worship with us again. If you are not a first time visitor and are not communing, please complete the card located with communion cards in front of the pews. If you have questions about how to join our church or study the Scriptures with us, please speak with one of our Elders or the Pastor.

Each Saturday evening from 6-8PM Pastor Rappe avails himself for private confession and absolution, that which the historical Lutheran Church refers to as the third Sacrament. This is made available to those whose consciences are burdened and whose hearts are troubled. No one is forced to make private confession, as no one is forced to Baptism or the Holy Supper. Rather, this is the means of God's gospel to those who seek Him and the forgiveness of sins in Jesus.



#### **OLD TESTAMENT**

Strengthen the weak hands, And make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are fearful-hearted. "Be strong, do not fear! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, With the recompense of God: He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened. And the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then the lame shall leap like a deer, And the tongue of the dumb sing. For waters shall burst forth in the wilderness, And streams in the desert. The parched ground shall become a pool, And the thirsty land springs of water; In the habitation of jackals, where each lay, There shall be grass with reeds and rushes. A highway shall be there, and a road, And it shall be called the Highway of Holiness. The unclean shall not pass over it, But it shall be for others. Whoever walks the road, although a fool. Shall not go astray. No lion shall be there. Nor shall any ravenous beast go up on it; It shall not be found there. But the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the LORD shall return,

And come to Zion with singing,

**EPISTLE** 

With everlasting joy on their heads.

They shall obtain joy and gladness,

And sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

### **1 CORINTHIANS 13:1-13**

**ISAIAH 35:3-10** 

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing.

Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

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Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away.

When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.

And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.



HOLY GOSPEL LUKE 18:31-43

Then He took the twelve aside and said to them, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of Man will be accomplished. For He will be delivered to the Gentiles and will be mocked and insulted and spit upon. They will scourge Him and kill Him. And the third day He will rise again."

But they understood none of these things; this saying was hidden from them, and they did not know the things which were spoken.

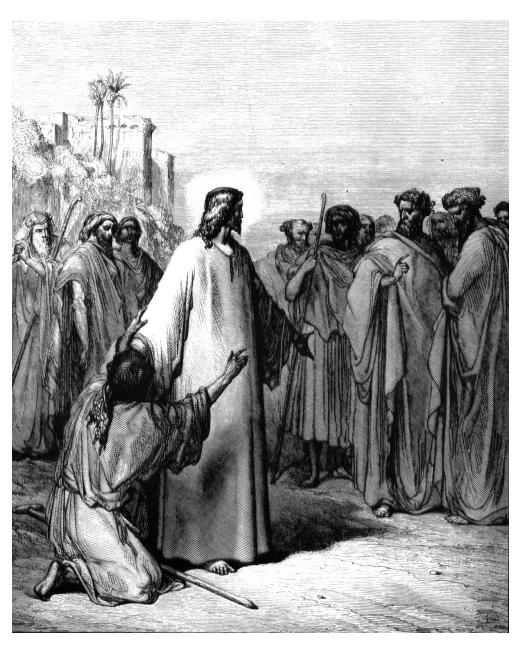
Then it happened, as He was coming near Jericho, that a certain blind man sat by the road begging. And hearing a multitude passing by, he asked what it meant. So they told him that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by. And he cried out, saying, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

Then those who went before warned him that he should be quiet; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

So Jesus stood still and commanded him to be brought to Him And when he had come near, He asked him, saying, "What do you want Me to do for you?"

He said, "Lord, that I may receive my sight."

Then Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight, and followed Him, glorifying God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.



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#### **WEEKLY EVENTS**

Today (14 February) 10:30AM Divine Service 11:45AM Youth Confirmation 11:45AM Church Council Meeting 11:45AM Coffee Hour

(16 February) Tues. 10:00AM Matins & Bible Study

Wed. (17 February)

7:00PM Ash Wednesday Service

Sat. (20 February)

10:00AM Women's Bible Breakfast 6-8PM Office Of The Keys/Confession

Sun. (21 February)

Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:00AM 10:30AM Divine Service 11:45AM Youth Confirmation 11:45AM Coffee Hour

Serving Today

Altar Guild: Terrie & Mike Rehmert **Gavin Williams** Acolyte:

Serving Wednesday

Altar Guild: Terrie & Mike Rehmert

Liam Willard Acolvte:

Torch Bearers: Lauren Boileau & Alex Hitt

Serving Next Sunday

Altar Guild: Lorri & Dave Rettig Acolyte: Liam Willard

While the psalmist urges us to "make a joyful noise to the Lord", he did NOT mean cell phone ringtones, children's noisy toys or other modern electronic marvels. Rather, these should be SILENT while we lift our voices and hearts in worship through song and prayer to our Lord. Please see that all cell phones, toys and anything else that might disrupt our worship are turned off.

#### PLEASE COMPLETE A COMMUNION CARD.

Fill in the names of only those who are communing and hand it to the usher. as you proceed to the altar.

#### FROM THE BOARD OF FINANCE

Attendance February 7......62 General Fund Income......\$6298.00 Altar Guild......\$40.00 Upstairs flooring Fund......\$100.00 General Fund weekly difference from Budget .....\$2012.83 The annual budget adopted by the Voters' assembly requires weekly giving of \$4285.17 to sustain it. Thank you for your Contributions

#### DAILY LECTIONARY

14 Feb. - Psalm 71 & Exodus 39-40 15 Feb. - Psalm 72 & Leviticus 1-3 16 Feb. - Psalm 73 & Leviticus 4-6 17 Feb. - Psalm 74 & Leviticus 7-9 18 Feb. - Psalm 75 & Leviticus 10-12 19 Feb. - Psalm 76 & Leviticus 13-15 20 Feb. - Psalm 77 & Leviticus 16-18



**ALTAR FLOWERS** today are given to the glory of God by Jeff & Heidi Baker Altar Flowers In loving memory of their son Thomas.

#### **Birthdays This Week**

Phyllis Lewis 2/16 Barbara Sexton 217 Carolina Voight 2/18

If we have missed anyone's birthday or anniversary, please let us know.

**NURSERY ROOM** is available for children under 5 years of age who are having difficulty the service. There is also a rocking chair in the room. The room also has speakers in it to hear the service.

Sunday School Is Looking For Additional Teachers.: We would like to have a rotating schedule. Please let Darline Rappe know if you are interested. Thank you for volunteering.

Church Council Meeting Today right after worship service. Open to the congregation.

Altar Flower Chart for 2021 is hanging up in the church hallway next to the church office. Please honor a loved one/remember an important event or celebrate an event by signing up to sponsor flowers. There are still several Sunday's available. The price is \$40.00 for both bouquets per Sunday.

Women's Bible Breakfast next Saturday, February 20th at 10:00AM. All women are invited. Please bring a breakfast dish to share.

**Donations Needed:** We are so excited to be finished with the construction of our final renovation project Thank you to

all who helped make this possible. There are a few more items that need our attention and additional funds. Window blinds have been ordered.

- Upstairs flooring- material and labor.
- Narthex furnishings.
- New efficiency windows for the nursery to be the same as offices.
- Storage racks for elder robes and coats.

office storage cabinets.

The approximate price for the flooring upstairs is \$7,000.00.. This includes materials, labor, baseboards and installation of baseboards and tax and freight.

We also need new flooring for the nursery which will cost \$1200.00.

If you can help with funds- please memo on your check what you would like it to go towards. We greatly appreciate your donation.



Come Join Us For Ash Wednesday Service This Week at 7:00PM.



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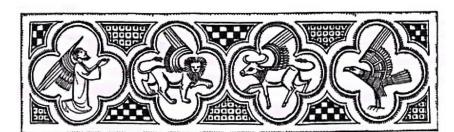
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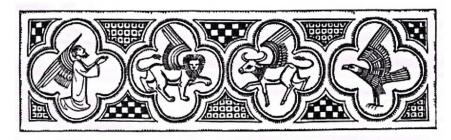
The Four Gospels are the first place we go to learn about the life and work of our Lord Jesus Christ. But why are there four of them, and what themes does each Evangelist use to communicate specific things about the Savior? How reliable are the Gospels? Do they contradict each other? How should we respond to higher criticism? And what should we do with those Gnostic Gospels? These questions and many more will be addressed at this year's Loci meetings. Join us for a deep dive into the Four Gospels as we explore the riches of God's divinely inspired Word to us.

What is Loci? Loci is an almost monthly gathering of LCMS pastors and laity to study theological topics, enjoy fellowship over lunch, and worship together in one of the daily prayer offices [Matins or Vespers]. The presentation time runs from II:00 AM to 2:00 PM, with an hour break at noon for lunch (BYO) and fellowship. If you are interested in meeting like-minded Lutherans and taking your study of theology to the next level, come join us!

Loci is held at All Saints Lutheran Church 17030 Lancaster Highway Charlotte, NC 28277

To be added to the Loci mailing list for announcements and reminders, please send an email to allsaintscharlotte@outlook.com.

## Loci 2021: The Four Gospels



### 2021 Schedule

January 30: An Introduction to the Four Gospels February 27: The Historical Reliability of the Gospels

March 20: Higher Criticism and the Gospels— A Lutheran Response

April 24: Overview of Matthew

May 22: Overview of Mark

June 26: Overview of Luke

July 31: Overview of John

August 28: Are There Contradictions in the Gospels?

December 4: What Are the Gnostic Gospels?

Save the dates for Sunago, our annual retreat, October 22–24, 2021.

More details forthcoming.

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