

# Immanuel Lutheran Church of Plainview, MN

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Second Sunday in Lent

Video Service of the Word

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*Note to our video viewers: As worship has returned to the church, the service recording will be of the in-person service. Holy Communion will be served as the final item and may or may not be on the video posted to cable channels or YouTube.*

## 611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be

*sts. 1–3*

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| 1 Chief of sinners though I be,<br>Jesus shed His blood for me,<br>Died that I might live on high,<br>Lives that I might never die.<br>As the branch is to the vine,<br>I am His, and He is mine. | 2 Oh, the height of Jesus' love,<br>Higher than the heav'ns above,<br>Deeper than the depths of sea,  | Lasting as eternity!<br>Love that found me—wondrous thought!<br>Found me when I sought Him not. |
|   | 3 Only Jesus can impart<br>Balm to heal the wounded heart,<br>Peace that flows from sin forgiv'n,<br>Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,<br>Faith and hope to walk with God<br>In the way that Enoch trod. |   |

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## Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## Exhortation

*LSB 151*

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

## Confession of Sins

*LSB 151*

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

## Absolution

*LSB 151*

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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.  
**C** Amen.

## Introit

*Psalms 115:11–13, 18; antiphon: Psalm 25:6*

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,  
for they have been from of old.  
You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD!  
He is their help and their shield.  
The LORD has remembered us; he will bless us;  
he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron;

he will bless those who fear the LORD,  
both the small and the great.  
We will bless the LORD  
from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD!  
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**  
Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,  
for they have been from of old.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### Old Testament Reading

*Genesis 17:1–7, 15–16*

<sup>1</sup>When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, <sup>2</sup>that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly.” <sup>3</sup>Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, <sup>4</sup>“Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. <sup>5</sup>No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. <sup>6</sup>I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. <sup>7</sup>And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. . . .

<sup>15</sup>And God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. <sup>16</sup>I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Epistle

*Romans 5:1–11*

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup>Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. <sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— <sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup>Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup>For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup>More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Holy Gospel

Mark 8:27–38

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eighth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>27</sup>And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” <sup>28</sup>And they told him, “John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.” <sup>29</sup>And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.” <sup>30</sup>And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

<sup>31</sup>And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

<sup>34</sup>And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? <sup>37</sup>For what can a man give in return for his life? <sup>38</sup>For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

**C** 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.**

### **437 Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed**

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| 1 Alas! And did my Savior bleed,<br>And did my sov'reign die?<br>Would He devote that sacred head<br>For such a worm as I?  | When God, the mighty maker, died<br>For His own creatures' sin.   |
| 2 Was it for crimes that I had done<br>He groaned upon the tree?<br>Amazing pity, grace unknown,<br>And love beyond degree! | 4 Thus might I hide my blushing face<br>While His dear cross appears,<br>Dissolve my heart in thankfulness,<br>And melt mine eyes to tears. |
| 3 Well might the sun in darkness hide<br>And shut his glories in  | 5 But drops of grief can ne'er repay<br>The debt of love I owe;<br>Here, Lord, I give myself away:<br>'Tis all that I can do.               |

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### **Sermon**

“God’s Equality Act”

*Romans 5:1–11*

### **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.**

#### **Benediction**

*LSB 166*

- ☐** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- ☩ Amen.**

### **563 Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness**

*sts. 1, 3–4*

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| 1 Jesus, Thy blood and righteousness<br>My beauty are, my glorious dress;<br>Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed,<br>With joy shall I lift up my head. | Pleads for the captives' liberty,<br>Was also shed in love for me.   |
| 3 Lord, I believe Thy precious blood,<br>Which at the mercy seat of God   | 4 Lord, I believe, were sinners more<br>Than sands upon the ocean shore,<br>Thou hast for all a ransom paid,<br>For all a full atonement made. |

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