

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Sunday, February 18, 2024 – 10:45am



As We Gather – “Remember Whose You Are”

From the time that Adam and Eve first fell into sin, God's people have been in conflict - with Him and with one another. Throughout the Bible, God tells us how He reconciled us to Himself through the atoning work of Jesus Christ, His only Son. He further instructs us how to respond to our conflicts with others. We hope and pray that this sermon series and Bible Study "Go and Be Reconciled - What Does This Mean?" will be helpful to you on your faith journey.

PRESERVICE SONG, “Love Changes Everything”

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SHARING OF THE PEACE

OPENING SONG, “Man of Sorrows”

INVOCATION

P You became a child of God when you were baptized in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

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.

SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, You endured the temptations of Satan in the wilderness. Be present with us on our Lenten journey toward the cross and empty tomb, always mindful of our identity as those baptized in Your name, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING, Isaiah 53:1-6

Who has believed what they heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? ²For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him. ³He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. ⁴Surely he has

borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. ⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed. ⁶All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING, 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL, John 1:10-13

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁰He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. ¹²But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MYSTERY BOX MESSAGE

Pastor Dan Bodin

SERMON SONG, "Run to the Father"

SERMON, "Remember Whose You Are!"

Pastor Dan Bodin

NICENE CREED *(See the screen or the inside back cover of the hymnal)*

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

This is a time that we, as a church family return a portion of the financial blessings God has given us. If you are our guests today, please do not feel obligated to participate. We have many ways to give your tithe or offering. You may place your offering in the plate when it is passed, mail it to the church, text to give by texting 84321 with any dollar amount (be sure to select “South Shore”), give online at sstwbl.org/give, or use the Church Center App from your smartphone (available for both Android and iOS). Disciples of Jesus at SST, please fill out an ivory SST Registration card and place in the offering plate.

Guests: If you would like more information regarding South Shore Trinity, please fill out a blue Guest Registration card before and place it in the offering plate or hand to an usher before leaving.

QULT DEDICATION

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

LORD’S PRAYER *(See the screen or the inside back cover of the hymnal)*

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

DISTRIBUTION SONG, “Jesus We Love You”

GROWING IN THE WORD

C First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. – Matthew 5:24

BENEDICTION

P 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.

C Amen.

SENDING SONG, “Restore to Me”

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TRINITY TIDINGS

February 18, 2024

The Flowers at the Altar today are given to the glory of God by Roy and Virginia Vinkemeier in memory of their parents (Hartmod and Caroline Vinkemeier, Carsten and Edith Godbersen) and in gratitude for their bringing them up in the Christian faith in the grace and love of God.

Easter Garden of Victory – order forms are available on the counter by the office.

The Planning Board meets Monday night at 7:00pm.

The 2024 Flower Chart is posted on the bulletin board in the commons (across from confirmation pictures).

New in the Book Nook: A work of fiction by Julie Klassen, “A Winter by the Sea”

AARP TAX ASSISTANCE IS BACK! SST is hosting them again this year. Call 651-653-3122 for more information or to make an appointment.

Medical Supply Ministry -- Just a reminder about the SST Medical Supply Ministry. Please share with others that we have medical equipment available. We have a supply of adult incontinence products too. Please check in at the church office for assistance with locating items. For more information on medical equipment and supplies available, please contact Kathy Meyer at 651-269-1955.

A **special offering** for Vance and Robin England to REPLACE items that were destroyed by a fire on June 25th, 2022. You may write a check or give cash to SST by enclosing it in your “Special Offering” envelope in your box of envelopes (or the green envelopes available in the pew or from the ushers) and write “Crisis Offering” on the front of the envelope and/or on the memo of your check. This offering will be received through February.

Community Outreach To those who are New to the Area



Help spread the Good News about our church, preschool and community

- One weekend a month SST delivers to 40-60 "new to WBL" households
- One person delivers to 4-10 homes depending on grouping of house sales

Can you be that one person, One weekend a Month??

*Growing as Stewards through
Faith, Love, and Hope!*

Contact George @ 651.464.1022

SERVING THIS WEEK

Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Bob Gehrke

Associate Pastor, Rev. Dan Bodin

Acolytes: 8:00 Lilah Gipple | 10:45 Eliana Sinkula

Anna Altar: Muriel Janneke and Ann Janneke

Coffee: Jerry and Emmy Boleen

Counters: Annette Chamberlin and Muriel Janneke

Greeters: Youth and Youth Board

Readers: 8:00 Mary Jane Ross | 10:45 Ed Gerlach

Organist/Pianist: 5:30 & 8:00 Sharon Calhoun

Live Stream Tech: 8:00 & 10:45 Chris Hesselbach

AV Tech: 5:30 Ken Kirchhoff | 8:00 Jordan Melde | 10:45 Will Vette

Ushers: 5:30 Bob Dybdal | 8:00 Ross Hoernemann & Darrell Hardy |
10:45 Ed Gerlach

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

(Please include the follow people in your prayers)

Those celebrating a birthday: 2/18 – Jan Wille, 2/19 – Austin Lundgren,
2/21 – Jolene Patricelli, 2/22 – Ken Bowman, 2/23 – Gayle Kusch, John
Majetich

Those celebrating their baptismal anniversaries: 2/21 – Lucian Bodin,
Nancy Manos, 2/22 – Natalie Ackerman, Saige Mann, 2/23 – Amanda
Johnson

Those celebrating a wedding anniversary: 2/18 – Dick & Marlene Carlson,
2/19 Brett and Elizabeth Richter

THIS WEEK^{3rd} GLANCE



Monday, February 19

8:00-12pm	AARP Senior Tax Aid (2 nd floor)
11:00-1:30pm	Lively Ladies [F8]
6:30-8:00pm	Scouts
6:30pm	Planning Board

Tuesday, February 20

8:00-12pm	AARP Senior Tax Aid (2 nd floor)
1:15pm	Staff Meeting
11:00am	Finance Committee [F8 and Zoom]
6:00pm	Board of Education
6:30-8:30pm	Women's AA (upstairs)

Wednesday, February 21

9:30am	Young-at-Heart Bible Study [F8]
9:30am	Women's Bible Study [B9A]
11:00am	LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE
11:30am	Lenten Luncheon (Benefitting MOPs)
11:30am	Piano Duets
5:45pm	Fellowship Meal
6:30pm	LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE
7:00-8:00pm	Forge (6-12 th) Confirmation
7:00pm	Chancel Choir

Thursday, February 22

8:00-12pm	AARP Senior Tax Aid (2 nd floor)
9:30-11:30am	Women's Bible Study [F8]
9:30-11:30am	[B9] In Use
6:00pm	Vesper Bells [S]
7:00pm	Adult Bible Study [F8]

Friday, February 23

6:00-7:00pm	Girl Scouts [2-6]
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Saturday, February 24

9:00-3:00pm	Finke Workshop at Circle Pines (see insert)
9:00-3:00pm	Craft Day [B22, K]
10:00-12:00	Grief Share [F8]
11:00-Noon	Al-Anon [2-5]
5:30pm	Worship with Communion



- Please use this Prayer Guide in the coming week to pray for the following people and situations. Those who are listed in italics are not disciples at SST.

For those recovering from surgery: Jennifer Jewell, Tim Lundgren, Merlin Holman, *April* (Margaret Fett's daughter), *Jo Biebighauser*

For those facing surgery: Arlene Gabrielson (2/21)

For those in hospice: Rick Carlson

For those who mourn:

- For the family and friends of Gladys McClelland who passed away on February 2. Memorial service will be Saturday, March 9.
- For the family and friends of *Wayne Leverkusn* (Lynn Gehrke's father) who passed away on Saturday, February 10.
- For the family and friends of Harlan Arndt who passed away on February 11. Arrangements are pending.

God's healing: Debbie Dahl, Eileen Spreeman, Danna Anderson, Herb Frederick, Margaret Ribble, Elizabeth Iverson, Marian Meier, Tim Lundgren, Lin Carlson, Elaine Frahm, Betty Frohrib, *Noah Boleen*, Celeste Gifford, Jolene Patricelli, *Connie Barbeau*, Mary Torno, *Carla Anderson*, Ruby Moskop

Those with on-going health issues: *Verna Benson*, Mary Kuruvilla, Jim and Meredith Reinholdt (both have Covid)

God's comfort, peace and healing for those with cancer: Jack Frahm, Jill Larson, Patti Molkenbur, Bill Niebergall, Pastor Norb Streufert, Rick and Lin Carlson, *SST's Letter Carrier*, *Bruce Semling*

Protection of our Armed Forces and their families: *Peter Gifford*, Megan Lisowy, *Aaron Meissen*, *Brodey Perron*, *Scott Polack*, *Andrew Reed*, *Jim Schumann*, *Dalton Wenzel*, *Dylan Wenzel*, *Brandon Boleen*, *Teddy Boleen*, *Wyatt Kassa*

For SST Missions and missionaries: *Rev. Dr. Fung and Kalia* missionary family to SE Asia in Thailand | *Pastor Stephen Heimer and Vicar Alex Escarciga* at *Ysleta Lutheran Mission in El Paso, Texas* | SST Preschool, reaching our community | MOPS (Mothers of Pre-Schoolers)

Federal, State and local government and all those in positions of authority