



Psalm 27

(See Hymnal)

A reading from Philipians.

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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The gospel according to Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord.

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus,] "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.'"

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.' "

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT



*How often have I desired to
gather your children
together as a hen gathers
her brood under her wings.*

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Sunday
March 17, 2019
8:00 + 9:30 am

GATHERED TO WORSHIP

GATHERING

Confession and Forgiveness

Gathering Song **No. 805**

"Lead On, O King Eternal!"

Apostolic Greeting

Kyrie *Insert, p. 1*

Prayer of the Day

Children's Sermon—9:30

Chancel Choir

"God Loved the World So That He Gave"

WORD

Psalm 27

Philippians 3:17—4:1

Gospel Acclamation *Insert, p. 2*

Luke 13:31-35

Sermon

Hymn **No. 623**

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

Apostle's Creed

(Inside back of hymnal)

Prayers of Intercession

Peace

MEAL

Offering

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving *Insert, p. 2*

Eucharistic Prayer *Insert, p. 3*

Holy, Holy, Holy *Insert, p. 3*

Lord's Prayer *p. 145*

Lamb of God *Insert, p. 4*

Communion Distribution

Distribution Hymns **No. 468**

"Around You, O Lord Jesus"

No. 773

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Post-Communion Prayer

SENDING

Blessing

Sending Hymn **No. 803**

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Dismissal

SENT TO SERVE

WELCOME

Visiting Today

If you are visiting today, thank you. If you wish, please fill out a "Visitor Card" located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

Holy Communion

All are welcome. Distribution is by intinction, taking a piece of bread, dip it in the wine, and receive both elements at once. There is a gluten-free/grape juice option available near the baptismal font.

Offerings are part of worship and an important part of sharing in the life of Saint Andrew. Scripture teaches us to be "first fruits" givers and to do so with glad and generous hearts. Thank you for all who contribute and thereby share in the work of Christ's church.

Noisy Offering

A noisy offering will be received today in support of the SALC Quilting Group and in honor of National Quilt Day on March 16.

Altar Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by Phil and Helen Bickley in honor of Pastor John, the founder of Saint Andrew.

Fair Trade Products

Fair Trade products will be available for purchase today in the Fellowship Hall. Your purchase helps small landholder farmers in developing countries bring hope and help to their families.

Blood Pressure Screening

Screenings are available in the library area of the Fellowship Hall today.

Hygiene Drive

Help support area homeless residents through local agencies by donating items such as laundry soap, hair, dental and

other personal care and cleaning products. A display and rack is available in the Fellowship Hall **through mid-March** to place donated items. Thank you for your support!

ELCA World Hunger's 40 Days of Giving Social Ministry will donate 10% of Lenten Soup donations to support the ELCA World Hunger's 40 Days of Giving. In addition, they will also match up to \$600 of what the congregation gives to the ELCA World Hunger throughout Lent. Look for more details at the Information Desk soon.

Lenten Book Study

Journey through Lent with a six week study of the book *"Because of This I Rejoice"* which looks at Paul's letter to the Philippians for ways to find joy during Lent. There are three weekly opportunities for discussion in a casual small group setting, but feel free to coordinate your own small group! The study will be held: **Sundays**, 10:45-11:45 am at SALC; **Wednesdays**, 7:15-8:15 pm at SALC; **Thursdays**, 7:00-8:00 pm at Bull Falls Brewery.

Confirmation Camp

A week of camp is an important part of the confirmation. Seventh grade confirmation student families can now register for confirmation camp at www.crosswayscamps.org/register using the code STANDREW2019. We will spend the week of June 9-14, 2019 at Waypost Camp in Hatley on Mission Lake.

Easter Altar Flowers

Daffodils, Tulips, Hyacinths and Easter Lilies can be ordered for \$16 each to adorn the altar for Easter worship services. Order forms are available on the **Information Desk in the Narthex. Order deadline is Sunday, March 31.**

THIS WEEK AT SALC

Sunday, March 17

8 & 9:30 am **WORSHIP**
9:40 am Sunday School Classes
10:45 am **WORSHIP**
10:45 am Lenten Book Study
4:00 pm First Communion Class

Monday, March 18

7:00 pm AA, Alanon & Alateen
7:00 pm Dartball at Good Shepherd

Tuesday, March 19

9:00 am Reading Reflections
10:00am Quilting for LWR

Wednesday, March 20

6:45 am Son Riser's Bible Study
9:30 am Women's Lectionary Study
10:00 am Men's Bible Study
11:00 am Women's Gather Study
12:15 pm **LENTEN WORSHIP W/ SOUP & SANDWICH**
5:15 pm Handbell Choir
6:15 pm **LENTEN WORSHIP W/ SOUP & SANDWICH**
7:00 pm Chancel Choir
7:15 pm Lenten Book Study

Thursday, March 21

12:15 & 6:15 pm **WORSHIP**
7:00 pm Lenten Book Study
7:00 pm Council Meeting

LENTEN THEME

Life In the Wilderness

MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP

Wednesdays through April 10

12:15 pm & 6:15 pm

Soup & Sandwich Fellowship

Wednesdays

After 12:15 pm worship and
before & after 6:15 pm worship

Soup Menu - March 13

Chicken & Wild Rice - Cheeseburger
Corned Beef & Cabbage

Soup pre-order forms for soup-to-go are available on the Information Desk.

WORSHIP WORD

This week's gospel text from Luke presents another temptation for Jesus. The Pharisees approach Jesus with a warning about his safety, telling him to "get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you" (Luke 13:31). Not only do the Pharisees want Jesus to leave, but one can assume they also want Jesus to stop doing what he was doing: speaking against the Pharisees, teaching about God, and healing on the sabbath. We know the Pharisees are "very hostile" (Luke 11:53) toward Jesus, so we can conclude that their warning is not a genuine expression of concern but rather an attempt to stop his mission and ministry.

However, Jesus will not be distracted or turned away from his purpose, even if that includes moving toward his own death in Jerusalem. In Jesus' ability to fulfill his purpose, even in the midst of opposition, we find inspiration as we seek to live our lives in concert with God's purposes. As Christians, Jesus' purpose is our purpose. The church, the body of Christ, doesn't exist for itself. Rather, the church exists to be a partner with God in God's mission to love, bless, and reconcile the world.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Pastors	Gary Brandenburg Jenn Collins
Pianist	Joel Freiberg
Ushers	Johnson Team
Lectors	Faith Martinson Mark Clark
Greeters	Tom & Karen Weidman George & Bonnie Alafouzios
Altar Guild	Sandra Fischer, Darlene Cailliouette & Sheila McCarthy

LAMB OF GOD



2. Lamb of God, you break the chains of ha - tred and fear;

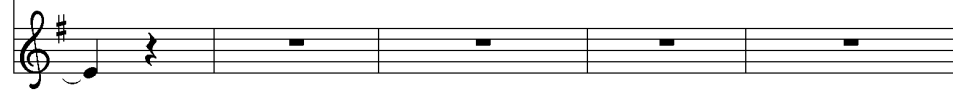
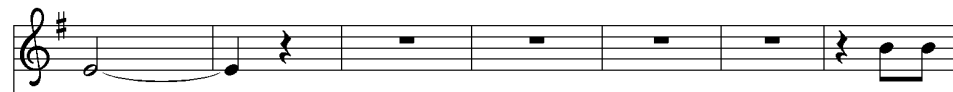
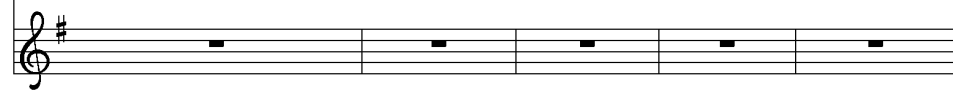
3. Lamb of God, you are the way of jus - tice and peace:

4. Lamb of God, you are the way of mer - cy and love:



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word, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have

Help, save, and de-fend us, O God.

mer - cy. A - men.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Return to God with all your heart,
 the Source of grace and mercy;
 Come, seek the tender faithfulness of God. *(Repeat)*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider: The Lord be with you. *Congregation:* And al-so with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts. *Congregation:* We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *Congregation:* It is

right to give God thanks and praise.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Presider: It is our duty and delight...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and

might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

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MARCH 17, 2019
SECOND SUNDAY
IN LENT



Stand firm in the Lord.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Luke 13:31-35	Jesus' sorrow over Jerusalem
Monday	Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18	God's covenant with Abram
Tuesday	Philippians 3:17-4:1	Stand firm in the Lord
Wednesday	Matthew 23:37-39	Lament over Jerusalem
Thursday	Joshua 1:1-9	Be strong and courageous
Friday	1 Thessalonians 5:12-22	Paul's exhortations
Saturday	Psalms 27	A song of trust
Sunday	Luke 13:1-9	Parable of the fig tree

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Philippians 4:1 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Almighty and everlasting God, bless us with faith and confidence to trust your word and serve in your kingdom of healing and mercy. Through Christ our Lord, amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, may this food help us to see your goodness in the land of the living. Amen. (Psalm 27:14)

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord give you strength and good courage as you wait for the Lord. (Psalm 27:13)



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MARCH 17, 2019
HYMN OF THE WEEK
Wait for the Lord



CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Tell or think about a time you have lacked confidence in yourself.
- We all doubt ourselves, our abilities, and our decisions at times. What helps you to be confident of who you are and what you are doing?
- In Genesis 15:9-18, God provided a promise and a covenant act that committed God to Abram and his descendants. What promise has God made to you? How does God keep the promise alive for you?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Luke 13:31-35.

In a surprising twist, Pharisees warn Jesus of Herod's threats on his life. In a very candid moment, Jesus brushes aside the threat of an earthly empire. Jesus' work is utterly too serious to be concerned with "that fox," King Herod. Jesus characterizes his work as a hen caring for her brood of chicks while they resist her protection. The focus of his concern is the deeper needs of people for "the one who comes in the name of the Lord" (Luke 13:35), not the powers of an empire. As the Apostle Paul wrote, "... our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ" (Philippians 3:20). The threat of earthly powers is not as important as Jesus' (and our) mission to bring hope and protection to those who remain in darkness. Our texts this week challenge us to trust and believe this (Genesis 15:6; Psalm 27; and Philippians 3:20-4:1). The Bible is filled with encouragement to trust God precisely because we can so easily turn away from God. How do you stand firm in God's promise and love?

Pray: **Almighty God, help us to trust you alone and not to give in to the threats of those who would claim power over us. In the name of Jesus Christ, the one who came to protect us, amen.**

SERVICE

We can be scared by those who threaten our sense of safety in daily life. Our own fears can make the threats even worse. Be a servant of peace and hope for those you meet this week by taking time for a caring conversation, listening to concerns, and praying with them. Offer a spirit of calm and trust expressed in Psalm 27:1: "The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life of whom shall I be afraid?"

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Lent is a season of waiting. Psalm 27:14 states: "Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!" The Hebrew word for "wait" also means "hope." Plant amaryllis or paperwhite narcissus bulbs in a shallow pot filled with soil. Add water and keep them in a place with indirect sunlight for about two weeks. Then place them in a warm spot.

These plants will begin to bloom in about four weeks. As you wait and hope for the plants to bloom, think about Psalm 27:14 daily in observance of Lent.



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org