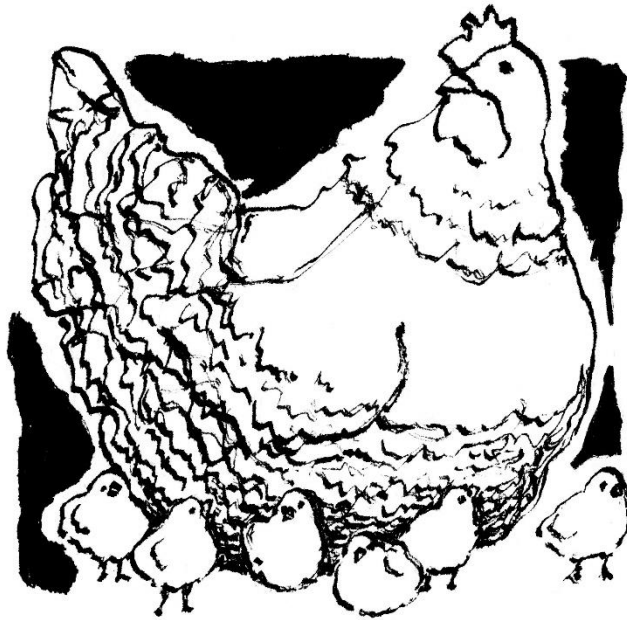


Welcome to St. Thomas Lutheran Church



*As a hen
protects
her brood*

L U K E 1 3 : 3 4

**2nd Sunday of Lent
10:00 a.m.
March 13, 2022**

**Rev. Dr. Christian F. Just, Pastor
St. Thomas Lutheran Church
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CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Thank you** everyone for joining us this morning for our worship service. Please join us inside or you can listen to the service on your car radio at 96.9. If you miss the service you can always watch it on our Facebook page. If any problems happen during the service please let Del or Rory know so they can fix the problem immediately. Thank you again!
- **The Vigil Candle** is given in celebration of Trudy Nicely and Tim Nicely's birthdays.
- **The Prayer book** is on the music stand by the door.
- **The Lay Reader** list is available for volunteers for the month of March. Please see the sign up sheet in the Narthex. **Our lay reader today is Robin Hoffman.**
- **Usher—Steve Manijak**
- **Soup Suppers are being held** Thursday evenings with soup being served at 6:30 and worship at 7:30 p.m. If you didn't make it last Thursday you missed some awesome soup and salad. Join us for some corned beef and cabbage soup as we celebrate St. Patrick's Day. We will be meeting every Thursday in Lent. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex to volunteer to bring soup, bread, salad or other items you may think for our supper.
- **The Women's group** will be meeting Saturday at 10:00 a.m. We are studying the book of Joshua. All ladies are invited. Hope to see you there!
- **The April-June Portal of Prayers** are available now.
- **Let's continue** to remember the Community pantry. Bring food or monetary donations anytime.
- **Service Projects...**the Lutheran World Relief is always in need for natural disasters relief. Please make check out to the church and place it in the offering plate.
- **The Church Council and Call Committee** have been meeting with Christ Lutheran Church in Mantua to work on a plan to share a pastor. We are in the process of meeting with candidates in the next coming months. We have been given a list of names to view and to decide if you would like to interview. If you would like to know more, please talk to Gilbert Ayers, Guy Jeanblanc, Diane Pencin or Robin Hoffman.
- **Contact Person:** Please call Pastor Just at 216-789-6688 or Council President Steve Hlava at 330 422-1959 for any emergencies or questions. Pastor Just is in the office on Thursdays.

Attendance for Ash Wednesday 5 Adults 2 Children

Attendance last Sunday 16 Adults 2 Child

Bible Study 5 Adults 2 Child

Towards Budget:

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| Current Expense | 1269.00 | Building Fund | 15.00 |
| Benevolence | 13.00 | Mission | 5.00 |
| Community Pantry | 20.00 | Lutheran Relief | 50.00 |
| 1 + 1 + 1 | 12.00 | | |
| Total Offering | | | 1374.00 |

Welcome and Announcements

*Gathering Rite: A responsive *singing* KYRIE

Refrain

All Sing: Remember your love and your faithfulness, O

Lord. Remember your people and have mercy on us, Lord.

Cantor: The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom should I fear? The Lord is my life and my refuge, when I call God hears...(to refrain)

Cantor: If you dwelt, O Lord, upon our sinfulness, then who could stand? But with you there is mercy and forgiveness and a guiding hand...(to refrain)

Cantor: O Lord, hear the sound of my call and answer me. My heart cries out for your presence; it is you I seek...(to refrain)

(spoken)

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

(sung)

Cantor: Lord Jesus, obedient in the desert: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord have mercy.

Cantor: Christ Jesus, the promise of salvation: Christ have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Cantor: Lord Jesus, the flood of living water: Lord have mercy.

All: Lord have mercy.

(spoken)

Pastor: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

(sung)

All: Remember your love and your faithfulness, O Lord. Remember your people and have mercy on us, Lord.

P: Let us pray. Heavenly Father, your mercy is strong and tender,

C: "How often have I desired to gather your children together..."

P: Your forgiveness is certain and complete,

C: "...as a hen gathers her brood under her wings..."

P: Gather back to yourself all who have wandered off, all who have erred,

C: "...as a hen gathers her brood under her wings..."

P: even as you have gathered us into the warmth of your protective presence.

C: Guide us, too, into this calling-back mission,

P: that all people, everywhere, might one day proclaim:

C: "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord."

P: Through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now...

C: and forever. Amen.

All lessons are taken from the NRSV

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 26:8-15

⁸And when Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, “You shall die! ⁹Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, ‘This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant?’” And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

¹⁰When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king’s house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD. ¹¹Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, “This man deserves the sentence of death because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears.”

¹²Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, “It is the LORD who sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. ¹³Now therefore amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the LORD your God, and the LORD will change his mind about the disaster that he has pronounced against you. ¹⁴But as for me, here I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. ¹⁵Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will be bringing innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the LORD sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears.” This is the word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

The Psalm Hymn: “Answer Me, O Righteous God” Psalm 4 Insert

The Second Lesson: Romans 5:1-11

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ¹¹But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation. This is the Word of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Verse: pg. 63

Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and abounding in steadfast love.

*The Gospel Lesson: Luke 13:31-35

C: Glory to you, O Lord. Pg. 63

³¹ At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” ³² 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. ³³ 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.’ ³⁴ 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! ³⁵ 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.’*” This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ. Pg. 63

Song for the Season “Called to Be” Insert

The Sermon “Called to be Reconciled”

Hymn of the Day “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” No. 439

Affirmation of Faith

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
He came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
He was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered, died, and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in fulfillment of the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and
glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic
Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of
sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH** pg. 65

P: Let us come before the Lord, humbly imploring Him to look in mercy on us, the whole Church, and the world.

(after each petition the following is said)

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

***The Great Thanksgiving**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. And so with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might:

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

P: We do not presume to come to Your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in Your manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under Your table.

But You are the same Lord whose nature is always to

have mercy.

Blessed are You, gracious Lord,
and blessed is Your dear Son, Jesus Christ,
who feeds us with his own flesh and blood
that we may evermore dwell in Him and He in us.
Consuming Him and consumed by Him
we are thus strengthened to walk in His footsteps,
even knowing that to do so
will inflame the fury of hell.

We bless You for Christ, who has gone on before us,
enduring the cross and disregarding its shame,
to open a new trail for all to follow,
a trail of justice and liberating peace,
which presses on through suffering and beyond,
all the way to the banqueting room of heaven.
Blessed is our brother Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter
of our faith; who, on the night when he was
betrayed,
took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and said
“This is my body, which is for you. Do this to remember me.”

In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying:
“This cup is the new covenant in my blood. do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me.”

So, as we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

C: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, here in this place,
we celebrate the life that was born at Bethlehem,
the life that Jesus has shared among his community
through the centuries, and shares with us now.
Made one with Him, and thus one with each other,
we lay before You these gifts of bread and wine,
in token of our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
for here we offer and present to You ourselves,
our bodies, minds and spirits,
to be a holy and continuous sacrifice to You.
Come now, O Spirit of Christ, brood over these bodily
things, this bread and this wine.
May they be for us Your body and blood,
vibrant with life, healing, renewing and making us
whole.
And embrace us with Your life-giving power,
that as bread and wine are made one with us,

we may become one with You,
bone of Your bone, flesh of Your flesh,
living our prayer and praying our life
until love and fidelity embrace, peace and
justice kiss, and all are free as Christ is free.
Because You are one with us, O Christ, make us one
with You as we pray the prayer You taught us:

The Lord's Prayer

**C: 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.**

Song for the Eucharist "Victim Divine, Your Grace We Claim" No. 202

Communion

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may honor His sacrifice by continuing His mission in the world.

All are invited to take the communion packet that was provided as you came to worship this morning.

P: Take and eat, this is the Body of Christ, broken for you to be made whole.

All are invited to open the larger cup from the communion packet and partake of the wafer therein.

P: Take, drink, the Blood of Christ, poured out for you to be filled with His endless life.

Please open the smaller cup to consume the wine.

P: The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ and His precious Blood strengthen and preserve you in true faith to life everlasting.

C: Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

P: Lord Jesus Christ, you have gathered your children together in this place,

C: "...as a hen gathers her brood under her wings..."

P: and have fed us with this heavenly food. As we leave the warmth of this gathering, make us bold to follow you to your cross...to your glory,

C: and guide us as we gather more people to join your holy brood.

P: You are the Lord forevermore.

C: Amen.

Sending

P: Go now, trusting in God's promises.
Seek the presence of the Lord and abandon yourself to prayer.
Follow those who are faithful to God, stand firm against evil and seek healing for all.

God be your saving light and fortress;
Christ Jesus gather you into the safe wings of mercy;
the Holy Spirit make you + citizens of heaven.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn *"Lord Christ, When First You Came to Earth"* No. 421

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Our Worship Is Ended—Now Our Service Begins!

Please remember these members in your prayers

Bill & Sharon Crile—Bill recovering from surgery

Jim Doerfler—serious mouth surgery—continued healing

Carol Earle—immediate family for peace and comfort

Cory Hautmann—Physiological strength

Linda Hautmann—Strength and healing for Lupus and from melanoma

Palagia Hlava—complications from MS and a fall, broke leg

Lorene Kozar—was moved to an apartment in Mentor—needs peace about the move

Becky Larkins—for successful adoption of Holly
The Nicely/Ayers/Torres families on the passing of Ken Nicely II
Carol & Heather Poston—strength and healing from MS
Rory Wolff—shoulder and back pain
Our College Students— Abigail Ayers, Corey Hautmann, Thomas Ayers
Troy Roman—joined the Marines

Remember in prayer these friends of the congregation

For our Bishop, Jamison Hardy, and the congregations and pastors of the
English District and the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Alexa—swollen spleen—granddaughter of Joyce
Chip Black—loss of her husband, Roger--sister of Deb
Nickoles Bohne—dying from liver failure—in-law of Guy
Patty Bowman—covid—Bill & Sharon Crile's daughter
Carl—transition from Memory Care to move to Concord, OH—father of Carol Earle
Russ & Lana Carnes—need assisted living—the Wolffs
Debbie Conrad—home burned down—co-worker of Amy
Leona Corban—doing better—Marla's mom
Dan Erlandson—severe depression-hopelessness—friend of Robin
George Foerster—father of Dianne Reynolds
Christine Frank—cancer—friend of Jim
Ava Gillum—15 year old with soft tissue cancer—friend of Robin
Ken Granville—leukemia—retired Band Director and friend of many
Patty & Kenny Hansen—many mechanical problems with their home—friend of Amy Rohaley
Anita Hlava—speedy recovery from hip surgery—Steve's mom
Evan Hlava—recovering from heart inflammation—nephew of Steve Hlava
Karl Hlava—prayers for comfort & strength in loss of wife—brother of Steve Hlava
Charles Hovanvetz—triple bypass surgery—friend of Beuck's
Debbie Hovanvetz-internal problems-neighbor of Tom & Linda Beuck
Janice—heart problems
Louise Jerina—brain aneurysm—healing at home—friend of Deb
Laura—gall bladder surgery—Joyce's sister
Lexi—Praise! No cancer but a bacterial infection—Trudy's niece
Frank Manijak—failing health—Steve's Dad
Joe Manijak—complications after back surgery—brother of Steve
Amanda Nicely—strength and peace—Trudy's sister-in-law
Jodie Powers—addiction healing, doing much better—niece of Steve and Marla
Peter Power—diabetes—friend of the Earle's
Leo Rohaley—declining health—uncle of Amy
Sharon—heart valve infection—friend of Rory
Leslie Slanina—healing—Gilbert's mom
Angela Smith—stage 4 cancer—friend of Robin
John Szabo—multiple myeloma—family friend of Amy

Deacon Robert Szalai—born at 4 lbs. 11 oz with health problems—stopped breathing twice—may have brain
issues—grandnephew of Steve Hlava

Tim Tolodzieski—recovering—brother-in-law of Steve Crile
Linda Veletta—foot surgery—neighbor of Robin
Bennie Wegener—pancreatic cancer—friend of the Wolff's
Dan Wiley—In remission. Praise God! Prayers for family concerns—friend of Diane Lee
Donny Wood—cancer surgery recovery—friend of Joyce
Carol Yurkschatt—hospitalized—Rocky and Kim Kinder

Ukraine refugees
All natural disasters victims
COVID 19 virus patients