

Welcome to
Luther Memorial Church
of the Erie Lutheran Parish



13 MARCH 2022
The Second Sunday in Lent

Though we sometimes doubt and often resist God's desire to protect and save us, our God persists. In holy baptism, God's people have been called and gathered into a God-initiated relationship that will endure. Lent provides the church with a time and a tradition in which to seek God's face again. Lent provides another occasion to behold the God of our salvation in the face of the Blessed One who "comes in the name of the Lord."

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH

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Holy Communion • ELW – Setting Ten • 8:15 & 10:30



LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

Luther Memorial is Christ's church that brings its ministry to northwest Pennsylvania within the context of its Lutheran heritage.

As a church that ministers to the community, it seeks to be an inclusive congregation providing a welcoming environment for all to worship, learn, and enhance both personal spiritual growth and fellowship.

GATHERING – "The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God."

PRELUDE – "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"
"The God of Abraham Praise"

arr. Ron Boud, Cindy Berry
arr. John Carter, Marilyn Ham

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and may worship you with all our mind and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Lutheran Book of Worship*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

☞ In the name of God,
who makes a way in the wilderness,
walks with us,
and guides us in our pilgrimage.

☞ **Amen.**

Silence is kept for reflection.



P Holy One,
C we confess that we have wandered far from you:
 we have not trusted your promises,
 we have ignored your prophets in our own day,
 we have squandered our inheritance of grace,
 we have failed to recognize you in our midst.
 Have mercy on us!
 Forgive us and turn us again to you.
 Teach us to follow in your ways,
 assure us again of your love,
 and help us to love our neighbor.
 Amen.

P Beloved in Christ,
 the Word draws near to you,
 and all who call out to God shall be saved.
 In Jesus, God comes to you again and again
 and gathers you under wings of love.
 In † Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven.
 God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love.
C Amen.

Shaped by its traditional Jewish tune, this selection of English stanzas conveys the essence of the Yigdal, a canticle based on a medieval Hebrew statement of faith, about the nature of God and often used in synagogue worship, alternatively chanted by cantor and congregation.

ENTRANCE HYMN

ELW 831

The God of Abraham Praise



1 The God of A - br'ham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove;
 2 The God of A - br'ham praise! At your su - preme com - mand
 3 The God of A - br'ham praise! Your all - suf - fi - cient grace



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love—
 from earth I rise and seek the joys at your right hand.
 shall guide me all my pil - grim days in all my ways.



"I Am the One I Am"— by earth and heav'n con - fessed;
 I all on earth for - sake— its wis - dom, fame, and pow'r—
 You deign to call me friend; you call your - self my God!

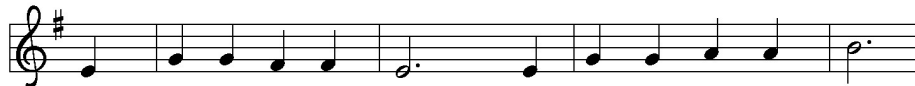


I bow and bless the sa - cred name for - ev - er blest.
 and you my on - ly por - tion make, my shield and tow'r.
 And you will save me to the end through Je - sus' blood.

GREETING

- ☐ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- ☑ **And also with you.**

KYRIE



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ☐ Let us pray.
- ☑ **God of the covenant, in the mystery of the cross you promise everlasting life to the world. Gather all peoples into your arms, and shelter us with your mercy, that we may rejoice in the life we share in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Please be seated.

WORD – “God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching and song.”

God promises a childless and doubting Abram that he will have a child, that his descendants will be as numerous as the stars, and that the land of Canaan will be their inheritance. Abram’s trust in God is sealed with a covenant-making ceremony, a sign of God’s promise.

FIRST READING: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ²But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” ⁵He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

⁷Then he said to him, “I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.” ⁸But he said, “O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?” ⁹He said to him, “Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.”

¹⁰He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. ¹¹And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

¹²As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. ►

¹⁷When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. ¹⁸On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, “To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.”

☐ The word of the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 27 (*Spoken responsively by whole verse.*)

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

²**When evildoers close in against me to devour my flesh,
they, my foes and my enemies, will stumble and fall.**

³Though an army encamp against me, my heart will not fear.

Though war rise up against me, my trust will not be shaken.

⁴**One thing I ask of the LORD; one thing I seek;
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God in the temple.**

⁵For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter,

hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high upon a rock.

⁶**Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me.**

Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing;

I will sing and make music to the LORD.

⁷Hear my voice, O LORD, when I call;

have mercy on me and answer me.

⁸**My heart speaks your message— “Seek my face.”**

Your face, O LORD, I will seek.

⁹Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger.

Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of my salvation.

¹⁰**Though my father and my mother forsake me,
the LORD will take me in.**

¹¹Teach me your way, O LORD;

lead me on a level path, because of my oppressors.

¹²**Subject me not to the will of my foes,**

for they rise up against me, false witnesses breathing violence.

¹³This I believe—that I will see the goodness of the LORD
in the land of the living!

¹⁴**Wait for the LORD and be strong.**

Take heart and wait for the LORD!

*Although Paul’s devotion to Christ has caused him to be persecuted,
he does not regret the course he has taken. Writing from prison, he expresses confidence
in a glorious future and encourages other Christians to follow in his footsteps.*

SECOND READING: Philippians 3:17--4:1

¹⁷Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us.

¹⁸For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. ¹⁹Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things.

²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. ²¹He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory,

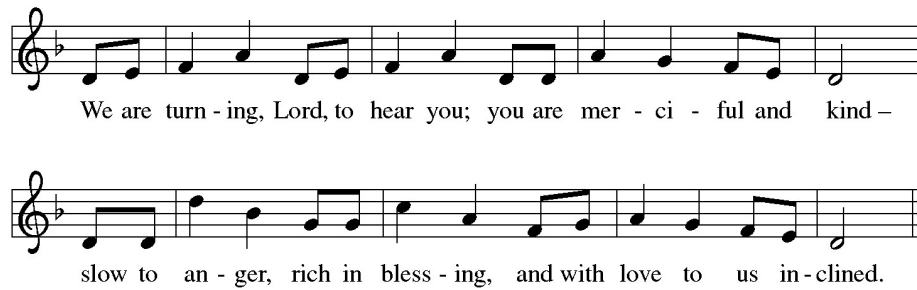
by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. ^{4:1}Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

☐ The word of the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind -
slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

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

*Neither Herod's plotting nor Jerusalem's resistance to maternal love
will deter Jesus from his sacrificial mission.*

GOSPEL: Luke 13:31-35

³¹At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus,] "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you."
³²He 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. ³³Yet 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.' ³⁴Jerusalem, 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! ³⁵See, 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.'"

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Moran

Silence is kept for reflection.

Please stand as you are able.

*Better known as "Lina", the author of this hymn was the daughter of a Lutheran pastor.
She wrote hymns partly to cope with the fact that she witnessed her father's death by drowning.
Many of her 650 hymns gained popularity because of the musical settings
written by gospel singer Oskar Ahnfelt and Jenny Lind.*

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 613

Thy Holy Wings



1 Thy ho - ly wings, O Sav - ior, spread gent - ly o - ver me,
3 Oh, wash me in the wa - ters of No - ah's cleans - ing flood.



and let me rest se - cure - ly through good and ill in thee.
Give me a will - ing spir - it, a heart both clean and good.

Oh, be my strength and por - tion, my rock and hid - ing place,
Oh, take in - to thy keep - ing thy chil - dren great and small,

and let my ev - 'ry mo - ment be lived with - in thy grace.
and while we sweet - ly slum - ber, en - fold us one and all.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903, sts. 1, 3; Gracia Grindal, b. 1943, st. 2; tr. composite
Music: BRED DINA VIDA VINGAR, Swedish folk tune
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APOSTLES' CREED

- A** With the whole church, let us confess our faith.
- C** **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**
**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

- A** Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
A brief silence.
- A** You gather the church into a community of mercy and grace. Unify Christians around the globe in efforts to proclaim good news even in the face of opposition and to protect those whose lives are imperiled by the gospel. Merciful God,
- C** **receive our prayer.**
- A** You create the entire universe and call it good. Grant us grace to treat our world as a beautiful gift from you and as a sign of your love for all creatures. Merciful God receive our prayer. Merciful God,
- C** **receive our prayer.** ►

A You raise up leaders committed to love and justice. Nurture in those who govern patience to receive criticism, openness to new ideas, and courage to change course when needed for the sake of the common good. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A You hear us when we cry to you. Attend to those expecting a child, and console those who have experienced miscarriage. Comfort veterans enduring post-traumatic stress. Shield those endangered by domestic violence. Uphold those who are ill or grieving. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A You kindle faith that moves us into action. Guide children and adults preparing for baptism or confirmation. Empower Sunday school teachers, confirmation leaders, and parents who share their faith with younger generations. Give us all a renewed sense of vocation. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A You guide us in all times of our lives. In this time of pastoral transition at Luther Memorial Church, strengthen all congregational members, leaders, and the Call Committee to hold firmly onto the promises of the Gospel, and continually give this congregation your wisdom and guidance. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A You welcome us into your heavenly realm. We give thanks for those whose labors on earth are ended and who now rest with you. On the final day, gather all of us, with them, in your loving arms. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

P Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you. *Romans 16:16*

Please be seated.

MEAL – “God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.”

VOLUNTARY – “Let Us Break Bread Together”

arr. Charles Callahan

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Extravagant God,
you have blessed us with the fullness of creation.
Now we gather at your feast
where you offer us the food that satisfies.
Take and use what we offer here, come among us,
and feed us with the body and blood of Christ,
in whose name we pray.

C Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

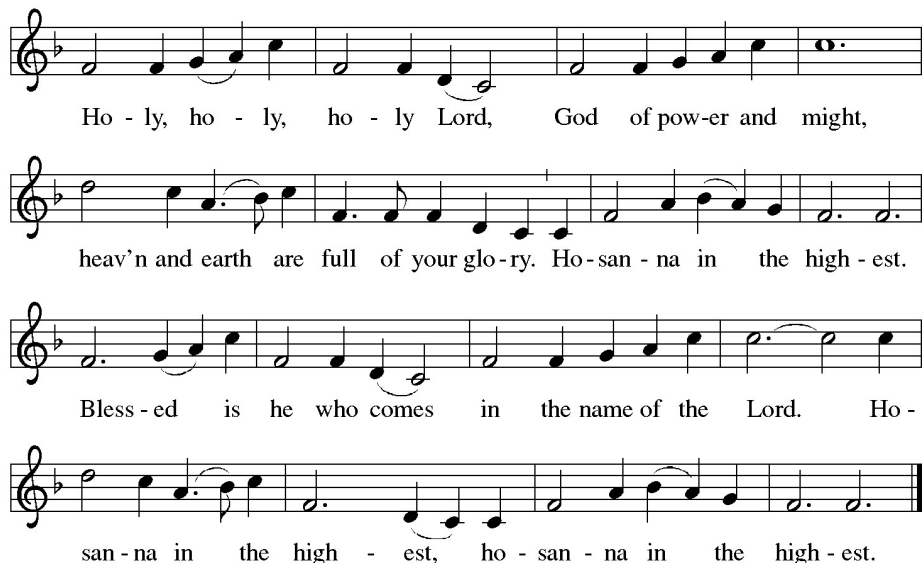
P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise. ►

- It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who, sharing our life, lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to your own brilliant light. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

- Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
 who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
 who preached good news to the poor,
 and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
 we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
 and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
 the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
 be all honor and glory, now and forever.

- Amen.**



☐ Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

☑ **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. *Matthew 6:9***

AGNUS DEI



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

☐ Here is food and drink for the journey.
Take and be filled.

☑ **Amen.**

☐ Those communing at home: take and eat, the body and blood of Christ given and shed for you.
(10:30 am Service)

The congregation is seated.

Today's service is a celebration of Holy Communion. We believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the gifts of bread and wine, bringing forgiveness of sins and new life to all who receive this sacrament. All baptized Christians who come at our Lord's invitation are welcome at His table of grace.

Please come forward by the center aisle and maintain appropriate physical distancing. Receive the bread from the pastor then proceed to the assisting minister who will be holding a tray of cups with wine, and also cups with grape juice.

Take a cup and then return to your seat by the side aisle.

Gluten-free wafers are on the stand in front of the baptismal font.

If you are not going to receive Holy Communion, but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest.

COMMUNION

This hymn was not originally associated with communion, but rather was a gathering song for secret meetings of African slaves who had been forbidden their accustomed use of drums or horn for this purpose. After the Civil War the first two stanzas were added and it came to be used as a communion hymn.

HYMN FOR THE DISTRIBUTION

ELW 471

Let Us Break Bread Together



1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;
3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;



let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.
let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.
let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.



When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing



sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

Text: African American spiritual
Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

Please stand as you are able.

BLESSING

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
C Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- A** Compassionate God,
you have fed us with the bread of heaven.
Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage:
may our fasting be hunger for justice;
our alms, a making of peace;
and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
C Amen.

SENDING – “God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.”

BLESSING

P You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey.

Almighty God, motherly, majestic, and mighty,

✠ bless you this day and always.

C Amen.

Text for this hymn was written at the request of an editor, by a distinguished minister and educator who served in churches along the Eastern seaboard in the 20th century. The hymn tune is held to have originated in the late Middle Ages, and an earlier version was found in a Genevan psalter.

SENDING HYMN

ELW 727

Lord Christ, When First You Came to Earth



1 Lord Christ, when first you came to earth, up -
4 O wound - ed hands of Je - sus, build in



on a cross they bound you, and mocked your sav - ing
us your new cre - a - tion; our pride is dust, our



king - ship's worth by thorns with which they crowned you. And
vaunt is stilled; we wait your rev - e - la - tion. O



still our wrongs may fash - ion now new thorns to pierce that
Love that tri - umphs o - ver loss, we bring our hearts be -



stead - y brow, and robe of sor - row round you.
fore your cross; come, fin - ish your sal - va - tion.

Text: W. Russell Bowie, 1882–1969, alt.
Music: MIT FREUDEN ZART, medieval European tune

DISMISSAL INTO THE WORLD FOR SERVICE

A Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

C Thanks be to God!

**POSTLUDE – "Lord Christ, When First You Came to Earth"
"Ukrainian National Anthem"**

arr. Jacques Berthier
Mykhaylo Verbytsky

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— **SERVING TODAY** —

PREACHING – Pastor Brian Moran

GREETERS – Vicky Blasco, Arlene & John Evans (8:15 am)

Emma Chaffee, Jeanne Gaber, Liz Stroup (10:30 am)

ASSISTING MINISTERS – Roberta Lobaugh (8:15 am)

Dave Griswold (10:30 am)

LECTOR – Linda Melaragno (10:30 am)



Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Lois and Les Fobes.

Flyers listing possibilities for your Lenten disciplines are located at the welcome tables. Please pick one up and prayerfully consider how you will keep the season of Lent this year.

Today's Events

Lucky Leprechaun Bingo will be held today from 12:00 noon – 4:00pm. Eight (8) games of bingo and two (2) coverall games will be played. Admission is \$25/person. Prizes will be \$50 gift cards. There will be more fun with a surprise Chinese auction, tip boards, ruffles and pull tables. Small snacks, water and pop will be available for purchase. Masks are required.

Worship

Lent is a more quiet and somber time than others in the church year. On Sunday mornings in Lent we will be intentionally extending the times of silence for your own reflection and prayer.

Lenten services will be held each Wednesday in Lent at 12:05pm in the main church. Come join us in the observance of a holy Lent and be changed by the grace of God. Lenten meals will not be offered this year, but we are hopeful they will resume next year.

March 16	"Love Does No Wrong to a Neighbor"	Pastor Karen Parsh
March 23	"The Greatest of These is Love"	Pastor Kristen Papon
March 30	"Love Your Enemies"	Mr. Ron King
April 6	"Perfect Love Casts Out Fear"	Pastor Brian Moran

Palm Sunday 10:30 worship service will begin with a processional using rhythm instruments led by our children. We hope many of our children will join us for this special service as we celebrate the day that Jesus entered Jerusalem. Please contact our church office of Beth Keller if your child(ren) would like to participate.

Volunteers are needed to welcome those attending worship on Sunday mornings for the 8:15 and 10:30am services. Please contact Norma, in the church office, if you would like to welcome our friends with a smile. Thank you.

Christian Education

Luther Memorial Church's 10th grade students will prepare for their confirmation and gather for classes beginning Sunday, April 24 through Sunday, May 22 from 11:30am – 1:00pm. These youth will be confirmed on Pentecost Sunday during the 10:30am service, on Sunday, June 5, 2022.

Children's Church classes are held Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:15am in the classroom next to fellowship hall. Masks are worn and all safety protocols are followed. We hope to see many of our children join us. Our class schedule is as follows:

Pre-K and Kindergarten – first Sunday of the month (April 3)

Grades 1-3 – second Sunday of the month (March 13)

LYO – third Sunday of the month (March 20)

Grades 4-6 – fourth Sunday of the month (March 27)

Luther Memorial Church's 7th, 8th and 9th graders will be attending **Confirmation Camp at Camp Lutherlyn** from June 19 to June 24, 2022. Information will be sent to all parents and students about the details of Confirmation Camp. Please mark these dates on your calendar.

Opportunities for Fellowship

Magic Fingers Grace Group meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 10:00-11:30am. Join us March 22; this is more fun than finding a pot of gold at the end of a rainbow. Please contact Norma, in the church office, or Jan MacInnes and let us know if you are in need of more yarn or have any questions. During each gathering masks are worn and safe distancing protocols are followed.

Supporting our Youth

Fundraisers continue to help offset the church cost of Confirmation Camp for our youth. We invite you to stop by the youth table in the parlor area and browse the wide assortment of items to order; dips from Gourmet Creations, Cookie Cards from Ye Ole Sweet Shoppe, Tropical Sweet Heat sauce from Hot Diggity Pepper Company, and hamloaf for your Easter dinner.

Summer Camp

Register for a great week of summer fun at Camp Lutherlyn. There are camps available for every interest from Horse Camp to Rocketry to Arts & Music. Even the youngest can attend Small Fry Days and the entire family can enjoy Family Camp. Flyers are available at the welcome tables.

Military Outreach

Military Care Packages are being prepared to be sent to our servicemen and women. Donations and cards may be placed in the marked boxes in the parlor area. Homemade cookies may be dropped off in the church office, marked "military". Monetary donations are appreciated to help with the shipping cost. Please help us support our troops with some gifts from home and prayers for their safe return. **Donations will be accepted from through April 2. A drive-by drop off at the church will be held April 2 from 10:00-11:00am.**

Support for Ukraine

To offer support to people in Ukraine donations may be made to the following organizations:

- Lutheran Disaster Response at www.ldr.org or call 800-638-3522
- Lutheran World Relief at www.lwr.org
- Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service at www.lirs.org

The Grace Slavic Pentecostal Church located on Carriage Hill Drive in Erie wanted to create a reliable place where the community can donate towards Ukraine. This humanitarian effort is currently providing support to the refugees that have left Ukraine. Information on ways to donate, as well as their newsletter and videos, can be found on their website at <https://linktr.ee/ErieForUkraine>.

In Case of Emergency

In case of an emergency please contact our church office at 454-0106, ext. 221 during weekday business hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm to speak with Norma. During the weekend and evening you are welcome to contact Norma Buerk at 450-7162 or Linda Graffius at 440-5458. Thank you.

Luther Memorial Church Policy

Luther Memorial Church will continue to request that all those worshipping wear a mask regardless of your vaccination status through Sunday, March 20. **Beginning Sunday, March 27 masks will be optional.** Masking recommendations will be revisited monthly and changes made if community numbers increase. We continue to respect your choice for physical distancing. Thank you for your cooperation.

Our 8:15 worship service will return to the Chapel beginning Sunday, April 27, the first Sunday after Easter.

C A L E N D A R

MONDAY, MARCH 14

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

8:45am LMA Buddy Program
5:30pm Call Committee

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16

12:05pm Lenten Worship Service
3:00pm School Board

THURSDAY, MARCH 17

6:00pm Handbell Rehearsal
6:30pm Girl Scout Leader Meeting
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, MARCH 18

1:30pm LMA Assembly
6:00pm LMA Middle School Dance

SATURDAY, MARCH 19

SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2022 THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Pastor Karen Lundwall will preach at the 8:15 and 10:30am worship services in the main church. The 10:30am service is live streamed on our church YouTube Channel; go to YouTube, in the search bar type in “Luther Memorial Church, Erie, PA”. Subscribe to the channel.

The recorded service is also available on Luther Memorial Church’s website at www.luthermemorialonline.org by clicking on the tabs of “Resources & Online Worship” and “Sunday Morning Worship, Daily Prayer and Bible Study”.

LYO & Confirmation class will be held at 9:30am.

First Holy Communion class will be held at 9:30am.

VASA will meet at 1:00pm.

SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2022		
ASSISTING IN WORSHIP		
Assisting Ministers	8:15am 10:30am	Rob Benacci Liz Stroup
Altar Guild	8:15am 10:30am	Cathie Dugan Loretta Deeds

- PRAYER LIST -

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Our Members:

Sarah Prylinski	Dorothy Overberg	Judy Crissman	Cathy MacGregor
Mike Daniels	Dorothy Respecki	Lois Fobes	Bill Grande
Barb Holcomb	David Ruler	Jessica Copfer	Peyton Thomas
Joyce Zwilling	Mark Howell	Laura Beth Kraut	Shirley Brown
Bev Held	Suzanne Franks	Linda Soles	Mark Lechner
Rosanne & Roy Strausbaugh	Dave Mumford	Kathy & Ken Kraut	Nancy Downey
Julie, AJ, baby Gigi Chandler	Matt Kinzig	Brent Young	Dave Kinzig
Bob Banks	Elaine Kern		

Friends and Family:

Cecily & Addison DeMille	Patty Chadwick	Bob Sadowski	Bobbi MacInnes
Frank Nalepa	Kristen	Larry E.	Kirsten Braley
Bob	Amy Valentine	Jesse McFadden	Abby
John & Naomi Howard	Ed Hokaj	Josie W.	Ray Polasky
Marianella	Linda Grimm	Gayle Rumbaugh	Shelly
Kim Robertson	Edna Pett	Bea Becknell	Shaffer family
Eli Martinez Montero	Aahron	Kimberly Ferry	Juan Esparza
Amanda, Joe & Mitchell S.	Clarice Moore	Don Ingraham	Bob Guenther
Linda & Woody F.	Julie Pond	David	Debbie S.
Steven & Ally Soltesz	Paul Spierling	Frank S.	Mitch Dougan
Mike Cesnick & family	Ben Young	Pamela Hagele	Pam Torrelli
Chet & Pam W.	Bill	John Shafer	Norman Jensen
N. S.	Aiden Mack	Marie Checkley	Kim Hunkins
Tom Ridge	Ethan Polasky	Julie	Betsy
Laurie, Eric & family	Tom Kraut	Kayley Prinzi	Amy
Brandon Jones	Bruce Elfvin	Clarence Chase	Dick Lechner
Christian	Jeff F.	Sue Kuhn	Amanda Toms
Brandon & Stacey Campbell	Paula and Chet Bixby	Pete Battersby	Sue Gerke
Tom McGrail	Judy Skoog	Dr. Carl Seon	Sam Ruma
Missy & Jeff	Kathy Kisak	Sophia	Lesley
Jim Haskins	Dennis Chevalier	Patrick L	Paula Bauda
Marilyn Schultz	Ron Trisket	Sidney	Loraine Pond
Allison & Erick	Bryan & Bev	Judy Oosterkamp	Marianella
Carolyn & Viktor Soder	Meghan Kessler	Jennifer Bluey	Jim Schumacher
Bishop Michael Lozano	Lucas Smith	Steve & Leah W.	Scott Respecki
Mike & Paula Lombardozzi family	Bonnie Ford	Jim Sturm	Amy & Nate
Eli Martinez Montero	William Lemmon	Rev. Ralph Storm	

Grief:

Carol Stinson & family

Our Military Service Men & Women:

Lt. Col. Matt Anderson	Michael Stickner	Andrew Watson	Alli Brown
Ben Dixon			