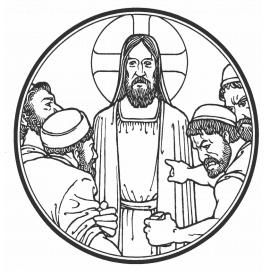
Fifth Sunday of Lent March 18th, 2018



All He demands of those who would belong to Him; all has He given. South Big Horn Lutheran Parish

Grace Lutheran Church Greybull

For by grace you have been saved, through faith, and this is not of yourselves, it is the gift of God.

Zion Lutheran Church Emblem

Shout and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

Isaiah 12:6

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Ephesians 2:8-9

Notes for the Season

Lent is a time of preparation for Easter. It is a season of **penitence**, and the colour of the season is that of penitence, **purple**. For a while we lay aside the triumphant celebration of our salvation to meditate upon the cost of our salvation, and our responsibility for His sufferings. In this sense we are *fasting* with Him, as we prepare for a jubilant celebration of His victory.

Today:

Penitential Order of Holy Communion, TLH p. 184 Hymns: 451 - 431 - 781:1-2 - 450 - 422

About Holy Communion

In the Sacrament we are made one with the risen Christ, and with each other. According to Holy Scripture, oneness in faith and confession is a precondition for such unity. As such, only Christians who share our faith and confession, and who therefore belong to congregations in fellowship with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, will commune in our church. **Visitors wishing to receive the sacrament** - please speak with Pastor prior to the service. We ask for now that our guests will respect the faith of our Church in this important matter. Our Pastor would love to have the opportunity to study Holy Scripture with you and help you to embrace the full counsel of God, so that we can celebrate the Sacrament together in a manner that will be both pleasing to God and beneficial for you and for the congregation.

The Week:

Tuesday:	Noon – 1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
	6 pm.	Board Meeting at Zion
Wednesday:	Noon – 1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
	6 pm.	Lenten Supper at Grace
	7 pm.	Lenten Worship at Grace
Thursday:	Noon - 1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
Friday:	Noon – 1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
Sunday:	8 am.	Communion Worship at Grace
	9:15 am.	Bible Study at Grace
	10:30 am.	Communion Worship at Zion
	11:45 am.	Bible Study at Zion

Just so we do not forget:

How is God's name kept holy?

God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in Heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father!

Of the Small Catechism

This we believe - from the Lutheran Confessions

For what God commands must be much and far nobler than everything that we may devise ourselves; and since there is no higher or better teacher to be found than God, there can be no better doctrine, indeed, than He gives forth. Now, He teaches fully what we should do if we wish to perform truly good works; and by commanding them, He shows that they please Him. If, then, it is God who commands this, and who knows not how to appoint anything better, I will never improve upon it.

Of the Large Catechism

Delicious Butter Braid Pastries are being sold as a fundraiser for the Youth Work. **Today is the last chance** to order. Your pastries will be ready for you to pick up at Church for Easter on **Sunday**, **April 1st**.

Board Meeting at Zion Tuesday, March 20th, at 6 pm.

Let's do the time warp again: Beginning on Sunday, April 1st, our service times will switch over, so that worship will be at Zion at 8 am., and at Grace at 10:30 am.

Lenten Carry-in Dinner at Grace Wednesday at 6 pm.

Lenten Worship at Grace Wednesday at 7 pm. Under the theme The Cross and the Creed we meditate on how different aspects of the faith are reflected in the sufferings and death of our Lord Jesus.

Clothing Drive at Grace for the Wind River Indian Mission. We are looking for clothes, particularly children's clothes What you would like to contribute, please bring it to Grace by **Sunday**, **April 15th**.

Position open at Immanuel in Powell: Immanuel Lutheran Church and Preschool, for applications an Early Childhood Powell, is now accepting Christian Director/Teacher. Applicants must belong to a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation, report directly to the Board of Education, and follow the law and guidelines of the Department of Family Services. This individual is responsible for planning, creating and implementing a Christian preschool program. The preschool strives to help children mature in their spiritual, educational, developmental, cognitive, emotional and social needs. If you would like the opportunity to make a difference in a child's life, please contact Mackenzie Graft at 307-254-2611.

A Stewardship Thought for the Sunday: Part of our readings today is Genesis 22:2 - "He said, 'Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.' " It's hard for us to even fathom a faith as strong as Abraham's: he follows the Lord's Word even when it seems impossibly hard. But he does so because he knows that the Lord only means to bless. What happened here to Abraham should be an encouragement for us: trust the Lord and keep His Word.

Of the LCMS Stewardship web site

A Life Thought From Lutherans For Life: "My body, my choice"; however, life is not for controlling but for offering and sharing (Mark 10:45). Our Creator bestows life as gift, promise, covenant, connecting us to Him and one another (Jeremiah 31:31-34). Broken covenants become cruel lords (Mark 10:42). Yet still Jesus enters our predicaments and understands our troubles (Hebrews 5:2, 7). No one suffers alone, and He remembers our sins no more. Eternal salvation results! Almighty Maker, enable us to share Your life with each other. Amen.

Bring your **used printer ink cartridges** to church; they can be recycled so as to not damage the environment – and raise money for our youth work and its mission projects.