

The First Sunday of Lent
February 21, 2021



*For our salvation
the Son obeyed the Father,
and commands us to.*

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.

Ephesians 2:8-9

**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

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 the sufferings of our Lord Jesus. In this sense we are *fasting* with Him, as we prepare for a jubilant celebration of His victory.

Today:

Penitential Order of Holy Communion, LSB p. 184

Hymns: 418 - 655 - 781:1-2 - 689/452/606 - 422

About Holy Communion

Holy Scripture teaches that as an expression of unity Christians should share the Sacrament only with those with whom we are united in a common faith. We honour this teaching as our due obedience, and also to guard the uninstructed and those who do not submit to the full counsel of God against spiritual harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). As such, only Christians who share our faith and confession and therefore belong to congregations in the fellowship of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod will commune in our church. **We sincerely welcome our visitors;** we assure you that we uphold this practice also out of concern for *your* spiritual welfare, and that our Pastor would love to study Scripture with you and help you embrace the full counsel of God, so that we can celebrate the Sacrament in a manner pleasing to God and beneficial for us all.

Just so we do not forget:

What is the First Commandment? You shall have no other gods.

What does this mean? We should fear, love and trust in God above all things.

Of the Small Catechism

This we believe - *from the Confessions of our Church*

God demands that all our works proceed from a heart which fears and regards God alone, and from a heart that out of such fear avoids everything that is contrary to His will, lest it should move Him to wrath; and, a heart, on the other hand, that also trusts in Him alone and from love to Him does all He wishes, because He speaks to us as friendly as a father, and offers us all grace and every good.

Of the Large Catechism

Lenten Dinners at Grace at 6 pm., prior to Lenten Worship, Tuesdays, February 23 and March 2, 9, 16, and 23.

February 23: Carry-in

March 2: Mongolian - *served by the Youth*

March 9: Carry-in

March 16: Pizza dinner - *served by the Youth*

March 23: Carry-in

Lenten Worship at Grace on Tuesdays, February 23 and March 2, 9, 16, and 23, at 7 pm. Our theme this year is **His Mercy and His Men**. In light of the Passion of Christ we meditate upon what Holy Scripture teaches about His gift of Confession and Absolution and the Office of the Holy Ministry.

Delicious Butter Braid pastries are being sold as a fund raiser for our youth account. Place your order on the sheet provided by **Sunday, March 14**. Your Pastries should be available to be given to you on Easter Sunday.

High quality cutlery and other food items are being sold as a fundraiser for our youth account. Look through a catalogue if there is something you would like, whether for yourself or as a gift for someone else, and let Mrs. T. know by Sunday, **March 14**.

A Stewardship Thought for the Sunday: Part of our readings today is Matthew 4:4 - "But he answered, 'It is written,' "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God." " What good are all the things of this world (food, drink, house, home, wealth, etc.) if we lose the things of God? What's more important? How should our priorities be arranged?

From the LCMS Stewardship Ministry

A Life Thought from Lutherans for Life: Satan's temptations of Jesus reveal his main tactic—make that which is bad look good. These days he spends much time making death look good; abortion is good and the way out of a difficult situation; assisted suicide is good and the way to relieve suffering. But death is not good! It is the curse of sin! It is our enemy. But just as Jesus defeated Satan, so He has defeated death. We can trust and live in His victory. *Jesus, may Your Word be ever on our hearts and lips that we might resist the snare of the devil. Amen.*



This Week:

Tuesday:	Noon - 1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
	6 pm.	Lenten Dinner at Grace
	7 pm.	Lenten Worship at Grace
Wednesday:	Noon - 1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
	2 pm. →	<i>Pastor Tinglund gone</i>
Thursday:	<i>Pastor Tinglund gone</i>	
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