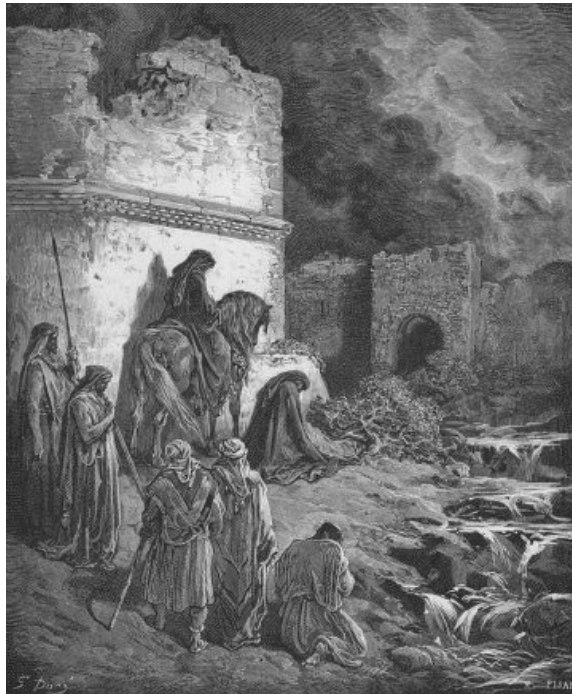


Sexagesima Sunday
February 7, 2021



*All else lost and gone,
the Word we have heard remains:
in that is victory!*

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 Sunday

Today is Sunday **Sexagesima**, which means (in Latin) that it is the Sunday (roughly) 60 days before Easter. With the **pre-Lenten Season** the Church begins to prepare herself for the remembrance of the sufferings and death of Christ. As such, the season serves as a transition from the Season of *Epiphany*, with its focus on the manifestation of the glory of Christ, to that of *Lent* with its focus on penitence and preparation. At the conclusion of our meditations on the Kingdom having come in Christ, we now look toward the consummation of the Kingdom has come to us in Christ. The colour of the season is **green**, signifying **growth and ripening**.

Today:

Order of Holy Communion, LSB p. 184 with *the Apostles' Creed*

Hymns: 615 - 658 - 781:1-2 - 636/709- 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:

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gift, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth and keeps it with Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the last day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me, and to all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

Of the Small Catechism

This we believe - from the Confessions of our Church

For we should not and cannot always judge from feeling about the presence, work, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, as to how and when they are experienced in the heart. They are often covered and happen in great weakness. Therefore, we should be certain about and agree with the promise that God's Word preached and heard is <truly> an office and work of the Holy Spirit. He is certainly effective and works in our hearts by them.

Formula Concord, the Solid Declaration

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

February 16: Pork loin and mashed potatoes - *served by the Youth*

February 23: Carry-in

March 11: Mongolian - *served by the Youth*

March 18: Carry-in

March 25: Pizza dinner - *served by the Youth*

April 1: Carry-in

Lenten Worship at Grace on Tuesdays, February 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, at 7 pm. Our theme this year will be **His Mercy and His Men**. In light of the Passion of Christ we shall meditate upon what Holy Scripture teaches about His gift of Confession and Absolution and the Office of the Holy Ministry.

A Stewardship Thought for the Sunday: Part of our readings today is Luke 8:5 - "And as he sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled underfoot. . ." Know any farmers like this? Who just throw their crop seed wherever? That's crazy! But God's ways are not our ways - He is generous beyond compare! He delights in giving. As we are more and more conformed to His image, may we also learn the joy of generosity and giving!
From the LCMS Stewardship Ministry

A Life Thought from Lutherans for Life: God's Word does things, guaranteed (Isaiah 55:11)! That's because God Himself works in and through His Word, accomplishing His will. His work through the Word made flesh changes hearts. That is why Lutherans For Life bases everything upon that Word. When hearts and minds are changed, people change. People changed and motivated by the Word can influence and bring change to our society. *Almighty Father, bring forth fruit from the seeds You plant in and through us. Amen.*



The Week:

Tuesday:	Noon - 1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
Wednesday:	Noon - 1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
	3 pm. →	<i>Pastor Tinglund gone</i>
Thursday:		<i>Pastor Tinglund gone</i>
Friday:	Noon -1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
	7 pm.	Penitence and Prayer Service at Grace
Saturday:	7 pm.	Communion Worship at Grace
		<i>- if anybody registers</i>
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