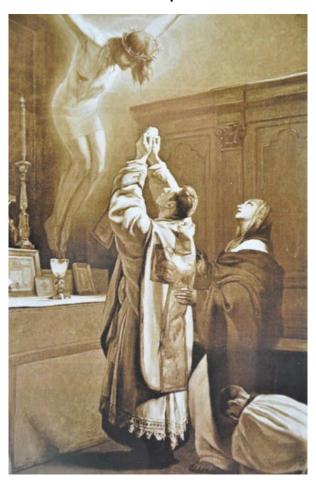
The Fifth Sunday of Lent March 17, 2024



His own work we plead before Him, who pleads His work before the Father.

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

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 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, w/the Apostles' Creed

Hymns: 451 - 534 - 781:1-2 - 610/615/430 - 422

About Holy Communion

Holy Scripture teaches that to honour Christ's call for unity in His Church, Christians must share the Sacrament only with those with whom whom we are united in a common faith. As our due obedience, and also to protect ourselves against spiritual harm, as well as those who do not know or submit to the full counsel of God, only Christians who share our faith, and who 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 we can celebrate the Sacrament together in a manner both pleasing to God and beneficial for us all.

Just so we do not forget:

For thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen. What does this mean?

This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means "yes, yes, it shall be so."

Of the Small Catechism

This we believe - from the Confessions of our Church

We Christians should know that if God is not in the scale to give it weight, we, on our side, sink to the ground. I mean it this way: if it cannot be said that God died for us, but only a man, we are lost; but if God's death and a dead God lie in the balance, His side goes down and ours goes up like a light and empty scale.

Formula Concord, the Solid Declaration

Carry-in Dinner at Grace at 6 pm. prior to Lenten Worship on Wednesday, March 20. A free will offering will be taken for our Youth/Visitation/Emergency Account.

Lenten Worship at Grace at 7 pm. on Wednesday, March 20. Under the theme *His Mercy and His Means* we shall, in light of His sufferings, meditate on how He actually gives to His Christians the salvation He has won for us with His sufferings.

Services of penitence and prayer at Grace on Friday evenings at 7 pm. in response to political and financial and cultural chaos and oppression at home and abroad, war, and other current threats to the peace of the world, the freedom of the Church of Christ, and the general well-being of human beings everywhere.

Maundy Thursday Lamb Dinner, sponsored by Thrivent, at Grace on Thursday, March 28, at 6pm., prior to Maundy Thursday worship. A free will offering will be taken for our Youth/Emergency/Visitation Fund.

Greeting cards for all occasions are (still) being sold by the LWML, at prices much lower than you will find in any store in town.

Holy Week and Easter worship and other activities

Grace: Zion:

Maundy Thursday, March 28: Good Friday, March 29:

Dinner at 6 pm. Passion Worship at Noon

Communion Worship at 7 pm. <u>Easter, March 31:</u>

Good Friday, March 29: Communion Worship at 10:30 am.
Passion Worship at 7 pm. Bible Study at 10:45 am.

<u>Easter, March 31:</u>

Communion Worship at 8 am.

Easter Breakfast/Bible Study 9:15 am.

.Pastor Tinglund has been called to serve as Associate Pastor to Atonement Lutheran Church and School in Glendale, Arizona. He would welcome not only your prayers, but also any thoughts you may have to share with him in this regard.

Let's do the time warp again: Our Worship times will switch over on **Sunday**, **April 7**, so that Sunday worship at Zion will be held at 8 am. and at Grace at 10:30 am.

A Life Thought from Lutherans for Life: Jesus Christ embodies the God who abides beside us in our ailments and frailties. Our incarnate and crucified Savior suffers with and for those who cannot sustain or save themselves. He regards even human beings beset by weakness or sickness high enough to take on our condition Himself (Hebrews 5:7-9). The Gospel just leaves no room for abortion or assisted suicide

A Stewardship Thought for the Sunday: Part of our readings today is Mark 10:45 - "For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Jesus gives everything He has: He gives Himself. That self-giving is the model for our giving in all aspects of our lives. In our family, in our church, and in the world at large, Jesus calls us to follow His example of self-giving. We can only do this if we are connected to His self-giving in faith.

From the LCMS Stewardship Ministry

This Week:

Tuesday: Noon - 1 pm. Pastor's office hours at Grace Wednesday: Noon -1 pm. Pastor's office hours at Grace

6 pm. Lenten Dinner 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

7 pm. Penitence and Prayer Worship 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