

Lakeside Community Lutheran Church
28626 County Road H - Webster, WI 54893

First Sunday in Lent
February 26, 2023

WELCOME TO LAKESIDE We extend a welcome to share our worship service. Offering envelopes may be placed in the offering basket in front of the font. Your donations are appreciated. Please pass and sign the attendance sheet in the pews. We invite you to join coffee and fellowship following the service.

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

Stand as you are able

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do.

Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

ELW 504

Last verse, stand as you are able.

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious;
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious.
The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dreadful might
he arms himself to fight. On earth he has no equal.

- 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight, whom God himself elected.
You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.
- 3 Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat'ning to devour us,
we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot overpower us.
Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage!
His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail!
One little word subdues him.
- 4 God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it;
for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit.
Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse,
though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day.
The kingdom's ours forever!

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

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us gracious Lord. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SHARING OF THE PEACE

WORD

FIRST READING

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

^{3:1}Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" ²The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit

of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 32

¹Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!
²Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
³While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,
because of my groaning all day long.
⁴For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.
Isaid, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD.” Then you forgave me
the guilt of my sin.
⁶Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble;
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
⁷You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
⁸“I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;
I will guide you with my eye.
⁹Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you.”
¹⁰Great are the tribulations of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.
¹¹Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD;
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

SECOND READING Romans 5:12-19

¹²Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—¹³sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.
¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the

one man’s trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man’s sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷If, because of the one man’s trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.
¹⁸Therefore just as one man’s trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man’s act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹For just as by the one man’s disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man’s obedience the many will be made righteous.
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word ELW 517
Stand as you are able.

1 Lord, keep us steadfast in your word; curb those who by deceit or sword would wrest the kingdom from your Son and bring to naught all he has done.

GOSPEL Matthew 4:1-11

The holy gospel according to Matthew. Glory to you, O Lord.
¹Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” ⁴But he answered, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”
⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you,’
and ‘On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”
⁷Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”
⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” ¹⁰Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’”
¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.
The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Remain Steadfast

HYMN OF THE DAY *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

ELW 733

- 1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Refrain*

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain*

APOSTLES’ CREED

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.

PRAYER SONG *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word* ELW 517

- 2 Lord Jesus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are Lord of lords alone;
defend your holy church, that we may sing your praise eternally.
- 3 O Comforter of priceless worth, send peace and unity on earth;
support us in our final strife and lead us out of death to life.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING PRAYER LORD’S PRAYER

SENDING

SENDING SONG *Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer* ELW 618

- 1 Guide me ever, great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your pow'rful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.
- 2 Open now the crystal fountain where the healing waters flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer, shield me with your mighty arm,
shield me with your mighty arm.
- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs and praises, songs and praises, I will raise forevermore,
I will raise forevermore.

BENEDICTION ELW inside back cover
May the Lord bless you, may the Lord keep you,
May the Lord lift up his face to shine on you.
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DISMISSAL
Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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TODAY’S MINISTRY PARTICIPANTS

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| Webmaster | Tom Schneiberg |
| Counters | Dave & Linda Speidel |
| Office Administrator | Marsha Bruner |
| Ministers | All Members |

THIS WEEK AT LAKESIDE

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| Monday | 2/27 | No Yoga |
| Tuesday | 2/28 | 9am Mission Quilting 1pm Council/Committee Chairs 7pm AA/Alanon |
| Wednesday | 3/1 | No Yoga 9am Bible Study on Lord’s Prayer 10am Lenten Service |
| Thursday | 3/2 | 8am Men’s Breakfast Fellowship @ JoMama’s 9am Women’s Coffee Fellowship @ JoMama’s |
| Sunday | 3/5 | 9am Sunday School and Confirmation 10am Worship Service –Holy Communion |

First Sunday of Lent on February 26. Today's gospel tells of Jesus’ temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage. In the early church Lent was a time of intense preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God’s mercy, we receive the bread of life to nourish us for the days ahead. [SundaysandSeasons.com](#). Copyright © 2022 Augsburg Fortress.

New Kyrie to be used for Lent: The Worship Committee approved the use of the Kyrie from Setting Three in the ELW for the Sundays in Lent to reflect the more reflective tone. The Hymn of Praise is traditionally omitted during Lent.

Symbols of the Faith to be Focus of Mid-week Lenten Services on Wednesdays at 10am. The mid-week Lenten services will focus on The Windows at Lakeside in Stained Glass. Ash Wednesday will focus on the cross. The five mid-week services will then focus on the Word, Trinity, Jesus, Holy Baptism, Holy Communion. Plan now to attend these services.

Wanted: Compensated choir pianist, part-time compensated bookkeeper, volunteer newsletter editor, volunteer event coordinator. Contact office.

Commemoration of Patrick, Missionary to Ireland, on March 19. St. Patrick’s Day is known for secular celebrations. Come to a service of worship and hear about his lesser known work as missionary to Ireland. Some of his writings will be included, and songs will be sung to Irish tunes. No matter your ethnic background, you can commemorate this missionary to Ireland.

Update on Call Process: The Call Committee has received the name of a candidate. The committee met via Zoom on the 24th to review credentials both on paper and what has been learned from conversations with the candidate so as to create an action plan for a Zoom interview with the candidate. The committee asks for your ongoing patience out of respect for this candidate’s current call and cannot/will not respond to “what is the name, male/female, current location, etc.” The committee requests prayers for a very positive outcome for a qualified candidate and the Lakeside community. The committee includes: Chair Mick Peterson, Secretary Julie Swan, Ken Dobson, Laurie Lundeen, John LeMay, Jolyne Peterson, Anna Treague.

Walking Together 2023 – Rebound: From Nostalgia to New
We hope you'll join us for Walking Together as we reflect on our theme Rebound: From Nostalgia to New. Come for inspiration, new ideas, helpful resources, and great conversation. You'll have several workshops to choose from and we'll enjoy a time of worship together. EVENT DETAILS March 11, 2023 Bethany Lutheran Church - Rice Lake, WI. Several workshops throughout the day. Great Conversation & Fellowship. Worship. Inspiration. New Ideas. Resources. [Event Flyer](#) [Social Media Image](#) Registration Deadline is March 3. Registration fee of \$25 per person covers the cost of programming, materials, guest speakers, and lunch. Please click [HERE](#) to register [Northwest Synod of Wisconsin | Walking Together 2023 \(nswi.org\)](#)

Stewardship in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America: As members of the ELCA, we believe that we are freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. How do we respond to God’s call to serve and love our neighbors? We faithfully steward the gifts God has so abundantly given to us. Although some think of stewardship as only a financial response to God’s love, stewardship encompasses so much more than money. It is about how we use all that God has entrusted to our care — our time, our talents and our treasures — to love God and our neighbors, both inside and outside of the church walls and our homes. [Stewardship - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America \(elca.org\)](#)

Thank you for your participation in and support

of the life and mission of this congregation.