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

Commemoration of Patrick, Missionary to Ireland March 19, 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.** 

Morning Has Broken

## **GATHERING SONG**

ELW 556

Last verse, stand as you are able. 1 Morning has broken like the first morning; blackbird has spoken like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

- 2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven, like the first dewfall on the first grass. Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.
- 3 Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning, born of the one light Eden saw play! Praise with elation, praise ev'ry morning, God's recreation of the new day!

## 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.** 

# **SONG OF MERCY** Canticle of the Turning ELW 723

 My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great, and my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait. You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be about to turn?

Refrain

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn. Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.

- 2 Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me, and your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be. Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn. *Refrain*
- From the halls of pow'r to the fortress tow'r, not a stone will be left on stone.
  Let the king beware for your justice tears ev'ry tyrant from his throne.
  The hungry poor shall weep no more, for the food they can never earn; there are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed,

for the world is about to turn. Refrain

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

#### WORD

#### FIRST READING

1 Samuel 16:1-13

<sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." <sup>2</sup>Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' <sup>3</sup>Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." <sup>4</sup>Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" <sup>5</sup>He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

<sup>6</sup>When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is now before the LORD." <sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." <sup>8</sup>Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." <sup>9</sup>Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." <sup>10</sup>Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." <sup>11</sup>Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." <sup>12</sup>He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." <sup>13</sup>Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

The word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM**

Psalm 23

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want. <sup>2</sup>The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters. <sup>3</sup>You restore my soul, O LORD,

and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;

## for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

<sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

## SECOND READING

## Ephesians 5:8-14

<sup>8</sup>Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— $^{9}$ for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. <sup>10</sup>Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup>Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. <sup>12</sup>For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; <sup>13</sup>but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, <sup>14</sup>for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

"Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### Lord of All Hopefulness SCRIPTURE SONG ELW 765

- 1 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy: be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm: be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, vour peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

## GOSPEL

John 9:1-41 The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

As [Jesus] walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup>His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. <sup>4</sup>We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. <sup>5</sup>As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." <sup>6</sup>When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, <sup>7</sup>saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. <sup>8</sup>The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beq?" <sup>9</sup>Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." <sup>10</sup>But

they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" <sup>11</sup>He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." <sup>12</sup>They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

<sup>13</sup>They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. <sup>14</sup>Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. <sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." <sup>16</sup>Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. <sup>17</sup>So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

<sup>18</sup>The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight <sup>19</sup>and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" <sup>20</sup>His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; <sup>21</sup>but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." <sup>22</sup>His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. <sup>23</sup>Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

 $^{24}$ So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner."  $^{25}$ He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." <sup>26</sup>They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" <sup>27</sup>He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" <sup>28</sup>Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. <sup>29</sup>We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." <sup>30</sup>The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. <sup>31</sup>We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. <sup>32</sup>Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. <sup>33</sup>If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." <sup>34</sup>They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

<sup>35</sup>Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" <sup>36</sup>He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." <sup>37</sup>Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." <sup>38</sup>He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." <sup>40</sup>Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" <sup>41</sup>Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

Be Thou My Vision

The gospel of the Lord.

## Praise to you, O Christ.

## SERMON

## St. Patrick, Missionary to Ireland

## HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 793

ELW 517

- 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art: thou my best thought both by day and by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord. Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r, raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

**PROFESSION OF FAITH***I Bind unto Myself Today* by St. PatrickI bind unto myself the name, the strong name of the Trinityby invocation of the same, the Three in One and One in Three,of whom all nature has creation, eternal Father, Spirit, Word.Praise to the Lord of my salvation; salvation is of Christ the Lord!I bind this day to me forever, by pow'r of faith, Christ's incarnation,his baptism in the Jordan River, his cross of death for my salvation,his bursting from the spiced tomb, his riding up the heav'nly way,his coming at the day of doom, I bind unto myself today.

## PRAYER SONG Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

- 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**

#### MEAL

OFFE	RING PRAYER	WORDS OF INSTITUTION	LORD'S PRAYER	
сом	MUNION SONG	Be Thou My Vision	ELW 793	
3 Ri	Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,			
th	ou mine inheritance	now and always.		

thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, the first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art. 4 Light of my soul, after victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

#### SENDING

#### **SENDING SONG** The King of Love My Shepherd Is ELW 502

- 1 The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.
- 2 Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth and, where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.
- 3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.
- 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear Lord, beside me, thy rod and staff my comfort still; thy cross before to guide me.
- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; thine unction grace bestoweth; and, oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so, through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never. Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

## **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. May the Lord bless you, may the Lord keep you, May the Lord lift up his face to shine on you.

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

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**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Marylin Anderson, Anne Gelein, John Mueller, Tom Schneiberg, Faith Snyder, Mark Snyder, Barb Umholtz, Dorothy VanPykeren, Michael Warner. Those fighting addictions, people in crisis, deployed military and families, leaders, children, and Ukraine.

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#### **TODAY'S MINISTRY PARTICIPANTS**

Ushers	Mary Danielson, Barb Behan
Lector	Mick Peterson
Fellowship Servers	Dave & Linda Speidel, Mary Danielson, Barb Behan
Communion Assistants	Dave & Linda Speidel
Service Accompanist	Julie Swan
Digital Video	Marshall Hoff
Recorder	Kristy DuBois
Webmaster	Tom Schneiberg
Counters	Dave & Linda Speidel
Office Administrator	Marsha Bruner
Ministers	All Members

#### THIS WEEK AT LAKESIDE

Monday		No Yoga
Tuesday	3/21	Pastoral Candidate at the Church
Wednesday	3/22	10am Lenten Service
		No Yoga
Thursday	3/23	8am Men's Breakfast Fellowship @ JoMama's
		9am Women's Coffee Fellowship @ JoMama's
		12:30pm Gather Bible Study
Sunday	3/26	9am Sunday School and Confirmation
		10am Worship Service

#### Interim Pastor Lowell Bolstad: Cell Phone: 715-226-0163.

Email: <u>interimpastor1953@gmail.com</u> Pastor Hours: Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday.

#### Commemoration of Patrick, Missionary to Ireland, on March 19. St.

Patrick's Day is known for secular celebrations. Today we 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.

**Shepherding Group for April** convened by Ken and Linda Dobson to meet following the service today. Volunteers requested.

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 focused on the cross. The five mid-week services then focus on the Word, Trinity, Jesus, Holy Baptism, Holy Communion. Plan now to attend these services. **Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday on April 2.** This day, we encounter the paradox that defines our faith: Jesus Christ is glorified king and humiliated servant. We too are full of paradox: like Peter, we fervently desire to follow Christ, but find ourselves afraid, denying God. We wave palms in celebration today as Christ comes into our midst, and we follow with trepidation as his path leads to death on the cross. Amid it all we are invited into this paradoxical promise of life through Christ's broken body and outpoured love in a meal of bread and wine. We begin this week that stands at the center of the church year, anticipating the completion of God's astounding work.

## Maundy Thursday Service of Holy Communion on April 6 at 7pm

This evening our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. Tonight we remember Christ's last meal with his disciples, but the central focus is his commandment that we live out the promise embodied in this meal. As Jesus washed his disciples' feet, so we are called to give and receive love in humble service to one another. Formed into a new body in Christ through this holy meal, we are transformed by the mercy we have received and carry it into the world. Departing worship in solemn silence, we anticipate the coming days. <u>https://members.sundaysandseasons.com/Home/Index/2023-4-6</u>

**Good Friday Ecumenical Service on April 7 at 7pm.** Life and death stand side by side as we enter into Good Friday. In John's passion account, Jesus reveals the power and glory of God, even as he is put on trial and sentenced to death. Standing with the disciples at the foot of the cross, we pray for the whole world in the ancient bidding prayer, as Christ's death offers life to all. We gather in solemn devotion, but always with the promise that the tree around which we assemble is indeed a tree of life. https://members.sundaysandseasons.com/Home/Index/2023-4-7

**Orders are being taken for the annual Easter Flower Garden.** Forms are available in the narthex and on the website.

**Rest in Peace Lakeside Member Barbara St. Peter** 06-30-39 to 02-26-23. Funeral will be at Faith-Lilac Way Lutheran Church, 5530 N 42nd Ave, Robbinsdale, MN on Friday March 24 at 11am with visitation one hour prior. Prayers are requested for her husband Neil and the family.

**Vacation Bible School is planned for June 5-9**. Registration forms are available in the narthex or you can print off from our website. Please contact Kayla Margl-Chastek should you like to volunteer or have questions at 715-416-0472 or kaychastek@gmail.com

Wanted: Bookkeeper, Event Coordinator, Newsletter Editor, Choir Accompanist

## Important Call Team Update!

Our congregation has been given a wonderful opportunity! In a conversation with Mick Peterson this past week, our candidate indicated that they would be happy to do a "meet and greet" with members of the congregation during the on-site visit at Lakeside on Tuesday, March 21. We have maintained confidentiality up to this point, and now the candidate is giving us their permission for a more open conversation with church leadership and members. This is wonderful! At this time, we are planning to have a two-part meet and greet starting around 3pm with a small group from council, finance and committee chairs. Then from 4pm-5pm, a meet and greet with members of the congregation followed by an interview with the call team at 5pm. More details to follow as we finalize a busy 3 days with the candidate.

As we mentioned Sunday during service, this is a male candidate with a wife and 2 children. He was born and raised in Wisconsin and wants to get back to the north country of woods, trails, lakes and yes, the snow. Please mark your calendar and continue to offer prayers for a successful meet and greet for both the candidate and LCLC.

In the candidates "Rostered Minister Profile" akin to the church's "Ministry Site Profile" (MSP) for LCLC, he was asked to present his "Personal Ministry Statement". He wrote:

"I am passionate about welcome, God's faithfulness, innovation through experimentation, and God's love for all (humans & creation). I experience rest, renewal and faithfulness of God in Christian community, my various vocations, and while being outdoors. As Jesus' body we live into the radical, reconciling, inclusive love of Jesus for all." From your Call Team

**Offerings and Tithes** - These offerings first help to support local ministries, outreach and more. Your congregation then shares a portion of your offering mission support—with your synod and the churchwide expression. Stories of Faith in Action is filled with examples of how mission support enables us to do God's work with our hands. Many Christians talk about their regular contribution as a tithe. This helps them to differentiate between their financial commitment to their congregation and the special offerings they designate to specific causes. Such causes may include ELCA World Hunger, a program of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, your congregation's building fund or a pan-Lutheran organization such as Lutheran World Relief. We encourage your designated support of these worthy causes. But we also recommend that these offerings are given above and beyond, and never in place of, your commitment to your regular congregational offering. BIBLICAL GIVING Biblical Advice for Cheerful Givers

> Thank you for your participation in and support of the life and mission of this congregation.