



**REND YOUR
HEART**

CLAIMING THE PROMISE

Resurrection
LUTHERAN CHURCH



Written on the Heart

Jeremiah 31:31-34

- March 21, 2021 -

Sunday Morning Worship Schedule

10:00 am– Worship Service

WHAT TO EXPECT

- ◆ **We are asking you to wear face coverings.** All employees, members and visitors in attendance are asked to wear face coverings at all times in the building.
- ◆ **The double doors in the lower lot will be our only access point.**
- ◆ **There will be no sharing of the peace before service or receiving line after church to maximize social distancing.**
- ◆ **We will not be having fellowship time or Bible Study after service, to minimize risk and to clean the sanctuary after service.** Please join us on Wednesdays though for Zoom Bible Study at 10 am or 7 pm!
- ◆ **Please do not attend church or other church activities if you have a respiratory illness or feel like they are coming down with one for at least 14 days after your full recovery.** Family members should not attend either.
- ◆ **If you are high risk, consider not attending service.** We will continue to stream our worship services for those who cannot attend.
- ◆ **Offering collection: We will not be passing the collection plate during the offertory.** Please either drop your offering in the collection plates by the door or give online. Alternatively, you may mail a check to the church office.
- ◆ **Communion will be coming in prepackaged hosts and cups, of both wine and grape juice. We are planning on having communion only 2 times a month (1st and 3rd Sundays.)** Pastor will consecrate the communion elements during the service and we will commune together in the service at the designated time for communion. There will be a receptacle at the door for disposing the supplies upon leaving the sanctuary.
- ◆ **There will be an elder checking people in for service.** If an outbreak occurs, this information will allow us to have a way to contact individuals that may have been exposed which may be critical to help save lives.
- ◆ **When you pick up your service elements we will have a recommended temperature check.**
- ◆ **Remember to layer up as the windows will be open and the fans will be on to help with air circulation.**

**March 21, 2021
10:00 am Service**

PRELUDE

**“Tell Me the Story of Jesus”
and “Christ, the Life of All the Living”**

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

P: We worship in the name of the Father, Son, + and Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“Great is Thy Faithfulness” *LSB 809*

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!

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

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O God of our hearts, You yearn to be so close to us that we can know You in every breath, in every hope, in every relationship. Meet us here today and teach us to recognize the covenant of justice, peace and love You have written on our hearts. We pray that our desires become Your desires, our work become Your work, and our community the place where You are sought and found. In Jesus' name we pray.

C: Amen!

ORDER OF CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: O Author of Our Faith,

C: We become so focused on ourselves, we can overlook those around us who are searching for hope. We fill our spiritual emptiness with junk, rather than feasting on Your Word. O Father, in Your abundant mercy, forgive us. Open our eyes, that we may see Your new covenant written in plain sight on our hearts. Open our hearts, that we may join You in serving the broken of the world. Open our love, so we may pour it out as abundantly and graciously as Your love is given to us in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: "The time is coming, says our God, when all people shall know me, from the least of them to the greatest, for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sins no more." The Good News is that, that time is now! You are forgiven all your sins in the name of the Father, Son + and Holy Spirit!

C: Amen

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Psalm 119:9-16

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

INSTRUMENTAL HYMN

"Write On My Heart" – Richard Blake

GOSPEL READING

Gospel Reading: John 12:20-33

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SERMON HYMN

“O Christ, You Walked the Road” *LSB 424*

Tune: *Festal Song LBW 383* **“Rise Up, O Saints of God!”**

O Christ, You walked the road
Our wand'ring feet must go.
You faced with us temptation's pow'r
And fought our ancient foe.

No bread of earth alone
Can fill our hung'ring hearts.
Lord, help us seek Your living Word,
The food Your grace imparts.

No blinding sign we ask,
No wonder from above.
Lord, help us place our trust alone
In Your unswerving love.

When lures of easy gain
With promise brightly shine,
Lord, help us seek Your kingdom first;
Our wills with Yours align.

O Christ, You walked the road
Our wand'ring feet must go.
Stay with us through temptation's hour
To fight our ancient foe.

SERMON

Written on the Heart
Jeremiah 31:31-34
Pastor Matthew Mantey

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

*You can mail an offering or donate via the
"Give to RLC" button at resurrection-lcms.org*

PRAISE SONGS

"Good, Good Father"

I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper
Of love in the dead of night
You tell me that You're pleased
And that I'm never alone

Chorus

You're a Good Good Father
It's who You are
It's who You are
It's who You are
And I'm loved by You
It's who I am
It's who I am
It's who I am

I've seen many searching for answers
Far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers
Only You provide
Because You know just what we need
Before we say a word

Bridge

You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Love so undeniable I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
Into love love love

“The Wonderful Cross”

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride

See from His head His hands His feet
Sorrow and love flow mingled down
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
Or thorns compose so rich a crown

Chorus

O the wonderful cross
O the wonderful cross
Bids me come and die and find
That I may truly live
O the wonderful cross
O the wonderful cross
All who gather here by grace
Draw near and bless Your name

Were the whole realm of nature mine
That were an offering far too small
Love so amazing so divine
Demands my soul my life my all

PRAYERS & LORD'S PRAYER

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

(After each portion of the prayers)

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses
As we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION

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BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen!

CLOSING SONG

“Your Grace Is Enough”

Great is Your faithfulness oh God
You wrestle with the sinner’s heart
You lead us by still waters and to mercy
And nothing can keep us apart

Pre-Chorus

So remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise oh God

Chorus

Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me

Great is Your love and justice God
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along

Pre-Chorus

Chorus x2

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

Chorus 2

Your grace is enough
Heaven reaching down to us
Your grace is enough for me
Your grace is enough
I'm covered in your love
Your grace is enough for me
For me

POSTLUDE

“Joy in Your Journey” – *Robert W. Thygerson*



SERVING IN WORSHIP

Pastor:	Matthew Mantey
A/V Techs:	Alex Lindeke, Robin Thomas
Elder:	Jim Pagenkopf
Organist:	Karen Tiffany Burgess
Reader:	Robin Thomas
Worship Team:	Dale & Suzy Lindeke

In Our Prayers:

- **We pray O God that you would give both believers and those who don't know you yet a new heart with your love written on it.** Take away all our hearts of stone and give to all the only heart that can beat in us forever – the heart of your dear Son Jesus.
- **Put a new and wise heart within our earthly leaders, so they do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly before you.** Give to all of us a desire to help our neighbors, especially those who are struggling in these difficult times. Teach us to live together in peace.
- **Put a new and wise heart in people by sending your healing Spirit to mend relationships groups who find themselves in tension or turmoil.** We pray for mutual respect to grow between peoples who look at each other with suspicion and among people who have experienced painful histories with each other. Open our hearts and minds to those whose situations and concerns we don't understand and bring your gift of reconciliation to us all.
- **Put a new and trustful heart into all who cry to you for help; especially: those in our midst who are sick, in pain, and need your healing.** Give them the joy of your saving help; and give to all who care for them the comfort and guidance of your Holy Spirit.
- **We pray for the continuing ministry of the church in our neighborhoods and around the world.** As we prepare to celebrate Easter and Christ's Resurrection, help us all plan safely and creatively. Send your healing Spirit to raise our hearts and our hopes with the promise of new life in Christ. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain in us all a willing spirit.

Questions for Wednesday Zoom Bible Study

Written on the Heart

What is your fondest memory written on your heart?

Read Jeremiah 31:31-34. How is this new covenant that God will make different from the first? How is this new covenant similar to the first?

How is our covenant relationship with God both binding and freeing? See Matthew 10:39.

During Lent, we are reminded how far from living more fully into this covenant relationship we are as individuals and as a community of faith. We don't always act out of love for God and neighbor. We don't always act as those who have God's law written on our hearts. How might Lenten practices, such as denying ourselves certain luxuries, become acts of reminders of the abundant life we are called to live?

Read Luther's Evening Prayer. You can find it here: <https://catechism.cph.org/en/daily-prayers.html> and Pastor Matt will provide it during the study in the chat box. What insights do you gain from this prayer? How might praying all these different daily prayers become a helpful prayer practice?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's Coming Up-One Service at 10am Next Week!

As we come to the end of our series "Rend Your Hearts," we will claim the promises of the king who is coming! We will shout Hosanna in the Highest as we celebrate Palm Sunday! To do this we will actually look back to Psalm 118 and see how the Psalmist points to the one who comes and what he means for us today! Join us next Sunday by reservation in person or on Facebook @ <https://www.facebook.com/rlcdesmoineswa> at 10 am to celebrate along with us! Also we will have palms available for pick up here at the church during the week if you would like to wave along with us!

Next Quarters Portals of Prayer are Available!

Please pick up this great devotional tool as you are able to over the next few weeks. If you are shut-in and would like a copy please let the office know.

Zoom Bible Study This Week

Join us at either 10 am or 7pm for our last Lenten Zoom Bible Study this Wednesday. Following this we will take two weeks off to recharge our batteries for Easter!

Easter Flower Donations

The donations for Easter Flowers are due today! Please get any funds you would like to donate to Sara Andrew.

Holy Week Good Friday Service—April 2nd at 7 PM-Please RSVP

This service will combine the altar stripping of Maundy Thursday with the Tenebrae Good Friday Service. With not being able to have this service in person last year we look forward to seeing you for this powerful evening. Please RSVP for this service so we have an accurate count for logistical purposes.

Easter Sunday—April 4th at 8 or 10:30 AM-Please RSVP

We will celebrate Easter by starting a new series called, "Living the Resurrection." We will see that on Easter there no expression of joy that is over the top and no exercise of new life that can be shut down on Easter! Please RSVP for either the 8 or 10:30 am service so we have an accurate count for logistical purposes.

Opening Hands Opportunity—Collecting Food Donations for the Food Bank

To help support the Food Bank in multiple ways we have decided to do a collection now through April to help support those in need. Thank you so much for your support!

Most Needed Food Items

Healthy Options, Low Sodium Soup, Pasta, Canned Corn, Fruit Cups, Cereal, 100% Fruit Juice Boxes

Most Needed Non-Food Items

Paper Bags - Clean and Untorn, Toilet Paper, Diapers (Size 4, 5, 6), Soap, Laundry Detergent, Pet Food

Opening Hands Opportunity-CARDSTOCK 2 IS HERE!

Please grab some cards from the table in the lobby and write some cards to residents of senior living facilities in our community! Also, if you are out at the store and see a small pack of Easter Cards pick them up and we will distribute blank cards to our sister Joan at Solstice so residents can write cards to their loved ones.

Office Hours: By Appointment Monday-Thursday 9am-2pm
Email: secretary@resurrection-lcms.org