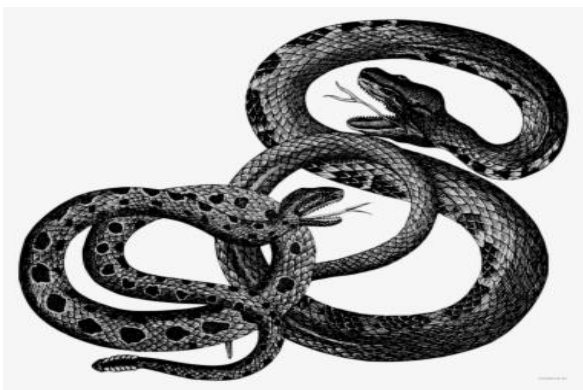


THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 14th, 2021
10:00 AM



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Missouri Synod



AS WE GATHER While "snake oil" was a traditional Chinese medicine used for joint pain, the term is usually employed as a derogatory one for fake or ineffective compounds advertised as medicine. "Snake oil salesmen" is a metaphor for exaggerated salesmen of questionable products. How strange that God would command Moses and the people to employ an image of the very thing (serpents) that was killing them. Yet this is the Gospel that the holy Son of God became sin itself: "For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God" Sometimes, because the sin that Christ came to take away still clings so closely, many people and even we ourselves may question the truth of the Gospel. As with the people of Moses' day we look to and trust in the mysterious cure that is Christ crucified.

Confession and Absolution – LSB Page 184

Stand - The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Service of the Word

Introit

Ps. 27:3–5; antiphon: Ps. 27:1

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear?*

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?

Though an army encamp against me, my heart | shall not fear;*

though war arise against me, yet I will be | confident.

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek | after:*

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his | temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of | trouble;*

he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high up- | on a rock.

Glorify be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear?*

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?

Kyrie, Salutation and Collect of the Day

Christ Lutheran School Students sing –

“The Lamb” LSB 547 VS. 1, 4-5

(the children are dismissed for Sunday School with Mrs. Sarah Timm and Ms. Bobbie Leiskau)

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." ⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Heb. 12:2

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,*

the founder and perfecter | of our faith,

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,*

and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

Epistle

Ephesians 2:1-10

¹And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— ³among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his

grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand -

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Holy Gospel

John 3:14–21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶[Jesus said:] “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. ²¹But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed – LSB Page 192

Sermon – “An Old Testament Preview – A New Testament Fulfillment”
John 3:14-17

Stand – **Offertory** – *LSB Page 192*

Stand - **Prayer of the Church**

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

Pastor: Since God so loved the world, may the entire Church of Jesus Christ reflect the same sacrificial love and clearly proclaim the Gospel of sins forgiven, that all who believe may have eternal life.

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Lord’s Prayer, Salutation, Benedicamus – *LSB Page 201*

Benediction

Sit - **Christ, the Life of All the Living**

LSB 420

Attendance last Sunday: 56
Officiant: Rev. Wayne Schwanke
Organist: Mary Reany
Elder: Ben Berg
Ushers:
Altar Guild: Karen Tesch

For an emergency, please contact...Rev. Brian Beardsley
#920-789-9252, pastor252015@gmail.com

THIS WEEK:

SUNDAY- March 14 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

- 8:45am Bible Study
- 10:00am Worship Service
- Sunday School/ Children Sing

TUESDAY, March 16

- 6:30pm Elder's meeting

WEDNESDAY- March 17

- 1:00pm Chapel

THURSDAY- March 18

- 6-7:00pm Confirmation Class

SUNDAY- March 21

- 8:45am Bible Study
- 10:00am Worship Service w/ Holy Communion

EASTER FLOWERS:

For all those who wish to donate Easter flowers in memory or honor of - you will find the forms on the table in the Church's Narthex. Tulip or Lily plants will be available again this year. We are also accepting monetary gifts for larger plants. You can leave the form in my church box; I'll be checking it often. If you wish to purchase your own plant and bring it to church, you may drop them off in the church basement. Please leave your name and form with the plant. Looking forward to decorating the church with all those beautiful plants. Susanne Utecht

EASTER FUN for children ages 3-16:

Please Join Emmaus Lutheran Church, N180 COUNTY ROAD A, WAUPACA, WI, 54981 on Saturday, March 27th for our **3rd Annual Easter Crafts and Egg Hunt**. Starting at 10 am ending with a raffle at 1 pm. Light lunch will be provided for anyone who stays. If anyone wants to volunteer to help or donate, please let Jennifer Hansen (920-573-3401) know. No RSVP is needed, and parents are welcome to attend!

The Board of Stewardship gratefully acknowledges the following memorial

gifts:

- Verona Lipke memorial gift of \$1000 designated toward fuel costs
- In memory of Gordon Handrich, \$500, toward the roofing project, given by Lavonne Handrich Everson.
- In memory of Bud Keller , \$500, Towards the roofing project, given by Carol and Marlyn Pufahl.

CHRIST LUTHERAN SCHOOL EASTER BASKETS:

Christ Lutheran School wanted to make it easier for you to get an Easter Basket to all the ones you love this year! Whether you leave it at someone's doorstep or give it to a child on Easter Morning, help us spread some Easter Joy and support our mission this year during COVID!

If you would like to order an Easter Basket, please see the sign-up sheet and Pictures in the Narthex. Easter Baskets are \$10 each. We will also be posting baskets on Christ Lutherans Facebook page. If you would like to place an order or have questions, please call Ms. Jennifer at #920-867-3263.

Thank you all for your support!

Elders Meeting on Tuesday, March 16th at 6:30pm

CONFIRMATION CLASS: Confirmation Class with Pastor Beardsley will be on Thursdays 6-7:00pm.

CALL COMMITTEE: We have formally signed the Dual Parish agreement with Emmaus Poy Sippi. If you are willing to serve on the call committee or have Pastors which you would like to call committee to consider, please contact Bob Boelter (920 407 1952) or Stacy Mundschau (867 2584). Thank you.

PASTORAL EXPECTATIONS: As part of the call process, the call committee is looking for your input into the traits and abilities you find important for our next pastor at CLC. Please take a few minutes to fill out the Pastoral Expectations sheet located on the table in the Narthex. There is also a print off explaining what each of the categories means if you have any questions. The results of the survey will be summarized and presented to the congregation within the next month. Completed copies can be placed in Stacy Mundschau's mailbox.

CELC Prayer List— CELC Prayer List— Saige Holcomb (healing); Megan Anderson (healing) Daughter of Jerry & Rene Dorsett; Baby Marsha Ellen Rene Anderson (Children's Hospital) Granddaughter of Jerry & Rene Dorsett; Fred Monroe (healing from surgery & health issues), Rene Dorsett's father; Tim Rohan (cancer), Sonny Bauer's son in law; Samuel Cartwright; Michael Felske, Carrie Ann Rohm's Father; Megan Morissey (healing) Goddaughter of Jim & Sue Boshers; Ron Lund (hospice) father of Jeremy & Ronnie Lund; Raymond Pagel (healing & strength).

In the Military: Kolden Baehman, Grandson of Jim & Mary Jane Baehman, in the Marines

Our Shut Ins: Kenneth Koehler, Mary Grambsch, Lisa Liepert, Stanley Behm, Lynnette Hannemann, Esther Nehring, Sam & Betty Cartwright, Karen Pagel

For those who mourn—that God would grant them comfort in their time of sorrow and encourage them with the hope of everlasting life with those whom they loved who have departed this life in faith, especially, the Buchholtz family as they mourn the recent death of Robert Buchholtz. Amen

The funeral service for **Robert W. Buchholtz** will be here Christ Lutheran Church, Weyauwega on Wednesday, March 17th at 11:00am. Visitation will be held at Lewin Funeral Home on Tuesday, March 16th from 4-7:00 pm and at Christ Lutheran Church Wednesday, March 17th from 10-11:00am. Committal will follow the service at Concordia Cemetery. All are welcome to Celebrate Roberts life at Pier 5 (710 Wolf River Dr. Fremont) following the service and Committal.

A Special Prayer: —The granddaughter of Jerry & Rene Dorsett, Baby Marsha Ellen Rene Anderson has been hospitalized at Children’s Hospital in Milwaukee. If anyone would like to send cards to Megan and Baby Marsha Anderson their home address is 2803 Diamond Lane Apt 13 Sheboygan WI 53081 or Marsha Anderson Children’s Hospital NICU 8915 W Connell Court Milwaukee, WI 53226

Please plan on joining the following churches for Lenten Services in the Area starting Wednesday, February 17, 2021.

***Christ Lutheran will be having a Maundy Thursday Service on Thursday, April 1st @ 7:15pm.**

Calvary Lutheran Church- Pastor Roehrborn
E1887 KING RD, WAUPACA, WI, 54981 **Thursdays, 6:00pm**

Emmaus Lutheran Church- Pastor Schilling
N180 COUNTY ROAD A, WAUPACA, WI, 54981
Wednesdays, 7:30pm Potluck Lenten Dinner starting at 6:45pm

Emmaus Lutheran Church- Pastor Beardsley
W2185 County H, Poy Sippi, WI, 54967, USA **Wednesdays, 6:00pm**

Saint Paul's Lutheran Church- Pastor Roehrborn
420 Park Ave, Wild Rose, WI, 54984 **Wednesdays, 6:00pm**