



# Lent

Good News  
from the  
Beginning:  
The Gospel  
in Genesis

**Midweek Lenten Worship IV**

*The Good News of a Savior*

*Who Gives Himself in Our Place*

**Genesis 22:1-18**

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**Wednesday, March 26, 2025**

**11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.**

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAMBURG**

**Thursday, March 27, 2025**

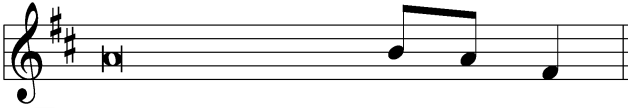
**6:30 p.m.**

**OPENING HYMN**

**“What Wondrous Love Is This”**

**LSB #543**

**P** O Lord, open my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.

**P** Make haste, O God, to deliver me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our sal - va - tion.

**Psalm 32 (read responsively)**

**P** <sup>1</sup>Blessèd is the one whose transgression is forgiven,  
whose sin is covered.

**C** <sup>2</sup>Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts  
no iniquity,  
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

**P** <sup>3</sup>For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away  
through my groaning all day long.

**C** <sup>4</sup>For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;  
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

**P** <sup>5</sup>I acknowledged my sin to you,  
and I did not cover my iniquity;  
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"  
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

**C** <sup>6</sup>**Therefore let everyone who is godly  
offer prayer to you at a time when you may be  
found;  
surely in the rush of great waters,  
they shall not reach him.**

**P** <sup>7</sup>You are a hiding place for me;  
you preserve me from trouble;  
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

**C** <sup>8</sup>**I will instruct you and teach you in the way you  
should go;  
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.**

**P** <sup>9</sup>Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding,  
which must be curbed with bit and bridle,  
or it will not stay near you.

**C** <sup>10</sup>**Many are the sorrows of the wicked,  
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in  
the LORD.**

**P** <sup>11</sup>Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous,  
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

**P** Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy  
Spirit.



**C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.

## RESPONSIVE HYMN "Create in Me"

LSB #956

**1** Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence;  
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation;  
and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

- P** Let Confess our sins unto the Lord. We Observe a moment for silent and private confessions of our sins before God Who knows and searches our hearts.

*(Silent Confession)*

- C** **Forgive my sins, O Lord—Forgive me the sins of my present and the sins of my past, the sins I have done to please myself and the sins I have done to please others. Forgive me my wanton and idle sins; forgive me my serious and deliberate sins, forgive me those sins which I know and those sins which I know not; forgive me the sins which I have labored so to hide from others that I have hid them from my own memory. Forgive them, O Lord; forgive them all. Of Your great mercy let me be absolved, and of Your bountiful goodness, let me be delivered from the bonds of all that by my frailty I have committed Grant this, O heavenly Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord and Savior. Amen**

- P** Beloved in Christ, our Lord Jesus shed His almighty blood of each and every sin in our life. I, as called and ordained servant of Christ Jesus, forgive all your sins, in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

- C** **Amen! I praise You Almighty Father, Son, and Holy Spirit for the Almighty Gift of Your forgiveness and Salvation. Now dear Lord, strengthen me anew to live my life in sincere repentance and walk according to Your Holy Word, in Jesus Name. Amen!**

## READING

**Genesis 22:1-18**

- P** A reading from Genesis, chapter 22.

<sup>1</sup>After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." <sup>2</sup>He said, "Take your

son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.”<sup>3</sup> So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him.<sup>4</sup> On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar.<sup>5</sup> Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you.”<sup>6</sup> And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together.<sup>7</sup> And Isaac said to his father Abraham, “My father!” And he said, “Here am I, my son.” He said, “Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?”<sup>8</sup> Abraham said, “God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So they went both of them together.

<sup>9</sup>When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood.<sup>10</sup> Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son.<sup>11</sup> But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here am I.”<sup>12</sup> He said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.”<sup>13</sup> And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son.<sup>14</sup> So Abraham called the name of that place, “The LORD will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.”

<sup>15</sup>And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven<sup>16</sup> and said, “By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son,<sup>17</sup> I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall

possess the gate of his enemies, <sup>18</sup>and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice.”

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**READING**

**John 3:16-17**

**P** A reading from John, chapter 3.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**SERMON HYMN**

*“The Lamb”*

**LSB #547**

**SERMON**

**OFFERING**

**PRAYER**

**KYRIE**



**C** Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

**LORD’S PRAYER**

**C** 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.**

## **BENEDICTION**

**P** The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** Amen.

## **CLOSING HYMN**

***“There Is A Redeemer”***

**LSB #971**

## **CLOSING PRAYER**

***“Abide with Me”***

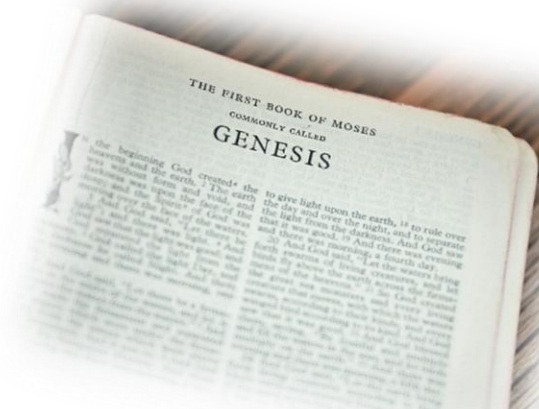
**LSB #878 vs. 6**

**6 Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.  
Heav’n’s morning breaks, and earth’s vain shadows  
flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.**

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## MIDWEEK LENTEN 5

April 2-3

*"The Good News of a Savior  
Who Unites Heaven and  
Earth"*

Genesis 28:10-22