

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
March 9, 2025, 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.
Pastor Christian Magnell

WELCOME AND GREETING

HYMN *“Come Thou Fount”*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Lord God, we worship you on this new day,

and ask for Your Spirit to guide our worship.

You tell us that if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

Yet, if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Help us this morning to consider our brokenness, our sin, and our shame. *(time for reflection)*

Let's pray together:

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S SERMON *“The Stain of Sin”*

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHOIRS (10:30) *“We Are Marching”*

HYMN *“Raise A Hallelujah”*

READING: Psalm 51:1-6

Written after being caught in adultery with Bathsheba, and for murdering her husband, David cries out to God for mercy.

¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. ²

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! ³ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. ⁴

Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. ⁵ Behold, I was brought forth in

iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me. ⁶ Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

SECOND READING: 1 John 1:5-10

God forgives. It's as simple as that. But we have to be careful that we don't think we're without sin; instead, we lay it at the foot of the cross in honesty.

⁵ This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us

from all sin. ⁸ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

God is good.

All the time.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 4:12-17

It's simple, but easier said than done: Repent.

¹² Now when he heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. ¹³ And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴ so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵ "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the

Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— ¹⁶ the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned."

¹⁷ From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION All the time.

God is good!

HYMN

"Way Maker"

SERMON – "Prayers of the Bible – David's Prayer of Repentance"

PRAYER AT RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION *"O Come to the Altar"*

PRAYER & BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

And now may the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace!

Amen!

CLOSING SONG *“All the People Said Amen”*

DISMISSAL

Let's go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

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Sermon Notes – March 9th, 2025

“David’s Prayer of Repentance”

Christians _____ their sins – 1 John 1:5-10

In worship, to each other, in personal prayer (A.C.T.S – Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication)

Both _____ and _____ sins – consider David in Psalm 51 and 2 Samuel 12:1-7

Sometimes we know our sins. Other times we do not, and confession should include both types.

Jesus is the Kingdom. We _____ and we receive _____ of sin. - Matthew 4:17

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