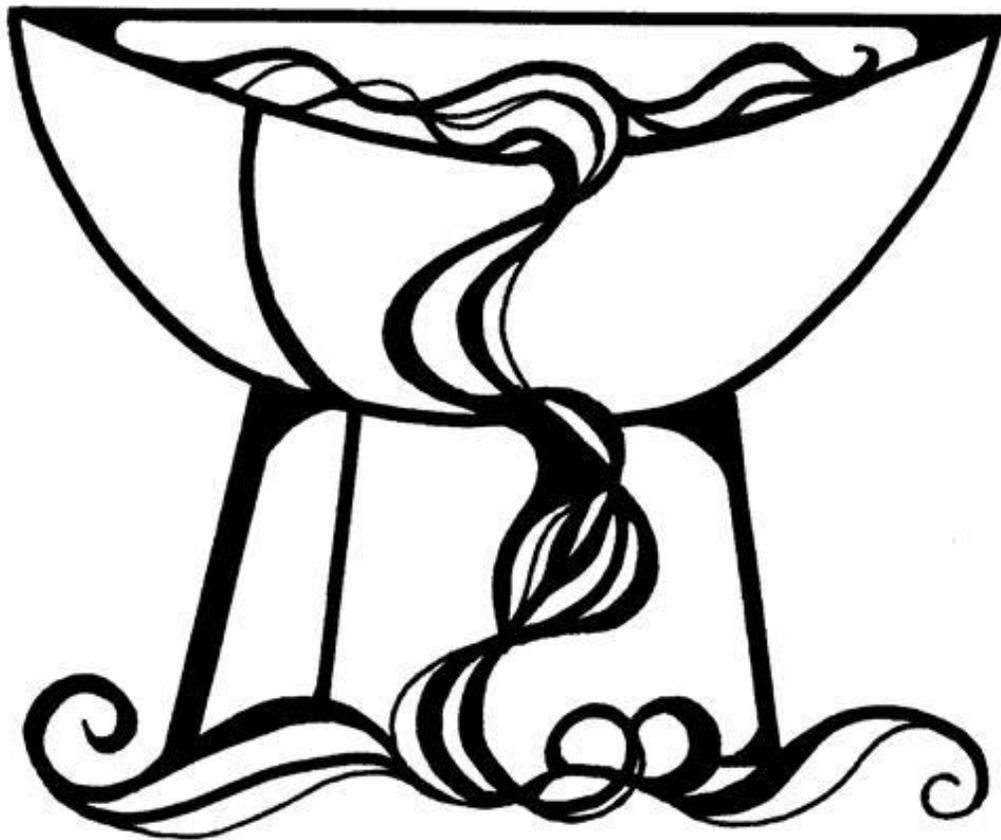


Third Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2026



Gethsemane Lutheran Church

3600 Hampton - St. Louis, MO 63109

Worship God, welcome all to nurture a community of harmony, healing, and justice.

Welcome to worship! We're delighted you are here!



Gethsemane Lutheran Church is a *Reconciling in Christ* Congregation. **You are welcome here.**



We ask all members, guests, and visitors to please fill out the **attendance slip** in your worship folder and place it in the offering plate.



Please **silence** phones and other devices during the worship service. Sharing that you're at Gethsemane on social media is encouraged! "Check in" using hashtag: #glcstlCheckIn.



The presence, energy, and noise of **children** are always welcome in worship at Gethsemane. The sound of a child in worship is music to our ears. We welcome and encourage kids to move and play. Additional space to move and Wiggle Bags are located in the narthex entry area.



Postures are a way in which we engage the body in worship. These movements (sitting, standing, making the sign of the cross) are optional; please engage in them only as you are comfortable or able.



Holy Communion is offered to all who seek the presence of Christ. This is a welcome table.



Gethsemane Lutheran Church wishes to **acknowledge** and **honor** the Osage, Quapaw, Myaamia, Ojibwe, Kaskaskia, and Kickapoo peoples upon whose ancestral homelands we gather for worship, as well as all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to care for this place—this land—and call it their home.

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ELW Holy Communion Setting Ten

In today's gospel the Samaritan woman asks Jesus for water, an image of our thirst for God. Jesus offers living water, a sign of God's grace flowing from the waters of baptism. The early church used this gospel and those of the next two Sundays to deepen baptismal reflection during the final days of preparation before baptism at Easter. As we journey to the resurrection feast, Christ comes among us in word, bath, and meal—offering us the life-giving water of God's mercy and forgiveness.

GATHERING

PRELUDE: *Variations on Jesu, Meine Freude* By Johann Cruger, Arr. by Amy Crousore

This Sunday's prelude is a special arrangement created by **Amy Crousore** as a gift in 1991, honoring her father and his love for this hymn. The piece unfolds in four distinct variations, each offering a unique musical perspective. The **first variation** places the melody in the pedal line. The **second variation** brightens the traditionally minor tune by setting it in a major mode, moving through three key signatures before concluding with a Picardy third. The **third variation** is a bicinium, combining two melodies—one of which is *If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee*—in contrapuntal interplay. The **fourth variation** presents a lively trio in 6/8, featuring independent lines for both hands and feet. Together, these movements form this Sunday's prelude.

The congregation may stand as comfortable.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For failing to recognize your coming reign, and for hindering the work of the Spirit: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition, and for disdaining the living water Christ offers: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For disregarding voices from the margin, and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent, and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound. Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts, and gives you life and peace.

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG: *Jesus Priceless Treasure*

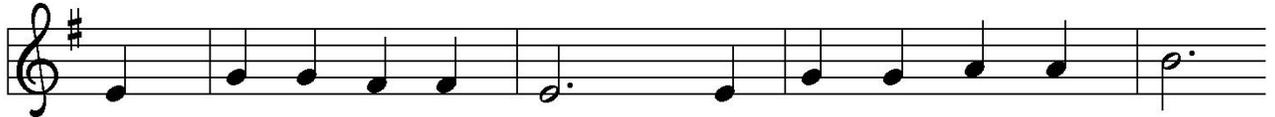
HYMN# 775

GREETING:

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

C: And also with you.

KYRIE



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM: Let us pray. Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The congregation is seated.

WORD

THE FIRST READING: EXODUS 17:1-7

Because the thirsty Israelites quarreled with Moses and put God to the test, Moses cried out in desperation to God. God commanded Moses to strike the rock to provide water for the people. The doubt-filled question—“Is the LORD among us or not?”—received a very positive answer.

¹ From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ² The people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?” ³ But the people thirsted there for water, and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” ⁴ So Moses cried out to the LORD, “What shall I do for this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” ⁵ The LORD said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile and go. ⁶ I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷ He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

Word of God, word of life
Thanks be to God.

PSALM: PSALM 95

A cantor will lead the singing of the Psalm with the congregation singing the bolded lines.

- ¹ Come, let us sing [|] to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the rock of [|] our salvation.
- ² **Let us come before God’s presence [|] with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to the [|] Lord with psalms.**
- ³ For you, Lord, [|] are a great God,
and a great ruler a- [|]bove all gods.
- ⁴ **In your hand are the caverns [|] of the earth;
the heights of the hills are [|] also yours.**
- ⁵ The sea is yours, [|] for you made it,
and your hands have molded [|] the dry land.
- ⁶ **Come, let us worship [|] and bow down,
let us kneel before the [|] Lord our maker.**

⁷ For the Lord is our God, and we are the people of God’s pasture and the sheep [|] of God’s hand.

Oh, that today you would | hear God’s voice!

⁸ **“Harden | not your hearts,
as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah | in the desert.**

⁹ There your ancestors | tested me,
they put me to the test, though they had | seen my works.

¹⁰ **Forty years I loathed that gener- | ation, saying,
‘The heart of this people goes astray; they do not | know my ways.’**

¹¹ Indeed I swore | in my anger,
‘They shall never come | to my rest.’”

SECOND READING: ROMANS 5:1-11

In Though we often hear that God helps those who help themselves, here Paul tells us that through Jesus’ death God helps utterly helpless sinners. Since we who had been enemies are reconciled to God in the cross, we now live in hope for our final salvation.

¹ Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸ But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹ Much more surely, therefore, since we have now been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ¹¹ But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Word of God, word of life

Thanks be to God.

The congregation may stand as comfortable.

LENTEN VERSE



We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind -



slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 4th chapter:
Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: JOHN 4:5-42

Jesus defies convention to engage a Samaritan woman in conversation. Her testimony, in turn, leads many others to faith.

⁵ [Jesus] came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph.⁶ Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

⁷ A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."⁸ (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.)⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.)¹⁰ Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."¹¹ The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?"¹² Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?"¹³ Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again,¹⁴ but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life."¹⁵ The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back."¹⁷ The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband,'¹⁸ for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!"¹⁹ The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet."²⁰ Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem."²¹ Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem."²² You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews."²³ But the hour is coming and is now here when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him."²⁴ God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."²⁵ The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us."²⁶ Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

²⁷ Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?"²⁸ Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people,²⁹ "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?"³⁰ They left the city and were on their way to him.

³¹ Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something."³² But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about."³³ So the disciples said to one another, "Surely

no one has brought him something to eat?”³⁴ Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work.”³⁵ Do you not say, ‘Four months more, then comes the harvest’? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting.³⁶ The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together.³⁷ For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’³⁸ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor.”

³⁹ Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I have ever done.”⁴⁰ So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days.⁴¹ And many more believed because of his word.⁴² They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation is seated.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

The congregation may stand as comfortable.

HYMN OF THE DAY *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

HYMN# 332

THE APOSTLE’S CREED

P: Let us join together in proclaiming our faith:

C: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

AM: Let us pray. Reconciled by God’s mercy and sustained by God’s presence, let us pray for the world and its needs.

(A brief silence.)

AM: . . . Hear us, O God,

C: **Your mercy is great.**

P: Receive our prayers, O God, through Jesus Christ, our strength and salvation.

C: **Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always!

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us greet one another with a sign of this spirit-filled peace, respecting the boundaries and honoring the consent of our neighbors.

*The ministers and congregation may greet one another with a gesture of peace, using these or similar words: **Peace be with you.***

The congregation is seated.

MEAL

THE OFFERING: *The Offering is received as the Lord's table is prepared.*

MUSICAL OFFERING: *The Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

by W. Walker

The congregation rises in body or spirit.

OFFERING PRAYER

AM: O God, maker of heaven and earth, your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us into the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work. We ask this in Jesus' name.

C: **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

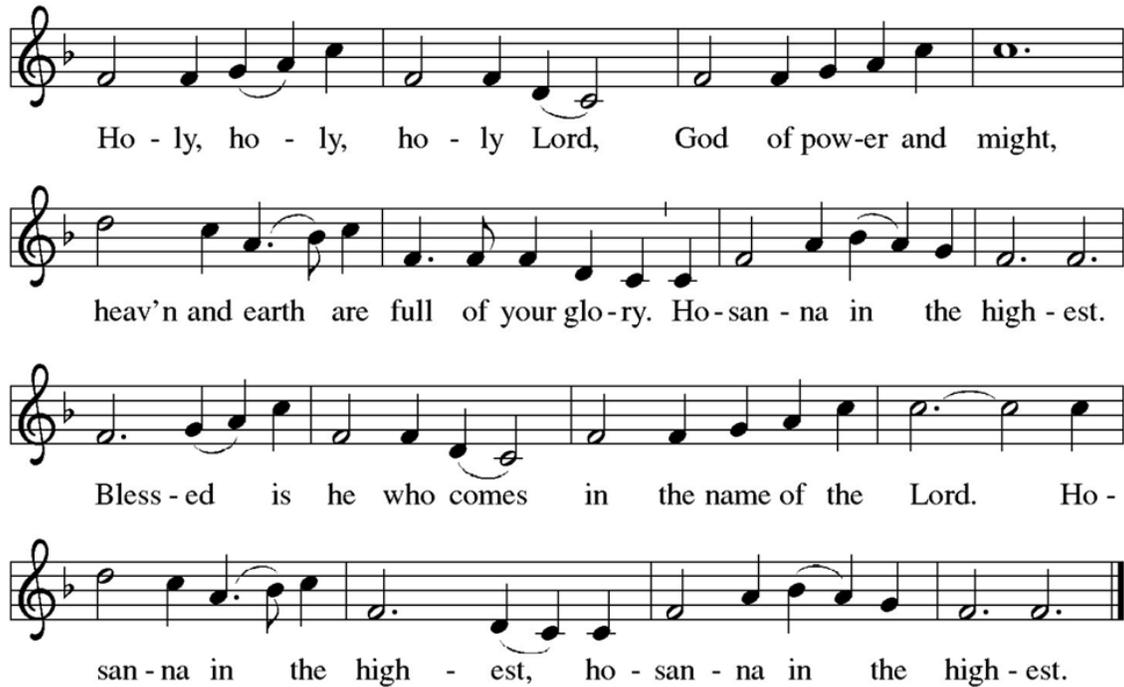
P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

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.**

COMMUNION

P: Come to the table. Feast on God's goodness and mercy.

The congregation is seated.

All who seek the Lord are welcome at Christ's table to receive the gift of God's grace! Those not receiving the bread and wine are welcome to come for a blessing. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers.

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION:

Lamb of God



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Baptized in Water

HYMN# 456

This Is the Spirit's Entry Now

HYMN# 448

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen

The congregation may stand as comfortable.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

AM: Let us pray. God of our salvation, we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey. Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

After making this time to worship God, these are ways we welcome all to nurture a community of harmony, healing, and justice.

The congregation may stand as comfortable.

BLESSING

P: Receive the blessing of the holy Trinity: God, who calls all things into existence, Jesus Christ, who redeems us, and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation, † bless you now and always.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN: *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

HYMN# 623

DISMISSAL

AM: Go in peace. Believe the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: *Praise to the Lord, The Almighty*

By Johann Gottfried Walther

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(No flowers during Lent.)

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PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Neil Gustafson:** healing
- Kate Hartz:** courage and trust
- Barb Johnson:** healing and strength
- Fred Lenhart:** hospitalized
- Margaret Lenhart:** comfort and peace
- Marilyn McGuire:** healing from cancer
- Dell Roth:** healing and strength
- Sharon Salerno:** healing and strength

Request for:	<i>On Behalf of:</i>
Lisa M. (healing); Pam M (healing)	<i>Jean Chouquette</i>
My sister-in-law, Chris Austin, who is recovering from shoulder surgery	<i>Suzanne Hirth</i>
Gretchen's Aunt Arlis and Uncle Greg (peace and understanding); Bonus Mom Pat (health); Sister Gillian (perseverance as she is in the home stretch of her Master's degree.)	<i>Gretchen Jenson</i>
Tyla and Karis (healing), Ethan (wisdom), Melissa (employment); Dad (successful treatment); Bridgette (healing after surgery);	<i>Cat Leonard</i>
Uncle John, as he undergoes cancer treatment	<i>Penny Family</i>
Friend Kim (strength and courage with health issues.)	<i>Carleen Reinhart</i>
Dear friend's grandson, Jack (6 years old), facing cancer surgery	<i>Mary Scanlan</i>

The people of Gaza and the Occupied Territories of Palestine, Lebanon, Syria, Ukraine, Sudan, Myanmar, Cambodia and Venezuela; Pat Fulton (healing, strength); Ginny Olson (strength and healing); Sister Marie Orf; Jojo (encouragement); those who do not feel safe in their communities; all impacted by disasters; for peace with justice in our world.	<i>Maryn Olson and Angie Fulton</i>
Dear friend's grandson, Jack (6 years old), facing cancer surgery	<i>Mary Scanlan</i>

LIVING YOUR FAITH

GIVE

Little Free Pantry Items needed include **cereal** and **canned vegetables**. We are also collecting small condiment packages and/or utensil packs. Clean out your drawers!

The March Big Ask for Isaiah 58 and St. Anthony's is shampoo, razors and shaving cream. Place donation items in the cabinet located in the hallway leading to the Narthex.

Easter Flowers Order Form: Help us decorate the altar for Easter by sponsoring spring flowers! Each flowering plant is \$20. (Available options are a random selection of: begonia, kalanchoe, Gerber daisies, or tulips. We cannot guarantee which flowering plant you will receive.) All forms, paper or online, must be complete by Palm Sunday, March 29.

ACT

Volunteer! The Social Action Team is organizing a **Food Drive** for the Little Free Pantry at Schnucks on Hampton and Chippewa on **Saturday, March 21**. Help is needed to ask shoppers for donations as they enter the store, and periodically shuttle collected groceries back to church in your vehicle. Sign up in the enews, the website or contact Leah Morrell.

Spring Church Clean-up Day! Coming up Sat, March 28, 9 am – 2 pm. Mark your calendars. Many hands make light work.

Spread kindness! Blessing bags are in the Narthex - take and share with those in need.

Share your voice! Send April newsletter items to Gretchen by March 24.

JOIN

There will be a light salad supper between Worship and Choir Practice (6-6:30 pm) this Wednesday, March 11. If you would like to host an upcoming Wednesday, please contact the office! There is no time for clean-up, so bring your own "mess kit" or wash your own dishes.

The next GLC **Women's Luncheon** will be held, Monday, March 23 at 11:30 am at the Three Kings Public House in Ronnie's Plaza. RSVP on the website or contact Angie Fulton.

Sign-ups for **Vacation Bible School** are on Gethsemane's website and in the weekly eNews! We need volunteers and campers! July 6-10, 9 am-5 pm or 9 am-12:30 pm.

CONGRATULATIONS

Chili – 1st Gretchen Jenson, 2nd Simone Richardson, 3rd Alfred Gorvie

Cookies – 1st Gretchen Jenson, 2nd James Forsythe, 3rd Chris Schmidt

Gethsemane Lutheran Church Calendar
March 8 – 15, 2026

3/8/26 Sunday DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS	8:30 am 9:45 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 1 – 3 pm	Worship: In-Person and Livestream Fellowship hour Sunday School / Confirmation Worship: In-Person Confirmation Class at Christ Lutheran–Webster Groves
3/9/26 Monday	6:00 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
3/10/26 Tuesday	10 am	Bible Study
3/11/26 Wed.	1:30–2:30 pm 5:30 pm 6:00 pm 6:30 pm	Office Staff Meeting (phones unanswered) Midweek Lenten Worship – Holden Evening Prayer Light supper in the fellowship hall – Bring your own “mess kit” or do your own dishes Choir Rehearsal
3/15/26 Sunday	8:30 am 9:45 am 10:00 am 11:00 am Noon	Worship: In-Person and Livestream Fellowship hour Sunday School / Confirmation Worship: In-Person Worship and Music Committee meeting in Conf. Room

Upcoming Dates to Consider

Date	Time	Event
Mondays	6:00 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
Tuesdays	10:00 am	Bible Study
Wednesdays	5:30 – 6 pm 6-6:30 pm 6:30 – 8 pm	Lent Midweek Worship, Holden Evening Prayer Simple supper and fellowship (if host available) Choir Rehearsal
Sun, Mar 15	Between Services	Social Action Committee
Sat, Mar 21	10 am – 6 pm	Food Drive at Schnucks for the Little Free Pantry
Mon, Mar 23	11:30 am	Women’s Luncheon at Three Kings Public House
Tues, Mar 24	6:30 pm	Church Council Meeting
Sat, Mar 28	9 am-2 pm	Spring Church Clean Up Day, All hands needed!
Th, F, Apr 2,3	7 pm	Maundy Thursday, Good Friday Worship
Sun, April 5	8:30 and 11 am	Easter Sunday, Easter Breakfast between services

Blood Pressure (BP): First Sunday of each month in the fellowship hall.
Women’s Luncheon: Fourth Monday of every month. *Except for Holidays.

Gethsemane is a Reconciling in Christ Congregation Affirmation of Welcome

Christ's welcome knows no boundaries! Therefore, our welcome knows no boundaries, and we invite all people to full participation in the life of the congregation.

We at Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Saint Louis embrace...

People of any race or ethnicity...

People who are male, female, transgender, intersex or any other gender identity...

People of any age...

People wherever they are, or wherever they have been, on their faith journeys...

People who are single, married, widowed, divorced, separated or partnered...

People who are gay, lesbian, straight, bisexual, or any other sexual orientation...

People with a variety of political perspectives...

People who have, or had, addictions, phobias, abortions, or a criminal record...

People who are homeowners, renters, living with parents, or homeless...

People who are fully-abled, disabled, or of differing abilities...

People of differing educational backgrounds...

People of any socio-economic condition...

People not mentioned above, all of whom are created and loved by God!

As we celebrate and seek to preserve the beautiful, amazing diversity of God's creation, we pledge to ourselves and to all others that we will strive to live as a reconciling people in our life together and in our outreach to the world. We are committed to being a radically loving and welcoming community of faith.

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