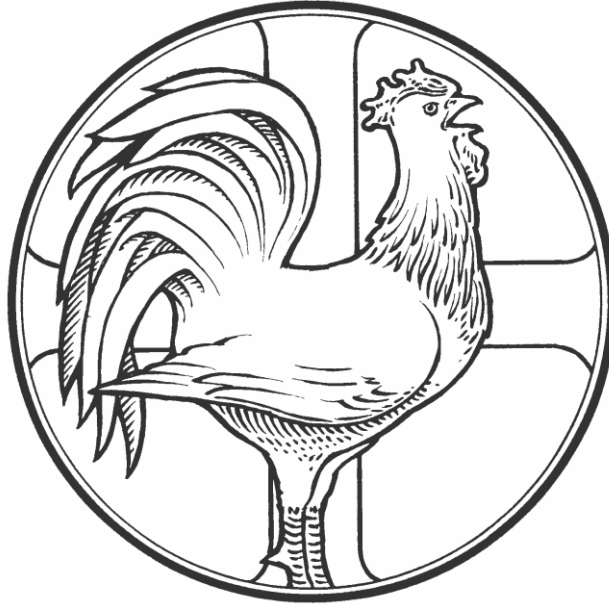


**Lenten Midweek 3 (March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025)  
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## Opening Hymn: 616 Baptismal Waters Cover Me

*Stand*

- L** O Lord, open my lips,  
**C** and my mouth will declare Your praise.  
**L** Make haste, O God, to deliver me;  
**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.  
**C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.  
Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.

## Psalm 130

- <sup>1</sup>Out of the depths  
I cry to you, O LORD!  
<sup>2</sup>**O Lord, hear my voice!**  
**Let your ears be attentive**  
**to the voice of my pleas for mercy!**  
<sup>3</sup>If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,  
O Lord, who could stand?  
<sup>4</sup>**But with you there is forgiveness,**  
**that you may be feared.**  
<sup>5</sup>I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,  
and in his word I hope;  
<sup>6</sup>**my soul waits for the Lord**  
**more than watchmen for the morning,**  
**more than watchmen for the morning.**  
<sup>7</sup>O Israel, hope in the LORD!  
For with the LORD there is steadfast love,  
and with him is plentiful redemption.  
<sup>8</sup>**And he will redeem Israel**  
**from all his iniquities.**

*Sit*

## Office Hymn: 861 Christ Be My Leader

### First Reading

*Ezekiel 33:7–11*

- <sup>7</sup>“So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. <sup>8</sup>If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. <sup>9</sup>But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.  
<sup>10</sup>“And you, son of man, say to the house of Israel, Thus have you said: ‘Surely our transgressions and our sins are upon us, and we rot away because of them. How then can we live?’ <sup>11</sup>Say to them, As I live, declares the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the

wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Second Reading

*2 Corinthians 5:18–21*

<sup>18</sup>All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; <sup>19</sup>that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

<sup>20</sup>Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Responsory

*LSB 231*

**L** Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

**C** Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

**L** In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.

**C** Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

**L** Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

**C** Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

## Hymn of the Day: 609 Jesus Sinners Doth Receive

### Sermon

*Stand*

**L** Let my prayer rise before You as incense,

**C** and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

## The Magnificat: 934 My Soul Now Magnifies the Lord

*Sit*

### Offering

*Kneel/Stand*

### Kyrie

*LSB 233*

**C** Lord, have mercy;  
Christ, have mercy;  
Lord, have mercy.

## 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.

## Collects

**L** O Lord, hear my prayer.  
**C** And let my cry come to You.

## Collect of the Day

**P** O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## The Litany

**L** O Lord,  
**C** have mercy.  
**L** O Christ,  
**C** have mercy.  
**L** O Lord,  
**C** have mercy.  
**L** O Christ,  
**C** hear us.  
**L** God the Father in heaven,  
**C** have mercy.  
**L** God the Son, Redeemer of the world,  
**C** have mercy.  
**L** God the Holy Spirit,  
**C** have mercy.  
**L** Be gracious to us.  
**C** Spare us, good Lord.

**L** Be gracious to us.

**C** **Help us, good Lord.**

**L** From all sin, from all error, from all evil;  
From the crafts and assaults of the devil; from sudden and evil death;  
From pestilence and famine; from war and bloodshed; from sedition and from rebellion;  
From lightning and tempest; from all calamity by fire and water; and from everlasting death:

**C** **Good Lord, deliver us.**

**L** By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity;  
By Your baptism, fasting, and temptation; by Your agony and bloody sweat; by Your cross and passion; by Your precious death and burial;  
By Your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:

**C** **Help us, good Lord.**

**L** In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of judgment:

**C** **Help us, good Lord.**

**L** We poor sinners implore You

**C** **to hear us, O Lord.**

**L** To rule and govern Your holy Christian Church; to preserve all pastors and ministers of Your Church in the true knowledge and understanding of Your wholesome Word and to sustain them in holy living;  
To put an end to all schisms and causes of offense; to bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived;  
To beat down Satan under our feet; to send faithful laborers into Your harvest; and to accompany Your Word with Your grace and Spirit:

**C** **We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**

**L** To raise those who fall and to strengthen those who stand; and to comfort and help the weakhearted and the distressed:

**C** **We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**

**L** To give to all peoples concord and peace; to preserve our land from discord and strife; to give our country Your protection in every time of need;  
To direct and defend our president and all in authority; to bless and protect our magistrates and all our people;  
To watch over and help all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation; to protect and guide all who travel;  
To grant all women with child, and all mothers with infant children, increasing happiness in their blessings; to defend all orphans and widows and provide for them;  
To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young children; to free those in bondage; and to have mercy on us all:

**C** **We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**

**L** To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers and to turn their hearts; to give and preserve for our use the kindly fruits of the earth; and graciously to hear our prayers:

**C** We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

**L** Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

**C** we implore You to hear us.

**L** Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

**C** have mercy.

**L** Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

**C** have mercy.

**L** Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

**C** grant us Your peace.

**L** O Christ,

**C** hear us.

**L** O Lord,

**C** have mercy.

**L** O Christ,

**C** have mercy.

**L** O Lord,

**C** have mercy. Amen.

### Collect for Peace

**L** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### Benedicamus

*LSB 234*

**L** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Benediction

*LSB 234*

**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.

### Hymn to Depart: 918 Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer

#### In His Service Today:

**Preacher:** The Rev. Leonard Tanksley

**Organist:** Mrs. Kris Bischoff

**Deacons:** Joe Werling (Head), Dan DeLong, Mitch Billington, Nathan Scherer

**Elders:** Fred D. Fuelling (Head), Steve Fuelling, Matt Braun, Rodney Busick

## Announcements

Do you have an announcement that you would like to be included in the Sunday bulletin? If yes, all you need to do is let Amber Shaffer know by 7:00pm on Thursdays. I can be reached by either phone call or text message at 260-223-9897, or email splchurchsec@gmail.com. Thank you!

**Easter Flowers:** The order form is an insert in the bulletin. Please note that orders need to be turned into **The Grainery** by April 7<sup>th</sup>. Thank you

**SEMINARY FOOD CO-OP THEME for MARCH - "DINNER":** During the month of March we will be collecting items for "Dinner". Items will be delivered to the Seminary the first of April. Some suggestions are but not limited to: Spaghetti & Alfredo sauce, pasta, noodles, canned meat & fruits, sloppy joe sauce, canned tomatoes, boxed meals, rice, macaroni & cheese, taco meals, chili mixes & beans. Other items that are always in demand are breakfast cereal (excluding Chex) & tomato products. All your donations are greatly appreciated by the Seminary & are a great benefit to the students and their families. Items can be placed in the gray and white bag at Church. **Thank you for all your donations.**

**Accepting Bids:** The SPI Trustees will be accepting bids for the groundskeeping duties of the school grounds for the spring, summer and fall of 2025. The SPI Trustees will be accepting bids for the custodian position for the 2025-2026 school year. If you are interested, please contact one of the trustees for the job description for either of these positions, (SP) Ben Franz, (I) Ralph Thieme, or the school office. Sealed bids are due to the trustees by Sunday, April 13, 2025.

**Save the Date:** SPI will be having another Rummage Sale this year, Friday June 6<sup>th</sup> & Saturday June 7<sup>th</sup> with proceeds going towards redoing the gym floor . As spring cleaning begins please keep the SPI Rummage Sale in mind to donate your gently used clothing, shoes, household, toys, and books to. Now accepting donations at either church or school.

**Spring Rummage Sale** at St John Lutheran Church Flatrock gym, 12912 Franke Rd Monroeville, IN on Friday, April 11th 8am-5pm and Saturday, April 12th 8am-noon. Bag sale on Saturday.

**St. Rose- Monroeville, Indiana:** Spring Rummage Sale is Thursday April 3<sup>rd</sup> 8:00am-7:00pm and Friday April 4<sup>th</sup> 8:00am-5:00pm. Bag sale all day on Friday. Located at the Parrish Hall 209 Mulberry St. Monroeville, IN 46773.

**Emmanuel Ev. Lutheran Church- Soest:** Spring Rummage Sale & Bake sale is Thursday April 24<sup>th</sup> 10:00am-6:00pm and Friday April 25<sup>th</sup> 9:00am-NOON. Bag sale on Friday. Always a huge selection at great prices!

On Palm Sunday, March 28, 1920, an estimated F4 tornado traveled from Ossian, Indiana to Edgerton on the Indiana-Ohio state line, killing 13 and causing millions of dollars of damage to houses and farmsteads in its path. The village of Townley, north of Monroeville, was completely destroyed. Many of those affected by the tornado were German Lutherans. To mark its 105th

anniversary, the Friends of Wyneken will retell the story of the twister and its aftermath with a presentation on Sunday, March 30 at 2 pm. The presentation will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 6514 E 750 N, Ossian, Indiana. All are welcome to attend.

## **Please Join Us for these Upcoming Worship Services**

**Wednesday April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025**

Soup Supper begins at 5:30pm  
Midweek Lenten Service at 7:00pm

**Wednesday April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

Soup Supper begins at 5:30pm  
Midweek Lenten Service at 7:00pm

**Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

Palm Sunday Divine Service with Holy Communion at 9:00am

**Thursday April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

Soup Supper begins at 5:30pm  
Maundy Thursday Service with Holy Communion at 7:00pm

**Friday April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

Good Friday Service with Holy Communion at 12:00pm  
Good Friday Tenebrae Vespers Service at 7:00pm

**Sunday April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Easter Sunday**

Sunrise Matins Service at 7:00am  
Festival Divine Service of Holy Communion at 9:00am