

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham for he is the father of all of us.

Romans 4:16

Second Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2018 8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

The second covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the one made with Abraham and Sarah: God's promise to make them the ancestors of many, with whom God will remain in everlasting covenant. Paul says this promise comes to all who share Abraham's faith in the God who brings life into being where there was no life. We receive this baptismal promise of resurrection life in faith. Sarah and Abraham receive new names as a sign of the covenant, and we too get new identities in baptism, as we put on Christ.

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HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) Setting Five

+ GATHERING +

ACCLAMATION

Mark Mummert/Timothy Olsen

Let your steadfast love come to us, O Lord.
Save us as you promised; we will trust your word.
May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
By which the world is crucified to me, and I to the world.

OPENING VOLUNTARY If You But Trust in God to Guide You, BWV 691 J.S. Bach

We stand.

ACCLAMATION

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

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

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin.
We are truly sorry and humbly repent.
In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do.
Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

The assembly turns to face the cross as it enters the sanctuary, following the cross as we have followed Jesus into this holy place and time of corporate worship.

GATHERING HYMN 757 All My Hope on God Is Founded

MICHAEL

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

And also with you.

KYRIE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

After the prayer the assembly responds: Amen.

We sit.

WELCOME

+ WORD+

FIRST READING Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you." God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

The word of the Lord. The assembly responds: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 22:23-31



²³You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's ¹ line, give glory. Stand in awe of the LORD, all you off- ¹ spring of Israel.

²⁴For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hid- | den from them;

but when they cry out, | the LORD hears them.

²⁵From you comes my praise in the | great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the sight of those who | fear the LORD.

²⁶The poor shall eat | and be satisfied,

Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts | live forever!

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn ¹ to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow ¹ before God.

²⁸For dominion belongs | to the LORD, who rules o- | ver the nations.

²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow | down in worship; all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel be- | fore the LORD.

³⁰Their descendants shall | serve the LORD, whom they shall proclaim to genera- | tions to come.

³¹They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people | yet unborn, saying to them, "The | LORD has acted!"

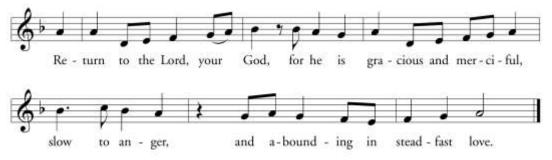
SECOND READING Romans 4:13-25

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The word of the Lord. The assembly responds: Thanks be to God.

We stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL Mark 8:31-38

The holy gospel according to Saint Mark.



[Jesus] began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

The gospel of the Lord.



We sit.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Leigh Anna Voigt

SERMON

Pastor Wollner

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY 580 How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

REPTON

APOSTLES' CREED

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 to the dead.

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 INTERCESSION

Renewed in the promises of baptism, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Each portion of the prayers concludes:

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Trusting in your covenant of mercy, O God, we lift our prayers to you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say Peace be with you or similar words.

Please be considerate of those who may be reluctant to shake hands in this flu season.

We sit.

+ MEAL+

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (8:30) Take Up Your Cross

Ronald Corp

"Take up your cross," the Saviour said, "if you want to follow me." I acknowledge my faults, and my sin is ever before me.

Hide your face from my sins, and blot out my wicked transgressions.

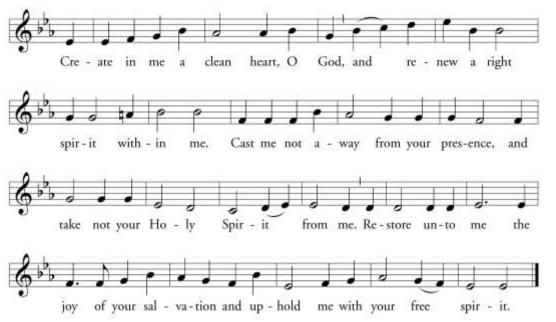
OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:00) Let Grief Not Overwhelm You Johannes Brahms

Lass dich nur nichts nicht dauren mit Trauren,
Sei stille, wie Gott es fügt, so sei vergnügt mein Wille.
Was willst du heute sorgen auf morgen?
Der Eine steht allem für, der gibt auch dir das Deine.
Sei nur in allem Handel ohn' Wandel.
Steh feste, was Gott beschleußt, das ist und heißt das Beste.
Amen.

Let grief not overwhelm you, consume you. Be quiet: trust God's intent and be content, my spirit. Why dwell today on sorrow tomorrow? Your savior stands by your side, and you abide in favor. Then go about your serving unswerving. Confessing God holds the key to what shall be your blessing. Amen.

We stand.

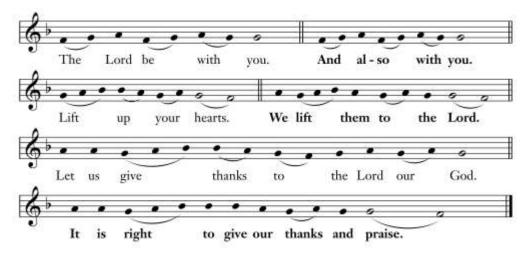
OFFERTORY HYMN



Let us pray.

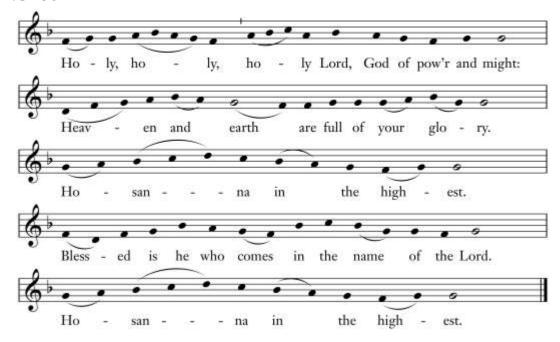
Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.



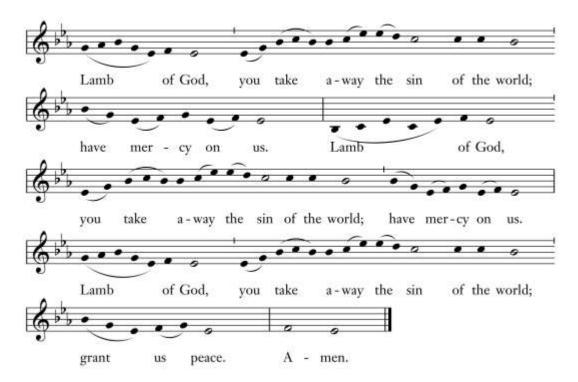
The presiding minister lifts the bread and cup and says

When we eat this bread, we share the body of Christ. When we drink this cup, we share the blood of Christ.

The assembly responds

Reveal yourself to us, O Lord, in the breaking of bread, as once you revealed yourself to your disciples.

AGNUS DEI



We sit.

COMMUNION

Today we will be communing by intinction. Receive the bread and dip it in the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available on the organ side of the church. Visitors and children are welcome to receive communion. Those who have never communed and would like to are encouraged to talk to a pastor. All who do not receive communion are welcomed forward to receive a blessing.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond Amen.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

HYMN 802 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus **HYMN** 328 Restore in Us, O God

LASSET UNS MIT JESU ZIEHEN BAYLOR

We stand.

TABLE BLESSING

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

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



Let us pray.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

+ SENDING +

BLESSING



The assembly faces the cross as it leaves the sanctuary, following the cross as we follow Jesus into the world. All remain facing the cross for the dismissal.

SENDING HYMN 769 If You But Trust in God to Guide You

WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY If You But Trust in God to Guide You, BWV 690 J.S. Bach

Soli Deo Gloria

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8:30 Juliette Levine

11:00 Meghan Ballard

Crucifers

8:30 Kate Frucht

11:00 Alex Ballard

Offering Bearer

Luke Wollner

Liturgists

8:30 Bruce Tippette

11:00 Nanette Shutt

Lay Readers

8:30 Angela Levine

11:00 Roger Hill

Communion Assistants

8:30 Diane Evans and Nanette Shutt

11:00 Lara Carter and Kathie Eppert

Nursery

8:30 Jill Fowler

SS Mary Lou Leonard

11:00 Elizabeth Chéron

Ushers

8:30 Rick Brandt, Pat Holland.

Alex Paschold and Charlie Schoderbek

11:00 Walter Barger, Don Eppert,

Scott Hanes and Church Roediger

Visitors Welcoming Table & Greeters

8:30 Mary Lou Leonard

11:00 Debbie Byorick

Sunday Morning Fellowship

Jane Maxey

Oblation Bearers

8:30 Brenda Frucht

11:00 Elly Burns Frye

Assisting Ministers

8:30 John Collins

11:00 Barbara Gerhard

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Pastor Wollner

Announcements

WELCOME all who enter the Lord's house this day! We invite you to fill out the Friendship Register found on each pew. If you are visiting Augsburg, please stop by the Visitor Welcoming Table after today's service to pick up a welcome package. The visitor's table is located at the bottom of the ramp leading to the lobby.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God in honor of Jackson J. Sutton IV and Kelly Fredenberg who were married on February 24th, 2018. Jackson is the grandson of Jim and Vera Robinson and the nephew of Tim and Susan Doran.

Flowers on the Altar. Thank you to everyone who contributes the beautiful altar flowers every week. If you are interested in giving flowers as a memorial or in honor of a loved one, call the church office for more information. Available dates are April 1, 8, 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20, and 27.

On the center aisle of each pew is a folder known as the "Friendship Register." Please sign the register and check if you are communing today. Be sure to review the sheet to identify visitors. Please hand the completed pages from the register to an usher during the singing of the Hymn of the Day.

We offer an infant and toddler nursery during the service. If you would like to use the nursery, please ask an usher for directions. The nursery is for children ages newborn to 4.

Our Homebound Member is Mrs. Frances Lefler, Trinity Elms, 3750 Harper Road, Clemmons, NC 27012. Please send Frances a note.

Contributions Envelopes: If you have not yet picked up your contributions envelopes, please do so. If you would like to have yours mailed to you, please contact the church office and let them know.

Opening day is right around the corner! Augsburg competes in both a men's softball league as well as a co-ed softball league. Men play on Monday night's and co-ed plays on Thursday nights. If interested please e-mail Stephen Andrews at **s.andrews589@gmail.com** by March 23.

Help us fill the Easter Eggs! Donations of individually wrapped candy can be dropped off in the office by March 25. Please remember that candy donations should **NOT** contain nuts.

Readings for next week: Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 2:13-22.

Worship attendance for services last week: 125 at 8:30; 188 at 11:00; 20 visitors.

Order your Easter Lilies. Easter lily dedication forms are available on the Greeters table outside the Gathering Room, outside of the Family Life Center, and on the receptionist desk in the church office. The **deadline** for your dedication is **March 9**.

AUGSBURG BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

"O. M. Genesis" Study: Pastor Paul's Bible Study meets Mondays at 10:45 A.M. in the Sid Sowers Classroom.

Continue in My Word is an Adult Weekly Bible Study held Monday evenings at 6:00 P.M. in the Youth Area. Bring your Bible.

7:18 Youth Bible Study meets Wednesday evenings at various locations.

Calendar for February 25-March 4

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| 25 Second Sunday in Lent | |
| | Service of Holy Communion |
| | (Sanctuary) |
| 9:45a | Fellowship Breakfast |
| | Sunday School |
| | Service of Holy Communion |
| | (Sanctuary) |
| 3:30p | Music Exploration Class |
| 1 | (Youth Choir Room) |
| 4:00p | Confirmation Class |
| 1 | (Various Locations) |
| 4:00p | Jubilate Choir Rehearsal |
| | (Youth Choir Room) |
| | Lobchor rehearsal |
| 1 | (Adult Choir Room) |
| 5:45p | Youth Group |
| 1 | (Youth Area) |
| | , |
| 26 Monday | |
| | Pastor Paul's Bible Study |
| | (Sid Sowers Classroom) |
| 6:00p | Adult Handbell Choir |
| 1 | (Handbell Room) |
| 6:00p | Continue in My Word |
| 1 | (Youth Area) |
| | , |
| 28 Wednesday | |
| 6:30a | Bagels! |
| | (Bagel Station) |
| 2:00p | Executive Committee Meeting |
| - | (Conference Room) |
| 6:00p | Lenten Dinner |
| - | (Family Life Center) |
| 7:00p | Lenten Compline Service |
| 1 | (Sanctuary) |
| 7:30p | • |
| - | (Lounge) |
| | |

7:45p Adult Choir II (Music Suite)

1 Thursday 7:30a Men's Fellowship Breakfast (Youth Area) 10:00a Quilt Ministry (Youth Area) 6:15p Adult Choir I (Music Suite) 4 Third Sunday in Lent 8:30a Service of Holy Communion (Sanctuary) 9:45a Fellowship Breakfast 10:00a Sunday School 11:00a Service of Holy Communion (Sanctuary) 3:30p Music Exploration Class (Youth Choir Room) 4:00p Confirmation Class (Various Locations)

Wednesdays in Lent

No reservations are required. Meals will be served at 6:00 P.M. Services begin at 7:00 P.M. Love offerings will be collected.

Wednesday, February 28

6:00 P.M. Dinner – Taco Bar (G.I.F.T. Class) 7:00 P.M. Service of Compline Faith Journey – Alex Ballard

Wednesday, March 7

6:00 P.M. Dinner – Chili (Wingz Men's Group) 7:00 P.M. Service of Compline Faith Journey – Elizabeth Chèron

Wednesday, March 14

6:00 P.M. Dinner – Chicken Pie (Sid Sowers Class) 7:00 P.M. Service of Compline Faith Journey – Roger Hill

Wednesday, March 21

6:00 P.M. Dinner – Lasagna (Covenant Class) 7:00 P.M. Service of Compline Faith Journey – Pastor Paul Wollner Happy Birthday J. S. Bach!

Cottage Gatherings to begin soon!



Beginning in March and extending through May, Pastor Paul will be conducting numerous Cottage Gatherings for all Augsburg disciples. These Cottage Gatherings are designed to deepen relationships between Pastor Paul and the congregation and to hear the vision of what God has in store for the next few years at Augsburg.

Each of these gatherings should last about ninety minutes and will be held either in member's homes or at the church. Some of them will be during the day, some in the evenings, and some on a weekend. Child care will be available at a few of the locations. There

are about twenty families that will be hosting these gatherings spread throughout Augsburg's footprint. We are hopeful that each of you will be able to attend one that will suit your schedule and location.

Beginning March 4, Cottage Gathering sign-ups will take place on Sundays outside the Gathering Room. Please make every effort to sign up for one of the gatherings. If you have any questions please contact the church office (336-722-8144), Kathy Carr (336-407-8224) or Kathy Nelson (336-682-0857).

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