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+Make Disciples for Jesus through Word & Sacrament+

Third Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2020

Opening Hymn: #221 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Order of Worship: Gathering Rite on the Word of God on page 11 in the Christian Worship Supplement (CWS)

First Lesson: Isaiah 42:14-21

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 143 on page 118 in the hymnal

Second Lesson: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel Lesson: John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39

Children's Sermon

Sermon Hymn: #343 Christ Is the World's Light

Sermon Text: John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39

Sermon Theme: It's time to see the truth

Confession of Faith: The Apostle's Creed on page 41 in front of the hymnal

The Gathering of Our Gifts to the Praise and Glory of God

Prayer of the Church on page 125 in the front of the hymnal

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #379 Amazing Grace — How Sweet the Sound

Closing Prayer and Blessing Closing Hymn: #324 Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast

Organist: Jon Wheeler; **Ushers:** Ken & Jonnie Sitz, Kevin Vik, Dan Harsdorf & Doug Hanneman; **Altar Flower Committee:** Joyce Kuehl & Karen Pachan; **Worship Folders 3/22:** Schaefer; **Treats today:** Wheeler & Yerks; **3/22:** Ackerman & Brecht; **Counters today:** Radant; **3/22:** Kirchhoff

Living in God's Grace This Week

Sunday:	8am Bible Study 9am Worship 10:15am Sunday Sahaal
Monday:	10:15am Sunday School 6:30pm Jesus Cares
Monday.	7pm Choir
Tuesday:	2 & 7pm Bible Study
Wednesday:	4pm Confirmation
	5:30pm Lenten Supper
	7pm Worship
Thursday:	7pm Movie – "Gospel of Mark"
Friday:	7pm Movie – "Gospel of Mark"
Saturday:	7pm Worship
Sunday:	8am Bible Study
	9am Worship
	10:15am Sunday School

Last Week at Grace

Total Worship Attendance (Sat/Sun/Wed): 20/70/40 Total Offerings (Wed/Sat/Sun): \$3,401.51 Needed: \$4,612

Forward In Christ & Meditations are available in the narthex.

Lenten Worship will be held on Wednesday at 7pm. Pastor DeVries will be preaching on *The Son of God Goes Forth to War: The Warrior Rejected by Many Followers*. St. Peter's will be **serving** salads and sandwiches at 5:30pm.

We will be showing the movie <u>The Gospel of Mark</u> on Thursday & Friday at 7pm. Please invite your family and friends to view an accurate depiction of this gospel of the life and death of Jesus. Popcorn and water will be served free of charge.

Immanuel School is holding a **Tote & Toy Drive** for its Summer Care Program. They are in need of games and toys for children ages 4-12. They are also in need of totes to hold these items. You can bring them to Grace anytime between now and the end of April. Teresa will collect it and bring it to the school. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board for more details.

<u>Thank you</u> to all who gave a donation at Ash Wednesday's Lenten Supper. We gave \$300 to the African Medical Mission.

Lenten Suppers will be served by:

3/25 — Evangelism/Fellowship Committees – sloppy jo's 4/1 — Church Council – fish fry & game feed 4/9 — Choir – hotdishes

Save the Date:

April 11: <u>Reality Easter</u> at Grace. Pie and ice cream will be served. Times to be announced next week.

> April 17-25: TBD – <u>Play at Bethany</u> Lutheran College *Treasure Island*

April 19: Quarterly Voter's Meeting at 6pm.

April 22: <u>Health Talk</u> – *The Latest Trends in Exercise for People with Busy Schedules* — Grace at 6:30pm

May 22: <u>Tour of St. John's</u> College & a showing of the St. John's Bible — More info to come

August: St. Paul Saints game (possible date Aug. 30)

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THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Christian Worship: A Lutheran Hymnal 3-Year Lectionary, Year A Evangelical Heritage Version TM

First Lesson: Isaiah 42:14-21

14 I have been silent for a long time. I have kept still. I have restrained myself. Like a woman giving birth, I will scream. I will gasp and pant. 15 I will dry up mountains and hills. I will make all their grass wither. I will turn rivers into islands. I will dry up pools. 16 I will lead the blind on a way they do not know. Along paths they do not know I will direct them. Ahead of them I will turn darkness into light and rough places into level ground. These are the promises I will accomplish for them. I will not abandon them. 17 They will be turned back and be completely disgraced— those who trust in an idol, those who say to molten images, "You are our gods. 18 You deaf ones, listen! You blind ones, watch carefully so you can see! 19 Who is so blind as my servant or so deaf as my messenger whom I sent? Who is so blind as my covenant partner and so blind as the servant of the LORD? 20 You see many things, but you do not observe. He opens his ears, but he does not hear. 21 Because of his righteousness the LORD was pleased to make his law great and glorious.

Second Lesson: Ephesians 5:8-14

8 For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light, 9 for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness, and truth. 10 Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord, 11 and do not participate in fruitless deeds of darkness. Instead, expose them. 12 For it is shameful even to mention the things that are done by people in secret. 13 But everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for it is light that makes things visible. 14 Therefore it is said, "Awake, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

Gospel: John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39

1 As Jesus was passing by, he saw a man blind from birth. **2** His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" 3 Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that God's works might be revealed in connection with him. 4 I must do the works of him who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. 5 As long as I am in the world, I am the Light of the World." 6 After saying this, Jesus spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and spread the mud on the man's eyes. 7 "Go," Jesus told him, "wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means "Sent"). So he went and washed, and came back seeing. 13 They brought this man who had been blind to the Pharisees. 14 Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. 15 So the Pharisees also asked him how he received his sight. "He put mud on my eyes," the man told them. "I washed, and now I see." 16 Then some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God because he does not keep the Sabbath." Others were saying, "How can a sinful man work such miraculous signs?" There was division among them, 17 so they said to the blind man again, "What do you say about him, because he opened your eyes?" The man replied, "He is a prophet." 34 They answered him, "You were entirely born in sinfulness! Yet you presume to teach us?" And they threw him out. 35 Jesus heard that they had thrown him out. When he found him, he asked, "Do you believe in the Son of God?" 36 "Who is he, sir," the man replied, "that I may believe in him?" **37** Jesus answered, "You have seen him, and he is the very one who is speaking with you." 38 Then he said, "Lord, I believe!" and he knelt down and worshipped him. 39 Jesus said, "For judgment I came into this world, in order that those who do not see will see, and those who do see will become blind."