

Sexagesima

Awake, why sleepest thou, O Lord?
arise, cast us not off for ever.
Wherefore hidest thou thy face,
and forgettest our affliction and our oppression?



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Hymns

589 *LSB*
586 *LSB*
620 *LSB*
823 *LSB*
536 *LSB*
655 *LSB*

For our soul is bowed down to the / dŭst:

Arise for our help / and redeem us.

We have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have / told us,
what work thou didst in their days, / in the times of old.

But thou hast saved us from our / enemies,
and hast put them to / shame that hated us.

In God we boast all the day / lŏng,
and praise thy / name for ever.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the / Holy Spirit;

As it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be for- / ever. Amen.

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THE KYRIE



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

THE COLLECT

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir - it.

Let us pray. O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ; Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



A-men.

Thus says the Lord God: “For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, And do not return there, But water the earth, And make it bring forth and bud, That it may give seed to the sower And bread to the eater, So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out with joy, And be led out with peace; The mountains and the hills Shall break forth into singing before you, And all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress tree, And instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree; And it shall be to the LORD for a name, For an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

This is the Word of the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL

Psalm 83:18, 13



That men may know that thou, whose name alone is JE- / HOVAH,
art the most high / over all the earth.

**O my God, make them / like a wheel;
as the stub- / ble before the wind.**

THE EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 11:19-12:9

Brethren: For you put up with fools gladly, since you yourselves are wise! For you put up with it if one brings you into bondage, if one devours you, if one takes from you, if one exalts himself, if one strikes you on the face. To our shame I say that we were too weak for that! But in whatever anyone is bold—I speak foolishly—I am bold also. Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they the seed of Abraham? So am I. Are they ministers of Christ?—I speak as a fool—I am more: in labors more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequently, in deaths often. From the Jews five times I received forty stripes minus one. Three times I was beaten with rods; once I was stoned; three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I have been in the deep; in journeys often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils of my own countrymen, in perils of the Gentiles, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren; in weariness and toil, in sleeplessness often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness— besides the other things, what comes upon me daily: my deep concern for all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to stumble, and I do not burn with indignation? If I must boast, I will boast in the things which concern my infirmity. The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. In Damascus the governor, under Aretas the king,

✠ *At that time*, when a great multitude had gathered, and they had come to Jesus from every city, He spoke by a parable: “A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it. Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold.” When He had said these things He cried, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear!” Then His disciples asked Him, saying, “What does this parable mean?” And He said, “To you it has been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest it is given in parables, that ‘SEEING THEY MAY NOT SEE, AND HEARING THEY MAY NOT UNDERSTAND.’ Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. Now the ones that fell among thorns are those who, when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity. But the ones that fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep it and bear fruit with patience.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven *and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man*; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the ☩ life of the world to come. Amen.

THE SERMON

THE OFFERING

Stand

THE OFFERTORY



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spi - rit with -
 in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy
 Ho - ly Spi - rit from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal -
 va - tion, and up - hold me _____ with Thy free Spir - it.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each bid: Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

At the conclusion: O Lord, heavenly Father, we here remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Praising His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own high priest. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the Marriage Feast of the Lamb in His Kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor, and worship, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Service of the Sacrament of the Altar

THE PREFACE

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir - it.

Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up un-to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.



It is meet and right so to do.

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, Holy Lord, Almighty Father, Everlasting God, who bids us to cleanse our hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, and Who promises to renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

THE SANCTUS



Ho - ly, — ho - ly, — ho - ly, — Lord God of



Sab - a-oth; heav - en and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is — He that com - eth in the



name of the Lord! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Kneel **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

THE WORDS OF CHRIST'S TESTAMENT

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: TAKE, EAT, ✠ THIS IS MY BODY, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, DRINK OF IT, ALL OF YOU; ✠ THIS CUP IS THE NEW TESTAMENT IN MY BLOOD, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

THE PAX DOMINI

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



A - men.

THE AGNUS DEI

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God
that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the
sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

THE POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good:



And His mercy endureth for-ev-er.

Let us pray. Almighty God, who has given Your only Son to be for us both a Sacrifice for sin and also an example of godly life: give us grace so that we may always receive with thanksgiving the inestimable benefit of His sacrifice and also that we may daily endeavor to follow the blessed steps of His most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



A-men.

THE SALUTATION, BENEDICAMUS, AND BENEDICTION

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir - it.

Bless we the Lord.



Communicants are invited to pray the following prayers:

Before receiving the Sacrament

O Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof; but speak only Your Word, and my soul will be healed. I will take the Bread of Heaven and call upon the Name of the Lord.

What shall I give to the Lord for all that He has given to me? I will take the Cup of Salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord.

During the distribution of the Sacrament

The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory; glory as of the only-begotten Son of the Father, full of grace and truth. Amen.

After receiving the Sacrament

I live, and yet not I, but Christ lives in me.

What we have received with our mouths, O Lord, let us keep with faithful hearts, that this Gift given us in earthly time may bring us to eternal salvation. Amen.

Abide with us, O Lord, that we may abide in You until the end; let not sin and need separate us from You, until we, through the strength of Your Holy Sacrament, enter into heaven, and eternal blessing. Amen.

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Dean of Acolytes - Oscar Matter

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The “Gesima” Season

Our liturgical preparation for Easter takes place through three distinct periods or steps. The first is the Gesimas. These three Sundays before Lent are mainly focused on the grace of God and examine that grace from three perspectives:

Septuagesima (meaning “about 70 days”)—Grace is undeserved. The collect for this Sunday implores God to graciously hear us, who are justly punished for our sin, so that we may be delivered by His goodness. The goodness of God is emphasized in the parable of the vineyard workers in the day’s Gospel, Matthew 20:1-16. All the laborers receive the reward because of the goodness of the landowner and not because of their own labor or merit. We prepare for Easter by remembering what is good, Christ, who has borne the heat and burden of the day for us so that we might have that goodness for free.

Sexagesima (meaning “about 60 days”)—Grace is passively received. In the collect for this Sunday we pray that God would see that we put not our trust in anything that we do and that He would mercifully defend us by His power. The parable of the sower is read from Luke 8:4-15. The seed of God’s Word is passively received. It transforms bad soil into good and bestows noble hearts upon sinful men. We pray that this would happen also to and for us.

Quinquagesima (meaning “about 50 days”) —Grace is not easily understood. On the Sunday before Ash Wednesday we hear in the Gospel, Luke 18:31-34, Jesus predict His passion, death, and resurrection. We also hear that the disciples “understood none of these things” and “this saying was hid from them, and they did not grasp what was said (34).” We pray that God would be gracious and patient with us and grant faith and understanding to us despite our many sins.

The three Gesima Sundays take on the character of Lent, but mildly. The “Alleluias” and Greater Gloria are dropped, but the color stays green and crucifixes remain unveiled. We also retain the more festive musical setting of the Service composed by Healey Willan. This grace-focused season provides a gradual progression and gentle easing into the more intense ceremonies and denials of Lent and Passiontide.

We welcome you all to Redeemer Lutheran Church. Members and visitors are invited to meet at the coffee hour, which follows each service.

Cleaning Team B, captain Krissy Lagemann will be cleaning this week.

Cancelled: Evening of Jazz Improv on February 13.

Books and Beer is next Sunday, February 14, at 7:00 p.m. in the undercroft. All men of the congregation are welcome. They will be discussing *East of Eden*.

Mark Your Calendars:

- February 17 Ash Wednesday
- February 21 Women's Night Out

Special Prayer Requests: Jennifer Koontz & Thomas Clinton; Nicole Schulert; Alena Casey; Rev. Larry Burgdorf; Brian Borchardt; Alex Lundquist; Terry Stephens; Madeleine & David Herman; Clara Roth; Maureen DeLassus; Marilyn Conrad; Bob Heider; Gail Ludvigson; Norma Jean Uffleman; Angie Crouch; Amanda Willets; Juanita Hahn; Ed Snyder; Mark Crouch; Dale Steinke; John & Ele Sullivan; Jim Steinke; Abby Smith; Moreah Stuckwisch; Kelly Oliver, Bethany Kranz; Amanda Shemwell; Claire Burgdorf; Brittney Petersen; Mary Durham; Alice Lagemann

ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ hallow me;
Body of Christ, save me;
Blood of Christ, refresh me;
Water from the side of Christ, wash me;
Passion of Christ, strengthen me;
O good Jesu, hear me;
Within Thy wounds, hide me;
Suffer me not to be separated from Thee;
From the malicious enemy, defend me;
In the hour of death, call me;
And bid me come to Thee;
That with Thy Saints I may praise Thee
For all eternity. Amen.

Contact the pastors or church office

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THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

Sunday, 7 February SEXAGESIMA
8:00 a.m. Divine Service
9:15 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Class
10:30 a.m. Divine Service

There are matins services at 8:30 a.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday.

Wednesday, 10 February
8:30 a.m. Divine Service

Thursday, 11 February
6:00 p.m. Divine Service, extra precautions
7:00 p.m. Divine Service

Saturday, 13 February
9:30 a.m. Catechism Class
10:30 a.m. Matins

Sunday, 14 February QUINQUAGESIMA
8:00 a.m. Divine Service
9:15 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Class
10:30 a.m. Divine Service
12:00 p.m. Church Council
7:00 p.m. Books and Beer

Individual Absolution is offered by appointment.

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