

The heavens declare the  
*glory of God,*

and the sky above  
proclaims his

*handiwork.*

PSALM 19:1, ESV

## PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

*Psalm 19* The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork. 2 Day unto day utters speech, And night unto night reveals knowledge. 3 There is no speech nor language Where their voice is not heard. 4 Their line has gone out through all the earth, And their words to the end of the world. In them He has set a tabernacle for the sun, 5 Which is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, And rejoices like a strong man to run its race. 6 Its rising is from one end of heaven, And its circuit to the other end; And there is nothing hidden from its heat. 7 The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul; The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple; 8 The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes; 9 The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; The judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. 10 More to be desired are they than gold, Yea, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. 11 Moreover by them Your servant is warned, And in keeping them there is great reward. 12 Who can understand his errors? Cleanse me from secret faults. 13 Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; Let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, And I shall be innocent of great transgression. 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart Be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my strength and my Redeemer.

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

Speakers: Pastor Matthew Ude

Organists: Barry Hay & Ann Sprengeler

Services are streamed live to the  
TV in the kitchen (channel 4).

Hymn 246 (MFH pg. 78) —  
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty

## INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit.

C  A-men.

## CONFESSION OF SINS

P We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth, In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

P God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C  A-men.

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Glory to God, we give You thanks and praise; Of  
heav'nly joy and peace on earth we sing. We worship  
You, to You our hearts we raise, Lord God, almighty  
Father, heav'nly King.

Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son, You bore  
for us the load of this world's sin. O Lamb of God,  
Your glorious vict'ry won, Receive our prayer, grant  
us Your peace within.

Alone, O Christ, You only are the Lord, At God's  
right hand in majesty most high: Who, with the  
Spirit worshiped and adored, With all the heav'nly  
host we glorify.

P Let us pray . . . 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 Ghost, one God, now and  
forever.

C  A-men.

## THE WORD


*Exodus 20:1-17* And God spoke all these words, saying: 2 “ I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. 3 “ You shall have no other gods before Me. 4 “ You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; 5 you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me, 6 but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments. 7 “ You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain. 8 “ Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. 9 Six days you shall labor and do all your work, 10 but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. 11 For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that

is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it. 12 “Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you. 13 “You shall not murder. 14 “You shall not commit adultery. 15 “You shall not steal. 16 “You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. 17 “You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor’s.”

*1 Corinthians 1:18-31* For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. 19 For it is written: “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.” 20 Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? 21 For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. 22 For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; 23 but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block

and to the Greeks foolishness, 24 but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25 Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. 26 For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called. 27 But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; 28 and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, 29 that no flesh should glory in His presence. 30 But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God -- and righteousness and sanctification and redemption -- 31 that, as it is written, "He who glories, let him glory in the LORD."

P Blessed are they who hear the  
Word of God and keep it!

C  Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are  
written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ,  
the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



## THE APOSTLES' CREED

All I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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. The third day he rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right  
hand of God the Father almighty. From there He  
will come to judge the living and the dead.


I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian  
Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness  
of sins, The resurrection of the body and the  
life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn 2 — To Thy Temple I Repair

## SERMON


*John 2:13-22* Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 14 And He found in the temple those who sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the moneychangers doing business. 15 When He had made a whip of cords, He drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and the oxen, and poured out the changers' money and overturned the tables. 16 And He said to those who sold doves, "Take these things away! Do not make My Father's house a house of merchandise!" 17 Then His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for Your house has eaten Me up." 18 So the Jews answered and said to Him, "What sign do You show to us, since You do these things?" 19 Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." 20 Then the Jews said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?" 21 But He was speaking of the temple of His body. 22 Therefore, when He had risen from the dead, His disciples remembered that He had said this to them; and they believed the Scripture and the word which Jesus had said.

## HALLOWED BE THY NAME

- C  Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold me with Your Spirit free.

## 166 – Savior When In Dust To Thee

### OFFERING AND OFFERING HYMN: 572 VS. 4

C  As Thy prospering hand hath blest, May we give  
Thee all our best And by deeds of kindly love For  
Thy mercies grateful prove, Singing thus through  
all our days Praise to God, immortal praise.

### PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All 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 BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make  
His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and  
give you peace.

C  A-men A-men A-men.

Hymn 158 (MFH pg. 60) — Glory Be To Jesus

## Calendar:

### THIS WEEK:

#### Sunday 3/4

9am Sunday Service  
10am Sunday School  
10:15am Bible Class

#### Tuesday 3/6

5pm Basketball Practice  
7pm School Board Meeting

#### Wednesday 3/7

4pm Confirmation Class  
7pm Wednesday Lent Service

#### Thursday 3/8

10:30am Bible Class

#### Friday 3/9

Grade School Basketball  
Tournament in EC

#### Sunday 3/11

9am Sunday Service  
10am Sunday School  
10:15am Bible Class  
6:30pm Reaffirmation of Colt Kearns

### UPCOMING DATES:

March 6 - School Board Meeting at 7pm

March 9-11 Eau Claire Basketball Tournament

March 13 - Elders Meeting at 7pm/  
Church Council Meeting at 7:30pm

March 20 - Women of Faith Meeting

March 24 - Ronald McDonald Meal

March 25 - Easter Caroling at 2pm

## ENVELOPE COMMITTEE

This Week: Team #1:

Dale Muehlenhaupt, Troy Cotterill

Next Week: Team #2:

Dennis Jones, Jeff Jones

## MARCH SUNDAYS &

### GOOD FRIDAY USHERS

John Bobek, Dan Thiem, Dale Muehlenhaupt, Russ Denson

## LENT WEDNESDAYS, MAUNDY THURSDAY & EASTER EARLY SERVICE USHERS

Bob Kirst, Bob McElroy, Mark Brown-Kempenaar, Randy Haight

## FRUITS OF FAITH

Attendance: 110/25

General Fund: \$3862

Missions Fund: \$1,110

School Fund: \$65

\$20 stain glass fund in memory  
of Ronald Jahnke

\$20 general fund in memory  
of Curtis Brown

## Announcements:

### GUEST AND VISITORS

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please sign the guest register in the entry as you leave the church today.

### TOUR CHOIR HOUSING

The signup sheet to house Tour Choir members is now up on the bulletin board.

## **TOUR CHOIR MEAL**

There is also a signup sheet to bring food for lunch following the tour choir concert. This is also on the bulletin board.

## **TOUR CHOIR POSTERS**

There are also tour choir posters available to take home and give to a friend. I can print more if they are needed.

## **STAIN GLASS WINDOW**

The stain glass window committee met last night. They will meet again in April. The committee is asking anyone who has ideas or concerns to talk to Randy Strelow or another committee member before the April meeting or come to the April meeting. Talk now or forever hold your peace.

## **OUR MISSION HELPERS**

Adam and Lucas Brown have volunteered to be part of the upcoming CLC Mission Trip to central Africa. We certainly want to do our best to support Adam, Lucas and the other Mission Helpers with encouragement and prayers. Adam will also need our financial support. The cost of the trip is approximately \$3,000 - \$3500. \$2000 of this is due before March 15th. If you like to help out there should be a basket in the back of church.

## **EMAIL GROUP**

If you haven't been getting the email updates I've been sending out over the last week and a half and would like to simply email me with your name and email

address, [pastor@markesanlutheran.com](mailto:pastor@markesanlutheran.com).

## **CLC YOUTH CAMP REGISTRATION**

is coming up! You will be able to register online (the website will be up in the next month) on March 25 at 3:00pm CST. Camp this year will be held at Camp JIM in Pillager, MN. The cost will be \$175/ camper and campers entering grades 6-12 are eligible. You can check out our Facebook page for more updates. Stay warm!

## **THE MIDWEST CHRISTIAN**

### **WOMEN'S RETREAT,**

sponsored by Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mankato, MN, will be held April 20-22, 2018, at the Riverport Inn & Suites, Winona, MN. This year's theme is: "That Your Joy may be Full!"

Registration is open 2/1/18 - 3/23/18. The retreat fee is \$75. All the hotel costs and reservation information, as well as retreat registration information can be found at [www.ladiesretreat.clclutheran.net](http://www.ladiesretreat.clclutheran.net).

## **BLACK HILLS FAMILY BIBLE CAMP**

Camping in the beauty of the Black Hills, studies in the beauty of God's Word. All ages are welcome, children will need to be accompanied by a chaperon or family. There will also be many outdoor activities such as hiking, swimming, caving, fishing, kayaking, bonfires, smores etc... The dates are Friday evening July 13th through Tuesday morning July 17th. If you interested there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Even if you aren't sure if you can make it you can still sign up as interested.



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