

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

*"A Disciple Making Community"*

*"KNOW, GROW, and GO"*

West Salem, Wisconsin

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

Fifth Sunday in Lent – March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026



***Welcome! We are glad you are here today!***

Our mission here at Prince of Peace is to exist to be a disciple making community for the Lord Jesus Christ. Our message is that we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

If you have questions about the Christian faith or Prince of Peace, our pastor or one of our elders would be happy to talk with you.

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**Our Communion Practice:** *Prince of Peace is a member congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (LCMS). The LCMS practices the Biblical and historical practice known as Close or Closed Communion (1 Corinthians 11:18-22). In this Supper of Our Lord, we receive the real presence of Jesus Christ’s true Body and Blood in, with, and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25). Since this is also a sign of our communion, or common confession of faith (1 Corinthians 10:16-17), we welcome to the Lord’s Supper all those who are catechized members in good standing of the congregations of the LCMS or those in fellowship with the LCMS, such as The American Association of Lutheran Churches (TAALC).*

*It is indeed a consequence of the division in Christianity that we cannot extend a general invitation to receive the Lord’s Supper. Reception of the Sacrament of the Altar by those who are not fully united with us would confess a oneness that does not yet exist and for which we must all pray. New member classes are offered regularly, so that those who are not in fellowship with us can be welcomed to the Lord’s Table in the future! We thank you for your respect for our Biblical and historical practice. Guests, please ask an elder or Pastor Adelsen before the service if you have any further questions concerning the Sacrament of the Altar, including the desire to become a member so we can all join together at the Lord’s Table.*

**Please let us know you were here. Please fill out a Connection Card. You may leave it on the table at the back of the sanctuary or place it in the offering plate. Or leave it at the end of your row and an Usher will collect it. Thank you!**

**Theme for Today's Service:** Decaying skeletons are revived in hearing the prophecies of God. Graveyards are opened; the dead are raised – and the Lord does it all! Lifeless creatures respond to the breath of the Holy Spirit. Hostile flesh wars against God and dies, but those continually revived by the Spirit live in peace. Dead Lazarus is three days entombed in stench, and yet, when Jesus speaks, he rises, he lives! Lazarus sheds the shroud of death, and the Lord has done it all!

**Order of Service**

**Divine Service 3, p. 184 ff.**

**Opening Hymn**

**LSB 685 Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus**

**Confession and Absolution**

**LSB p. 184**

**Service of the Word**

**LSB p. 186-193**

**Introit**

*Psalm 116:1-4, 8; antiphon: v. 15*

Precious in the sight of the Lord  
**is the death of his saints.**

I love the Lord, because he has heard  
**my voice and my pleas for mercy.**

Because he inclined his ear to me,  
**therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;  
**I suffered distress and anguish.**

Then I called on the name of the Lord:  
**“O Lord, I pray, deliver my soul!”**

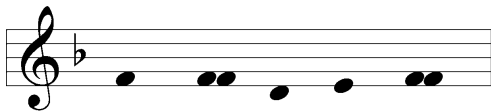
For you have delivered my soul from death,  
**my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.**

**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.**

Precious in the sight of the Lord  
**is the death of his saints.**

**Kyrie**

**LSB p. 186**



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Let us pray.

**P** Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

### Old Testament Reading

### Ezekiel 37:1-14

<sup>1</sup>The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, you know." <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord." <sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I was

commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." <sup>10</sup>So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army. <sup>11</sup>Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.'" <sup>12</sup>Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup>And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup>And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the Lord."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual

*Hebrews 12:2*

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,

**the founder and perfecter of our faith,**

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,  
**and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**

### Epistle

**Romans 8:1-11**

<sup>1</sup>There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup>For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup>in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. <sup>5</sup>For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

<sup>6</sup>To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup>For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. <sup>8</sup>Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. <sup>9</sup>You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup>But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup>If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Lent Verse

*Joel 2:13*

**C** Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and  
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in  
stead-fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

### Holy Gospel

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eleventh chapter.

**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

## Holy Gospel Reading

John 11:1-53

<sup>1</sup>Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup>It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup>So the sisters sent to him, saying, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." <sup>4</sup>But when Jesus heard it he said, "This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." <sup>5</sup>Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. <sup>6</sup>So, when he heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. <sup>7</sup>Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." <sup>8</sup>The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?" <sup>9</sup>Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. <sup>10</sup>But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him." <sup>11</sup>After saying these things, he said to them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awaken him." <sup>12</sup>The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover." <sup>13</sup>Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. <sup>14</sup>Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus has died, <sup>15</sup>and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." <sup>16</sup>So Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." <sup>17</sup>Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. <sup>18</sup>Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, <sup>19</sup>and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. <sup>20</sup>So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. <sup>21</sup>Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup>But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." <sup>23</sup>Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." <sup>24</sup>Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." <sup>25</sup>Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, <sup>26</sup>and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" <sup>27</sup>She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world." <sup>28</sup>When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." <sup>29</sup>And when she

heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him. <sup>31</sup>When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. <sup>32</sup>Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. <sup>34</sup>And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup>Jesus wept. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?" <sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup>When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." <sup>44</sup>The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." <sup>45</sup>Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him, <sup>46</sup>but some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. <sup>47</sup>So the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered the Council and said, "What are we to do? For this man performs many signs. <sup>48</sup>If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation." <sup>49</sup>But one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said to them, "You know nothing at all. <sup>50</sup>Nor do you understand that it is better for you that one man should die for the people, not that the whole nation should perish." <sup>51</sup>He did not say this of his own accord, but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation, <sup>52</sup>and not for the nation only, but also to gather into one the children of God who are scattered abroad. <sup>53</sup>So from that day on they made plans to put him to death.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

**Nicene Creed**

**LSB p. 191**

**Teaching the Faith from the Catechism, Daily Prayers**

**How the head of the family should teach his household to pray:**

**Asking a Blessing**

**P** *The children and members of the household shall go to the table reverently, fold their hands, and say:*

**C** **The eyes of all look to You, [O LORD,] and You give them their food at the proper time. You open Your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing. (Ps. 145: 15-16)**

**P** *Then shall be said the Lord's Prayer and the following:*

**C** **Lord God, heavenly Father, bless us and these Your gifts which we receive from Your bountiful goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**Children's Message**

**Hymn of the Day**

**LSB 741 Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense (Stz. 1-4)**

**Sermon**

**"I Am the Resurrection and the Life - Do You Believe This?"**

**(John 11:1-53)**

**Offering, Offertory**

**LSB p. 192-193**

**Prayer of the Church**

*Following each prayer read aloud ending "Lord in Your Mercy," the congregation may respond "Hear our prayer."*

**Service of the Sacrament**

**LSB p. 194-202**

## Distribution Hymns

LSB 430 My Song Is Love Unknown

LSB 575 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

LSB 752 Be Still, My Soul

Post-Communion Canticle Nunc Dimittis

LSB p. 199

Thanksgiving and Post-Communion Collect

LSB p. 200

Salutation, Benedicamus and Benediction

LSB p. 201-202

Closing Hymn

LSB 741 Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense (Stz. 5-8)

Announcements

*Go in peace, serve the Lord! Thanks be to God!*

*Note today, in place of fellowship-time treats, there is a special event:*

# Christian Passover Seder Meal



### **Today! After the Divine Service!**

An interactive, educational meal with music, readings and of course food!

Meet us in the Fellowship Hall

If you haven't signed up to attend, and would like to, see Carrie Horstman.

Prince of Peace News and Notes for March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

**Serving the Lord and One Another Today:** *Accompanist:* Deb Dunnun, *Song Leaders:* Brooklynn Scholze; *Ushers:* Dan & Kari Moen; *Money Counters:* Elaine Schmidt, Barb Alsobrooks; *Acolyte:* Elska Sheffer; *Altar Guild for March:* Sharie Brunk and Lizbeth Novak

**Serving the Lord and One Another Next Sunday:** *Song Leaders:* Holy Ford; *Ushers:* Randy & DeAnne Otto; *Money Counters:* Deb Dunnun, Lori Peters; *Acolyte:* Caleb Kolander; *Altar Guild for April:* Elaine Schmidt, Ginny Emmons

**Our Response to God’s Gifts**

Last Week’s Attendance, Sun & Mon: 17 (\* Snowstorm)  
 Weekly Need 2026 Budget: \$3,172.46  
 Week of March 15<sup>th</sup> Offering: \$2,019.00  
 (Full Financials are posted on the kiosk in the lobby.)

**THIS WEEK AT PRINCE OF PEACE**

<i>Today</i>	<b>9:00 am..... Divine Service with Holy Communion</b> <i>after ..... Note: No fellowship time snacks</i> <b>10:30 am..... Christian Passover Seder Meal</b> 11:30 am..... Catechesis Class
<b>Mon. Mar. 23</b>	<b>7:00 pm .....Divine Worship Service with Holy Communion</b>
Tue. Mar. 24	<i>Note: ..... No New Member Class</i>
<b>Wed. Mar. 25</b>	<i>Note: ..... No Bible Study</i> 6:00 pm .....Soup Supper Potluck Style <b>7:00 pm ..... Lenten Evening Prayer Service</b> <i>after .....POP Choir</i>
Thur. Mar. 26	<i>Note:..... No New Member Class</i>
Sat. Mar. 28	9:00 am..... Women’s Bible Study (online)
<b>Sun. Mar. 29</b>	<b>9:00 am..... Palm Sunday Divine Service with Holy Communion</b>

## LENTEN MIDWEEKS AT POP



Join us Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, at 7 p.m. (meal at 6 p.m.) with the service of Evening Prayer as we consider the next pair in the Table of Duties: "To Workers of All Kinds" Please join us! **All welcome also for our Lent Supper at 6 p.m. before the mid-week Prayer Services! Pot-luck food sign-up on the table for the Wednesdays through the Lenten season.**

**On Sunday, March 29th** If you need a little help with your baked goods for Easter, check out our LWML **Bake Sale** on Sunday, March 29th. It will take place after the church service in the Fellowship Room.



**On Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>** We celebrate the risen Lord together! **Easter Breakfast** between the 6am Sunrise and the 9am Divine Services. This is pot-luck style. Looking for Maine Dish, Fruit, Beverages and other goodies! Sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex.



### **BABY BOTTLES COLLECTIONS for Birthright**

The last date to contribute to Birthright is today, March 22. Anyone who has a bottle at home or placed one out in the community should get it to Deb Dunnun as soon as possible as bottles will be collected by Birthright very soon.

See Deb Dunnun if you have follow-up questions.

Thank you for your support in this effort!



# HOLY WEEK


**PALM SUNDAY**  
**DIVINE SERVICE: 9 AM**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY**  
**DIVINE SERVICE: 7 PM**

**GOOD FRIDAY**  
**TENEBRAE VESPERS: 7 PM**

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## THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD



**HOLY SATURDAY**  
**EASTER VIGIL - 7 PM**

**EASTER SUNRISE**  
**DIVINE SERVICE - 6 AM**

**EASTER DAY**  
**DIVINE SERVICE - 9 AM**

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## **Bible Studies at Prince of Peace**

•**Sunday Adult Bible Study (10:30 a.m.), THE APOCRYPHA** As Lutherans, how should we regard the Apocrypha? You know, those “books not held equal to the Scriptures but useful and good to read,” as Martin Luther says. Oddly enough, and contrary to popular belief, Luther did include the apocryphal books in his German Luther Bible. We will explore what we, as Lutherans, think about the Apocryphal Books.

•**Wednesday Morning Bible Study (9:30 a.m.), ISAIAH** Like Israel of old, we, too, sometimes look to other “gods” for help in time of need. We obey God’s Law – when it’s convenient and when we’re afraid of getting caught. Our love is halfhearted, and our other sins, many. The Law thunders from Isaiah’s pages as the Prophet reminds us that we can’t fool God. But in the pages of Isaiah, the prophet brings comfort and hope, especially as he describes the coming Savior.

•**Selected Tuesdays, at Features (5:00pm), Men’s Bible Study NAHUM** We are beginning a new study focused on three minor prophets: Nahum, Habakkuk and Zephania. The people of Assyria were notorious for their brutality, and they believed that their kingdom would last forever. Nahum’s words brought comfort to the people of Judah, who lived in fear of the Assyrians. Those who feared this cruel nation needed to do so no longer for the Lord would protect and deliver His people. *\*\*Meets again in April after Easter\*\**

•**Saturday’s Online, Women’s Bible Study (9:00am), PROMISED HOPE** – After finishing Promised Rest by Michelle Diercks, we are turning to another study by the same author, Promised Hope. Participants will discover what eight different names and characteristics of God say about who He is and the hope He promises. See Deb Dunnum or Carrie Horstman about how to join online.

*Weekly Life Thought from Lutherans for Life - Jesus is the “resurrection and the life” (John 11:25), the one true God who raises the dead from their graves and gives them new life (Ezekiel 37:5-6). Everything Jesus has said and done testifies that He gives, sustains, and loves life. It is inconceivable to think that Jesus, who raised Lazarus from the tomb and who died to “give life to our mortal bodies” (Romans 8:11), would approve of the murder of any innocent person, regardless of their size or condition.*

**CONCORDIA PUBLISHING HOUSE -ORDER?** – The church is getting ready to prepare an order with CPH. Discounts and sale items available. Visit the Website at CPH.org for shopping. Also, there is a limited item printed catalog on the counter by the mailboxes for browsing. Send an email to OFFICE@wspop.org if interested or leave a note at the church office.

**BUILDING A LAWN MOWING TEAM** – There’s a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex if you would be willing to be in the rotation to mow the church’s property. See Randy Otto if you have follow-up questions.

**THANK YOU** to those who recently donated items to the POP Food Pantry collection. Recently, donations were taken to the Ecumenical Food Pantry in Sparta. The staff and patrons were very appreciative! FYI, we need someone to step up and take our donations out to the community distribution places on a regular basis. See Pastor Adelsen or leave a note at the church office if this is you!

**PRAYER CHAIN POP PRAYS!** - Do you know that Prince of Peace has an email prayer chain? If you have a prayer request or want to be on the prayer chain to pray for others, please email Bill Stichman. We rejoice always, pray without ceasing, giving thanks in all circumstances. [wstichman@charter.net](mailto:wstichman@charter.net)

#### **SUPPORTING THE LEYH FAMILY AT CTSFW**

*The Lord continues to answer the prayers of His Church to  
“send out laborers into His harvest” (Matthew 9:38).*

Josh Leyh, a member of Prince of Peace, has begun studying for the Office of the Holy Ministry at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne this academic year. As he, along with his wife Faith and pre-school age son Peter, takes up this task, we, as Christ’s flock at Prince of Peace, are encouraged to support the Leyhs in every possible way through prayer, encouragement, and financial support. Throughout his seminary education, please consider financially supporting the Leyh family through the Concordia Theological Seminary Adopt-A-Student program. Prince of Peace has placed out a special offering box for the Leyh family in the narthex.

When Pastor Adelsen was studying to be a pastor at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, their Adopt-A-Student program was greatly beneficial to him and Melissa. Pastor has been forever grateful to the congregations and individuals that supported him while in seminary.

Personal updates from Peter printed and posted on the bulletin board here at church on bulletin board on the way into the Fellowship Hall.

## One Thing's Needful

*In Luke 10:42, Jesus says, "one thing is needful," referring to the importance of prioritizing time with God and listening to his word, as exemplified by Mary, over being consumed by worldly tasks like Martha's serving. It emphasizes that nurturing one's spiritual life through intimacy with God is more essential than getting caught up in external activities, even those done with good intentions.*

**INVOCATION** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**INTROIT** Page 3

**MEDITATION** Psalm 130 – Martin Luther highly revered Psalm 130, labeling it a "Pauline Psalm" and a "master and doctor of Scripture" because it perfectly encapsulates the gospel message of justification by grace alone. He considered it a primary text on the forgiveness of sins and often sang it, paraphrasing it into his famous hymn "From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee".

### DAILY READINGS

Lent 5	Ex 1:1-22	Mark 14:12-31
Monday	Ex 2:1-22	Mark 14:32-52
Tuesday	Ex 2:23 – 3:22	Mark 14:53-72
Wednesday	Ex 4:1-18	Mark 15:1-15
Thursday	Ex 4:19-31	Mark 15:16-32
Friday	Ex 5:1 – 6:1	Mark 15:33-47
Saturday	Ex 7:1-25	Mark 16:1-20

### IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

- That those wandering from the Body of Christ would return to His fold
- The Leyh family, Josh and Faith, and their pre-school age son Peter currently attending Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne Indiana.
- Pray for: Gary & Marietta Adelsen, Barb Alsobrooks, Travis Glick, Bill & Sal Stichman, Tom Schran, Jeff Schmidt, Olivia Gosset (Melissa Adelsen's cousin), Scott Roscovious, Jeramy Schaub

**LEARN BY HEART** John 11:25 *"I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live."*

**COLLECT** Page 4

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**BENEDICTION** *The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.* (Numbers 6:24-26)

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** Jn. 12:12-19; Is. 50:4-9; Phil. 2:5-11; Mt. 27:11-66