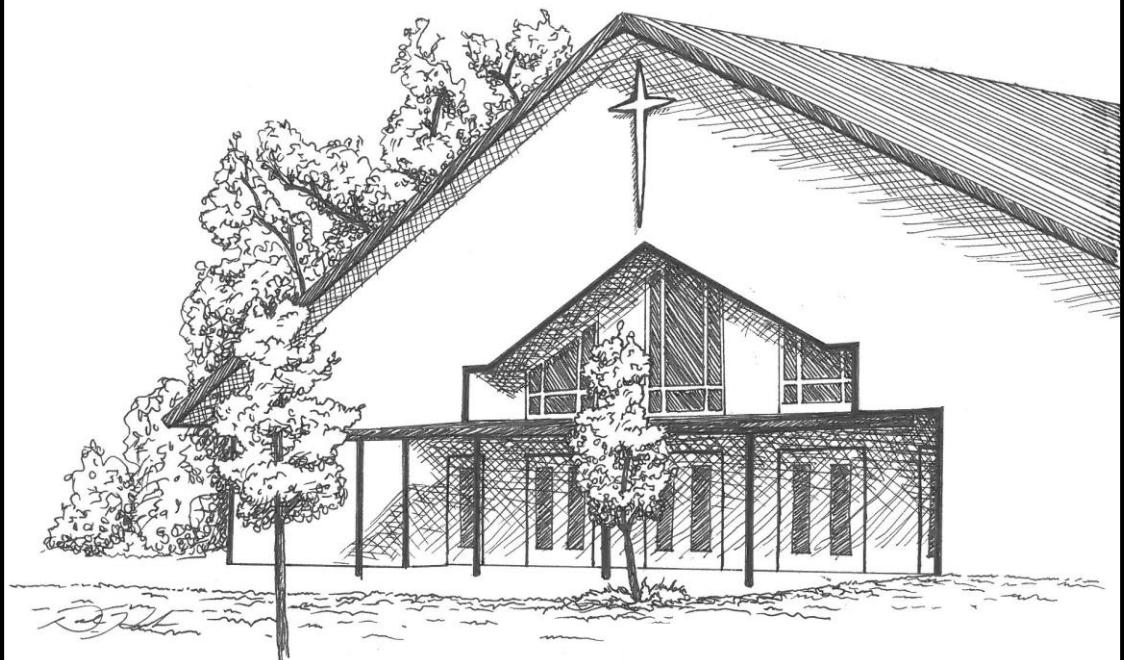


# Celebration Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod



**First Sunday in Lent  
Divine Service Three  
February 22, 2026**

Take this bulletin home and use it for prayer,  
Scripture reading, and encouragement throughout the week.

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# Welcome to Celebration Lutheran Church

You have entered a holy place where Christ serves His people. In the Divine Service, He forgives sins, feeds the faithful, and strengthens His Church through Word and Sacrament. He does this to prepare us to live by faith, love our neighbor, and bear witness in the world.

Whether you are a lifelong Lutheran, a visitor, or new to the faith, **we are glad you are here.** May you receive His mercy, His promises, and His peace.

## What to Know Before Receiving the Lord's Supper

### Closed Communion Statement

We believe, teach, and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ is truly present in the Sacrament of the Altar. His body and blood are given in, with, and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, just as He says: “This is My body... this is My blood” (Matthew 26:26–28).

In faithfulness to God’s Word and in care for all who commune, we practice closed communion. All who are baptized, instructed, and confirmed members of this congregation or of a congregation in fellowship with the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are welcome to receive the Sacrament. In receiving the Lord’s Supper, we not only receive Christ’s gifts but also confess a shared faith.

Communion is not a general Christian right. It is an invitation to the holy banquet, and our Lord calls us to be prepared, clothed in faith and understanding. Scripture warns, “Whoever eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself” (1 Corinthians 11:29).

Those not communing today may come forward for a blessing by crossing their arms. Before communing, Luther’s Small Catechism encourages each Christian to ask:

Do I believe I am a sinner?

Do I believe in Christ and His words in the Sacrament?

Do I intend, with God’s help, to turn from sin?

If you have questions, Pastor Keinbaum or one of the Elders would be glad to speak with you.

## Processional Hymn

Jesus, Refuge of the Weary

LSB 423



1 Je - sus, ref - uge of the wea - ry, Blest Re - deem - er,  
2 Do we pass that cross un - heed - ing, Breath - ing no re -  
3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing With more fer - vent



whom we love, Foun - tain in life's des - ert drea - ry, Sav - ior  
pen - tant vow, Though we see You wound-ed, bleed - ing, See Your  
love for You; May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing To be -



from the world a - bove: Of - ten have Your eyes, of - fend - ed,  
thorn-en - cir - cled brow? Yet Your sin - less death has brought us  
hold Your cross a - new Till in glo - ry, part - ed nev - er



Gazed up - on the sin - ner's fall; Yet up - on the  
Life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest; On - ly what Your  
From the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, Grav - en in our



cross ex - tend - ed, You have borne the pain of all.  
grace has taught us Calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.  
hearts for - ev - er, Dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied.

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## Confession and Absolution

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the **☩** Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** **Amen.**

¶ Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

¶ Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
C **who made heaven and earth.**

¶ I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Kneel/Stand*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

¶ O almighty God, merciful Father,  
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

¶ Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

*Stand*

## **Service of the Word**

### **Introit**

Psalm 91:9–13; antiphon: vv. 15–16

When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in | trouble;\*

I will rescue him and | honor him.

With long life I will sat- | isfy him\*

and show him my sal- | vation.

Because you have made the LORD your | dwelling place—\*

the Most High, who is my | refuge—

no evil shall be allowed to be- | fall you,\*

no plague come | near your tent.

For he will command his angels con- | cerning you\*

to guard you in | all your ways.  
 On their hands they will | bear you up,\*  
 lest you strike your foot a- | gainst a stone.  
 You will tread on the lion and the | adder;\*  
 the young lion and the serpent you will trample | underfoot.  
 When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in | trouble;\*  
 I will rescue him and | honor him.  
 With long life I will sat- | isfy him\*  
 and show him my sal- | vation.



**C** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



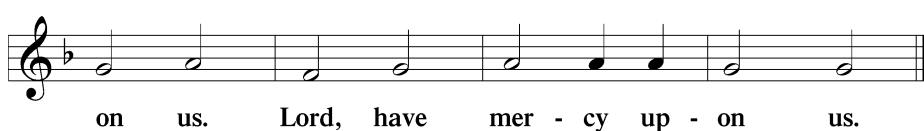
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

### Kyrie

LSB 186



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



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

### Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



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



**P** Let us pray.

¶ O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Sit*

### **Old Testament Reading**

Genesis 3:1–21

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.

He said to the woman, “Did God actually say, ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?’” And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.’” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.” He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.” Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

The LORD God said to the serpent,

“Because you have done this,  
cursed are you above all livestock  
and above all beasts of the field;  
on your belly you shall go,

and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.  
I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and her offspring;  
he shall bruise your head,  
and you shall bruise his heel.”

To the woman he said,

“I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing;  
in pain you shall bring forth children.  
Your desire shall be for your husband,  
and he shall rule over you.”

And to Adam he said,

“Because you have listened to the voice of your wife  
and have eaten of the tree  
of which I commanded you,  
‘You shall not eat of it,’  
cursed is the ground because of you;  
in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life;  
thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you;  
and you shall eat the plants of the field.

By the sweat of your face  
you shall eat bread,  
till you return to the ground,  
for out of it you were taken;  
for you are dust,  
and to dust you shall return.”

The man called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

**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, despis- | ing the shame,\*  
and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

## Epistle

Romans 5:12–19

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. If, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

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

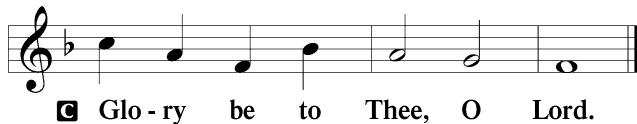
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 4:1–11

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.



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

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. And the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” But he answered, “It is written,

“Man shall not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.”

Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written,

“He will command his angels concerning you,’

and

“On their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you strike your foot against a stone.”

Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’” Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. And he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” Then Jesus said to him, “Be gone, Satan! For it is written,

“You shall worship the Lord your God  
and him only shall you serve.”

Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

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



### Apostles' Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence 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.

*Sit*

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God sts. 1–4

LSB 657



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, A sword and shield vic -  
2 No strength of ours can match his might. We would be lost, re -  
3 Though hordes of dev - il's fill the land All threat'ning to de -  
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, No thanks to foes, who



to - rious; He breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod And wins sal -  
ject - ed. But now a cham-pion comes to fight, Whom God Him -  
vour us, We trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; They can - not  
fear it; For God Him-self fights by our side With weap-ons



va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe Has sworn to  
self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be? The Lord of  
o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage; In bat - tle  
of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house, Goods, hon - or,



work us woe. With craft and dread - ful might He  
hosts is He, Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord, God's  
we'll en - gage. His might is doomed to fail; God's  
child, or spouse, Though life be wrenched a - way, They



arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
can - not win the day. The King-dom's ours for - ev - er!

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**Sermon**

*Stand*

## Offertory

LSB 192



Music notation for the Offertory hymn. The music is in common time, G clef, and B-flat key signature. The lyrics are as follows:

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

*Sit*

## Offering

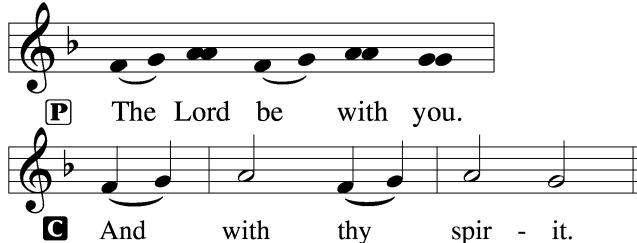
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## Prayer of the Church

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

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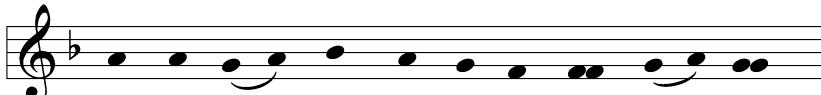
P The Lord be with you.  
C And with thy spir - it.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary...praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

LSB 195



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

**C** 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.

**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.  
Amen.

## The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

### Pax Domini

LSB 197



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

### Agnus Dei

LSB 198



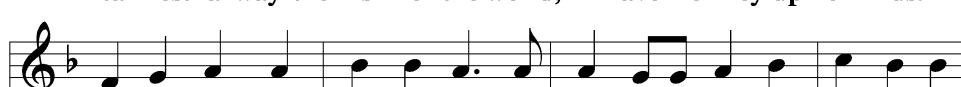
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



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



Sit

## Distribution

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face sts. 1–4, 7

LSB 631



1 Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;  
 2 Here would I feed up - on the bread of God,  
 3 This is the hour of ban - quet and of song;  
 4 I have no help but Thine; nor do I need  
 7 Feast af - ter feast thus comes and pass - es by,



Here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;  
 Here drink with Thee the roy - al wine of heav'n;  
 This is the heav'n - ly ta - ble spread for me;  
 An - oth - er arm but Thine to lean up - on.  
 Yet, pass - ing, points to that glad feast a - bove,



Here grasp with firm - er hand the e - ter - nal grace,  
 Here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,  
 Here let me feast and, feast - ing, still pro - long  
 It is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;  
 Giv - ing sweet fore - taste of the fes - tal joy,



And all my wea - ri - ness up - on Thee lean.  
 Here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - giv'n.  
 The brief bright hour of fel - low - ship with Thee.  
 My strength is in Thy might, Thy might a - lone.  
 The Lamb's great mar - riage feast of bliss and love.

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## Wide Open Stand the Gates

LSB 639

1. Wide o - pen stand the gates a - doned with pearl, While  
 2. He speaks the Word the bread and wine to bless: "This  
 3. The cher - u - bim, their fac - es veiled from light, While  
 round God's gold - en throne The choirs of saints in  
 is My flesh and blood!" He bids us eat and  
 saints in won - der kneel, Sing praise to Him whose  
 end - less cir - cles curl, And joy - ous praise the Son!  
 drink with thank - ful - ness This gift of ho - ly food.  
 face with glo - ry bright No earth - ly masks con - seal.  
 They watch Him now de - scand - ing To vis - it wait-ing earth.  
 All hu - man thought must fal - ter—Our God stoops low to heal,  
 This sac - ra - ment God gives us Binds us in u - ni - ty,  
 The Lord of Life un - end - ing Brings dy - ing hope new birth!  
 Now pres - ent on the al - tar, For us both host and meal!  
 Joins earth with heav'n be - yond us, Time with e - ter - ni - ty!"

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*Stand*

## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-  
 cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
 people Is - rael. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
 to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A-men.

## Thanksgiving

LSB 200

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
 and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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.



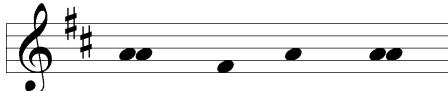
**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spirit.

## Benedicamus

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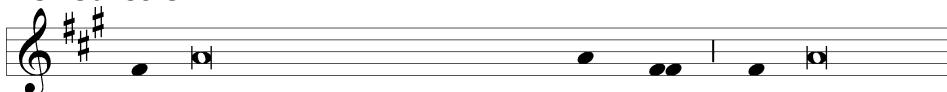
**A** Bless we the Lord.



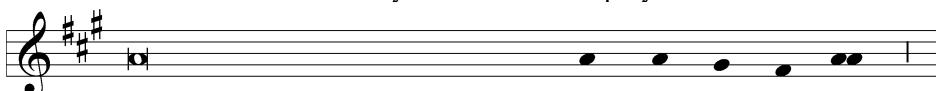
**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

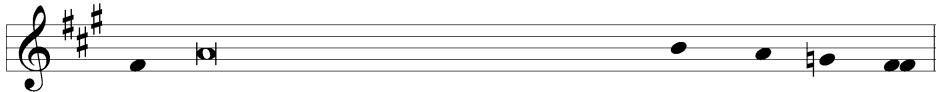
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**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

## In the Cross of Christ I Glory

LSB 427

1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing  
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -  
3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing Light and  
4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure By the

o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sa - cred  
ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -  
love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - diance  
cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no

sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.  
sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.  
stream-ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.  
mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.

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## LIFE TOGETHER AT CELEBRATION

**PLEASE NOTE:** Some portions of the Service Bulletin are being removed in order to reduce printing costs.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** continues on Mondays at 7:00 pm.

**LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICES** continue Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. Join us as we gather around God's Word during the season of Lent, reflecting on Christ's sacrifice and the forgiveness won for us at the cross.

**NAMING COMMITTEE UPDATE** Laura Micalizzi, Chaplain Glenndon Gentner, and Kenny Lovelady have been entrusted to lead us through the process of renaming our church. Traditionally, a name is chosen by the congregation to honor a specific individual (or being) which may come from the Holy Scripture or a church father. In addition names are sometimes connected to themes like "grace" or "faith." We as a group have given a great deal of thought into potential names, but would now like to ask if there are any church names you would like to recommend before the voting commences. Please submit any, and with any rationale you'd like to have considered, to [president@celebrationlutheran.org](mailto:president@celebrationlutheran.org) by February 28!

**SERVE AND PROTECT: Join Our Health and Safety Team.** Our Safety Team is expanding, and we are looking for watchful, reliable and able volunteers (must be at least 16 years old) to join our ranks. No prior experience or training is required. This team works quietly to monitor our facilities, assist with medical needs, and provide peace of mind to our Church family. If you have a heart for service and a desire to keep our church a secure, safe and welcoming environment, please join us! Please see or contact Larry Micalizzi at [healthandsafety@celebrationlutheran.org](mailto:healthandsafety@celebrationlutheran.org).

**CHRIST'S CUPBOARD:** The Pantry needs to stock up! Important needs include cereal, breakfast mixes such as pancakes, syrup, instant potatoes, ready-to-eat meals, canned tuna and canned chicken. We also need plastic and paper grocery bags. Thank you.

**NEW ADULT BIBLE STUDY** *continues today* at 11:30 in the sanctuary. This study will focus on Martin Luther's Large Catechism, offering an opportunity for us to explore the foundations of our Christian faith. All adults are invited to join us for study, discussion and fellowship.

**PLEASE DOWNLOAD our app using this QR code or visit our website for current and upcoming events.**



## FEBRUARY CALENDAR

22	9:00 am	Bible Study led by Pastor Keinbaum
22	9:45 am	Coffee & Service Preparation
22	10:15 am	Divine Service Three
22	11:30 am	<b><i>Confirmation Class</i></b>
22	11:30 am	Apologetics Class for Teens
22	11:30 am	Adult Bible Study
23	7:00 pm	Women's Bible Study – Fellowship Room
24	8:00 am	Christ's Cupboard Preparation

24	6:00 pm	Grief Share Group
25	8:00 am	Christ's Cupboard Distribution (Volunteers Welcome!)
25	3:30-5:30 pm	Pastor Keinbaum's Office Hours
25	6:30 pm	Lent service
25	7:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal
26	6:30 pm	AA Meeting
28	7:30 am	AA Meeting