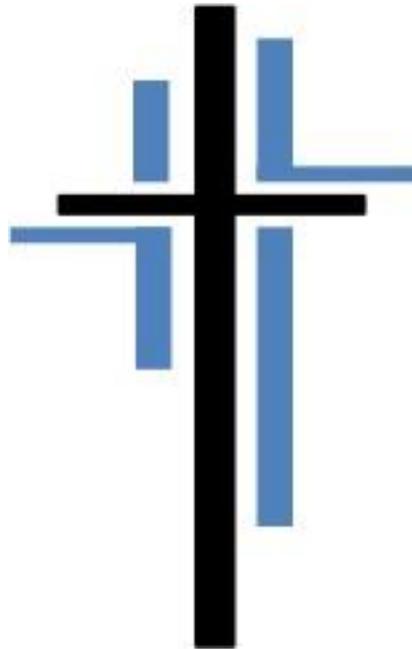


Email blast for Sunday, February 28, 2021



## **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent**

### **Kent Memorial Lutheran Church**

184 Sunset Hill Drive  
Sunrise Beach, Missouri 65079

**The Rev. Edward L. Foster, Pastor**

**February 28, 2021**

Hearing God's Call & Responding in Love,  
We Share Jesus With All!

**FROM PASTOR ED**

*"Take up your Cross, the Savior said, if you would my disciple be; forsake the past, and come this day, and humbly follow after me."*

Our lives do indeed come with crosses to carry. Burdens, pains and suffering are especially a part of the life of faith, which is shaped by our savior who not only preceded us to the cross but joins us there as we

give ourselves in love. Our Lenten journey continues with our Sunday and mid-week services and the talents of many of our congregation who will inspire us with word and song.

**OUR 10:00 a.m. WORSHIP IS AVAILABLE VIA ZOOM:**

To join a worship service, please contact the church at 573-374-5267.

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

The second covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the one made with Abraham and Sarah: God's promise to make them the ancestors of many, with whom God will remain in everlasting covenant. Paul says this promise comes to all who share Abraham's faith in the God who brings life into being where there was no life. We receive this baptismal promise of resurrection life in faith. Sarah and Abraham receive new names as a sign of the covenant, and we too get new identities in baptism, as we put on Christ.

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**Prelude** *Old Rugged Cross*, arr. R. W. Thygerson Joyce Wanamaker  
*You are invited to use this time of musical offering to prepare for worship, to open yourself to God, our Father, his Son, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, present in this place.*

### Welcome

*Congregation please stand*

### Call to Worship

P: O God, there are so many voices that call to us daily. They call us to compete for our trust and allegiance. As we hear these voices, help us to listen only to the voice of your Son, that empowered by your Spirit we may faithfully follow him now and always.

**C: Amen.**

### Confession and Forgiveness

P: Trusting in the Word of life given in baptism, we are gathered in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us return to our gracious and merciful God, confessing our need for healing.

Gracious God,

**C: Have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive our sins, known and unknown, things done and things left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: Almighty God looks upon us in mercy and by water and the word joins us to the saving death of Jesus Christ. Through the Holy Spirit Go raises us to new life. I therefore declare unto you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

**Gathering Hymn** (spoken)

*God Loved the World*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

**Liturgy** (spoken)

**Kyrie**

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For this holy house and for all who offer their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**Prayer of the Day**

**All: O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Congregation may be seated*

**First Reading**

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 22:23-31** (*Congregation reads responsively*)

<sup>23</sup>You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory.

Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.

<sup>24</sup>**For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hidden from them;**

**but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.**

<sup>25</sup>From you comes my praise in the great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

<sup>26</sup>**The poor shall eat and be satisfied,**

**Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!**

<sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;

all the families of nations shall bow before God.

<sup>28</sup>**For dominion belongs to the LORD,**

**who rules over the nations.**

<sup>29</sup>Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship;

all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.

<sup>30</sup>**Their descendants shall serve the LORD,**

**whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.**

<sup>31</sup>They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, "The LORD has acted!"

**Second Reading**

Romans 4:13-25

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Announcement**

Pastor Ed Foster

P: The gospel according to Mark, the eighth chapter

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Congregation please stand*

**Gospel Reading**

Mark 8:31-38

P: The Gospel of the Lord

**C: Praise to you, O Christ**

*Congregation may be seated*

**Sermon**

Pastor Ed Foster

**Hymn of the Day** (spoken)

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

*Congregation please stand*

**Profession of Faith–Apostle’s Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

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

**The Prayers**

P: Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

**Presentation of Our Offerings**

**Offering Prayer**

P: God of steadfast love,

**C: at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **Holy Communion**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choir of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

## **Words of Institution**

### **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.**

*Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given with bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us to eat and drink. All believers are welcome at the Lord's table.*

### **Distribution** (please open your communion packet)

P: The body of Christ given for you.

The blood of Christ shed for you.

*Congregation please stand*

### **Post-Communion Prayer**

### **Benediction**

*Congregation may be seated*

### **Announcements**

### **Sending Hymn** (spoken)

*Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus*

### **The Dismissal**

P: Hearing God's call and responding in love,

**C: we share Jesus with all!**

### **Postlude**

*Standing in the Need of Prayer*, arr. F. Lopez

Joyce Wanamaker

## WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor .....Ed Foster  
Organist/Pianist .....Joyce Wanamaker  
Choir Director.....Tracy Garrett  
Handbells Director..... Katie Heaford

### 10:00 AM

Altar Guild..... Katie Heaford  
Greeters/Ushers .....Lynn & Joyce Burke  
Lector..... Kathy Fair  
Sound & Zoom Technician.....Gail Kruse

## COMING THIS WEEK

February 28-March 7

Today	9:15 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	Virtual Fellowship Time (on Zoom)
Monday	9:30 a.m.	Evangelism Committee
	6:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Altar Guild
		WELCA – Crafts
	11:00 a.m.	WELCA Business Meeting
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Midweek Lenten Service
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Men’s Devotion & Bible Study
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School & Bible Study for all ages
		Handbells Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	In-Person Fellowship (coffee & donuts)

## ✝ *Prayer Concerns* ✝

### OUR MEMBERS

Barb Gidley – recovering from shoulder surgery February 24  
Ken Gerardy—health concerns  
Shirley Clark— recovering at Arrowhead Senior Living

### OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS

Bonnie Blafka—blood clots in right leg (choir member & friend of Kent)  
Marcille Bohling – heart concerns (Eldeen Hanke’s sister)  
Lisa Lind—continued brain cancer reduction (Kat Lacroix’s niece)  
Jerry Green --- serious health concerns (Carol Hanson’s brother)

Marge Simmons—serious health concerns (Nancy Larson’s sister-in-law)

Wayne Collmeyer— serious accident, in rehab for nerve damage (friend of Nancy Larson)

*Christian condolences and hope are extended to Nancy Larson on the death of her brother, Bill Simmons, on February 9.*

### **CONTINUED PRAYERS**

Mary Bowton

Delaney Brumm

J.C. Buck

Jim Clements

Bill Corliss

Kelly Covey

Dave Deily

Marianne Howley

Kay Hunt

Linda Kimberling

Keith Kresse

Kathy Kresse

Jim Lane

Jane Needles

Julie Patterson

Helen Pragman

Diane Reams

Sandy Robinson

Loren Saathoff

Pat Shank

Ellie Torres

Rose Marie Unrein

Joan Wilken

Clarion Winzenburg

Bob Worthley

Barb Yount

### **REMEMBERING THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY**

Christopher Babcock

Eric Blomberg

Ben Brammeier

Shade Bullock

Aaron Davis

Tanner Glodt

Kristine Hubbard

Jason Ites

Jason Judge

Nathan Karls

Adam Kralina

Jordan Lindeman

Glenn Maddock

Tristan Morgan

Adam Peterson

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 28**

**WELCOME TO KENT MEMORIAL** Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. Communion is open to all who believe that Jesus Christ is our savior. Personal hearing assistance devices are available in the sanctuary sound room. First time here? Please introduce yourself to Pastor at the end of the service.

**CARE CORE** for March is Kathy Fair, 319-350-2901.

**MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICES** will continue this week with “Thy Will Be Done: Nathan.” The service will be at 6pm and will be shared on Zoom, as well.

**COFFEE AND DONUTS RETURNS** On March 7 we will again have coffee and donuts in the fellowship hall following worship. Safety protocols will be followed. Please sign up in the fellowship hall to host the coffee time and to pick up donuts.

**2021 EASTER PAGEANT *He Is Risen!*** Easter is Sunday, April 4. Kent Memorial brings the Easter story to life for the community at 8:30 a.m. on Easter morning.

**CAST MEMBERS NEEDED!** This performance takes lots of cast members, both in front of the “wall of Jerusalem” and behind the scenes. Want to get in on the action? Rehearsals begin soon! New cast members are always welcome! If you have questions—or are ready to sign up—contact Gail Kruse, 573-286-0562. And bring your friends!

**WELCA** will meet Tuesday, March 2, 11:00 a.m.

**BLUE BOX NEEDS** Your generosity in the year 2020 helped feed 352 families. Remember the goal for each month is 200 items. Thank you for sharing your gifts with others.

Ensure or some sort of protein drinks

Deodorant (men's & women's)

Cereals (hot & cold)

Canned Fruit (low sugar if possible)

Canned Chef Boy-R-Dee type meals

Hearty Soups

Diapers (size 4, 5 & 6) *Our babies are getting bigger!!!*

Condiments (catsup, mustard, salad dressing)

Chili & Taco seasonings

**A TABLE** between the main sets of doors into the church has individual communion servings, the latest newsletter, the phone directory, new daily devotional materials, and a lot more. Also, there is a basket for you to drop off your giving envelopes. If you need the door code, call Tracy in the church office, 573-374-5267, or on her cell at 214-206-5807. Or you may mail your offering to the church: Kent Memorial PO Box 155 Sunrise Beach, MO 65079

### **REMINDER--**

- We are worshipping in-person again. We are also Zooming every service.
- Masks are requested when in the church and for fellowship time/coffee & donuts
- Wednesday & Sunday bulletins are available in the entry, beside the communion sets.
- Communion will be celebrated every Sunday with the pre-filled wafer/cup combination. You may stop by the church to pick one up for the on-line service.
- Communication to members and friends will continue via weekly email blast concerning upcoming services and activities.