



**Abraham believed God,
and it was counted to him
as righteousness.**

Sunday, February 25, 2024

Second Sunday in Lent

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Worship Plan for Sunday, February 25, 2024

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LBW Holy Communion Setting Two

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (LBW p. 77)

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

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

ENTRANCE HYMN *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* (WOV 771)

GREETING (LBW p. 78)

KYRIE (LBW p. 78)

PRAYER OF THE DAY (LBW p. 82)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. . . .

Eternal God, it is your glory always to have mercy. Bring back all who have erred and strayed from your ways; lead them again to embrace in faith the truth of your Word and to hold it fast; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless.

²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.” ³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴“As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor

of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a

multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.” ¹⁵God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your

wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 22:22-30

²²Praise the LORD, you that fear him; stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob’s line, give glory.

²³**For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does he hide his face from them; but when they cry to him he hears them.**

²⁴My praise is of him in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

²⁵**The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: “May your heart live forever!”**

²⁶All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

²⁷ **For kingship belongs to the LORD; he rules over the nations.**

²⁸ To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust fall before him.

²⁹ **My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; they shall be known as the LORD's forever.**

³⁰ They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn the saving deeds that he has done.

SECOND LESSON: Romans 4:13-25

¹³ The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. ¹⁶ For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸ Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." ¹⁹ He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰ No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²² Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³ Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴ but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵ who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

**SING JESUS LOVES ME AND CHILDREN'S SERMON
LENTEN VERSE (LBW p. 83)**

GOSPEL: Mark 8:31-38

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 8th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹[Jesus] began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." ³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON "Good as Dead"

HYMN OF THE DAY *Borning Cry* (WOV 770)

BAPTISM SERVICE FOR BRISTOL ELAINE GOLDAMMER

***Children of the Heavenly Father* LBW 474 Verses 1&4**

APOSTLE'S CREED (LBW p. 85) (East Only)

THE PRAYERS

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN *Create in Me* (LBW p. 96)

OFFERTORY PRAYER (LBW p. 87)

Let us pray.

Merciful Father,

we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

DIALOGUE (LBW p. 87)

PREFACE (LBW p. 88)

SANCTUS (LBW p. 89)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD’S PRAYER

ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS WHO CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS LORD AND HIS PRESENCE IN THE BREAD AND WINE ARE WELCOME TO THE LORD’S TABLE.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

COMMUNION HYMNS

1-LAMB OF GOD (LBW p. 92)

2-Blessed Assurance WOV 699

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING (LBW p. 94)

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Three-Fold Amen (Sung)

ENDING HYMN “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” LBW 294

DISMISSAL

Go in peace and serve your neighbor.

Yes we will. Thanks be to God.

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Betty Jean Benjamin
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FRIENDS & FAMILY OF OUR MEMBERS

Dennis Riswold—Friend of the Community
Jay Vogt— Friend of the Community
Keith Fawcett—Kyla Fawcett's (Nesheim) father-in-law
Anita (Ana) Reategui—Friend of Jeff and Joan Boldt
James Langloss—Kim Questad's Uncle
Mattias Warne—Friend of the Community
Becky Berg—Sister-in-law of Dick Berg
Laurel Mader—Friend of Pastor Randall & Kim Questad
Marie Pazour– Mother of Karen Doom
Gordon Dierkson—Father of Gary Dierkson
Caroline Vollan– Aunt of Jimmie Vollan

Our Response to God's Love

Baltic: Feb 18: Attendance 39; General Fund \$1060.00 Noisy Can
\$32.11 Lent Offering \$224.00

East: Feb 18: Attendance 26; General Fund \$1070.00 Noisy Can
\$47.86 Lent Offering \$219.00

FEBRUARY NOISY CAN

Baltic: Baltic Fire Department

East: Baltic Fire Department

Sunday, February 25, 2024

Baltic	9:00 Worship and Live streamed on Facebook @ BalticLutheranChurch
East Nidaros	10:30 Worship

Things Happening Week of February 25th

Mon Feb 26	6:30pm Bible Study in Baltic
Wed Feb 28	Lenten Service @ East 5:30 meal, 6:30pm service
Wed Feb 28/ Thu Feb 29	9 am Newsletter and Easter Letter Assembly

Sunday, March 3, 2024

Baltic	9am Worship
East Nidaros	10:30 Worship and Livestreamed on Facebook @ EastNidarosLutheranChurch

Fellowship Coffee and Treats

BALTIC:

Feb 25 Dixie & Rick Fiala
Nikki Oien

EAST:

Feb 18 Adam & Tracy Peterson
& 25 Keith & Paula Harvey

BALTIC:

Mar 3 No Fellowship
Mar 10 Kaye & Terry Snow
Manda & Marc Sheaffer

EAST:

Mar 3 Dave & Connie Karl
& 10 Deb Larson
Mar 10 (Birthday Cake)

LENTEN OFFERING

Baltic: Vacation Bible School

East: Baltic Food Bank