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## With Great Joy we welcome into the family of faith at LCOL:

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## Celebrating Easter

### Easter Breakfast Donations Needed

1. Homemade Coffee Cakes
2. Fruit
3. Juice
4. Set Up Team (4 people) Saturday
5. Breakfast Team (2 more people)
6. Clean Up Team (6 People)

### Easter Fair 4Kids Donations

1. Hard-boiled eggs (for dying)
2. Frosting & Sprinkles
3. Wrapped Candy

Hey Kids! The Easter Bunny will be here.

**Breakfast and Fair are 9:30-10:30AM**  
**Sign up for donations at the Volunteer Center**

**Easter invitation cards are at the Volunteer Desk. Take one & invite a friend.**

## Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday—8:30 & 10:30 Worship  
Maundy Thursday—6:30PM Seder/Dinner/Worship  
Good Friday— 7:00PMTenabrae Service  
Easter Sunday—8:30 & 10:30 Worship, Breakfast & Easter Fair 9:30-10:30AM

## Easter Flowers

Easter Lilies for Sale! Cost is \$10 per plant  
Order forms are on the Volunteer Desk. Thank you!

**This Week at LCOL**

|        |               |  |
|--------|---------------|--|
| Sun.   | 8:30am        | Traditional Worship/Children's Worship             |
|        | 9:45am        | Coffee Connection<br>Adult Bible Studies/Catechism |
|        | 10:30am       | Praise Worship/Children's Worship                  |
| Mon.   |               |  |
| Tue.   | 10:00am       | Bible Study with Pastor                            |
|        | 10:45am       | Meals On Wheels—Julie Bauer<br>Patty Swanson       |
| Wed.   | 11:00am       | TOPS Group @ LCOL                                  |
| Thurs  | 9:00am        | Bible Babes  |
|        | 10:00am       | Prayer Shawl Knitting                              |
|        | <b>6:30pm</b> | <b>Maundy Thursday Seder/Communion</b>             |
| Friday | <b>7:00pm</b> | <b>Good Friday Tenebrae Service</b>                |
| Sat    | 9:00am        | Easter Decorating—Sanctuary                        |

**Serving in God's House Today**

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| Elders:             | Hal Schmidt & Bob Barth   |
| Altar:              | Paula Jordan  |
| Ushers:             | Steve Bauer, Bob Jacobs, Tom Shoup, Gordon Stites,<br>Bill Decker, Doug Morningstar, Clif Weber |
| Praise Team:        | Sue Weber, Christin Draa, Linda Baker, Cheryl<br>Bias, Ellie Bruton, Mike Blackmar, Louie Walch |
| Multi Media:        | Mike/Danny Tucker-Austin/James  |
| Greeters:           | Mike & Linda Coe/Jim & Renee Previch  |
| Lay Readers:        | Bill Langenderfer/Melody Kennedy  |
| Coffee Connection:  | Team David  |
| Children's Message: | Ken Pollack   |
| Children's Worship: | Richard & Carol Moran   |

**Celebrating Our Families**

**Birthdays**

|      |   |
|------|---|
| 3/25 | Brenda Kania<br>Karen Rose<br>Carey Schaeffer |
| 3/27 | Keelie Hooks<br>Alberta Pendley               |
| 3/29 | Neil Jacobs                                   |
| 3/30 | David Jordan<br>Earl Witte                    |

**Including them in Prayer**

**Anniversaries**

3/20 Richard & Carol Moran

**Petitions**

- † Jacob Wiltse
- † Shut ins: Charlie Cox, Joe Moran, Virginia Roesch, Marion Koehneke
- † Marcy Riley, Jackie Klinger cancer
- † Dan Tumusiime, deported to Uganda
- † Amy Allen, Donna Gray recovering/surgery

**Kids' Worship Volunteers**

Teacher Training Mtg. today at 9:45AM in the Children's Worship Center. Interested in joining a team once a month? Come!



**This is Charity Sunday**

**Catherine Cobb Shelter**- (CCS) is a haven for women & children who are being abused in their homes. The facility can house up to 35 women & children and has been at capacity for the last four years. A door offering will be taken after each service today.

**Thank You!**

For all who have given meals, lunches, fellowship time, laundry, money & prayers last week—**THANK YOU**, from the Outreach Team & the 'Homeless' at Share the Warmth. *"The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'" Matthew 25:40*

Margene Angerer wants to thank her family here at Lutheran Church of the Lakes for the many cards she received and prayers that were said for her. After 10 weeks, her eyesight is perfect. Praise God!

**Last Week @ LCOL**

**Attendance**

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Worship:          | 184 |
| Kids' Church:     | 8   |
| Adult Bible Study | 24  |

**Offerings**

|               |             |
|---------------|-------------|
| General Fund: | \$ 3,994.00 |
| Weekly Need:  | \$ 5,614.00 |
| Campaign:     | \$ 700.00   |



**To Date**

|               |              |
|---------------|--------------|
| General Fund: | \$ 55,637.47 |
| GF Budget:    | \$ 61,750.00 |
| Expenses:     | \$ 55,092.36 |
| Campaign:     | \$138,594.00 |

**Today's Worship ~ 8:30AM**

- Welcome
- Invocation, Confession & Absolution
- Opening Hymn 102 "All Glory, Laud & Honor"
- Sacrament of Holy Baptism/Reception of New Members
- The Liturgy
- The Old Testament Job 42:1-11
- Special Music "Lift Up Your Heads" The Choir
- The Epistle Hebrews 2:1-13
- The Gospel John 12:20-43
- Message Hymn 101 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"
- The Message "Why?! Our Pride & Our Scars"
- The Creed
- The Prayers
- The Offering
- Closing Hymn "Ride On in Majesty"
- The Closing Prayer & Blessing

**Today's Worship ~ 10:30AM**

**Coming Together**

"Hosanna, You are the God Who Saves Us"

Reception of New Members

**The Word**

Job 42:1-11

Hebrews 2:1-13

"Blessed Be Your Name!"

John 12:20-43

Children's Message

"God Will Lift Up Your Head"

The Message

"Why?! Our Pride & Our Scars"

Prayers

The Offering

**The Sacrament**

"Only By Grace"

"We Love Your Name"

"Today is the Day"

The Blessing



**Operation Christmas Child (OCC)**

The Board of Christian Care is offering an opportunity to get involved with OCC without having to fill a shoe box in November. Each month they collect one type of item to be used to fill boxes in November. This month is small toys: Jump Rope, Balls, small cars, dolls, etc. A box for these gifts & suggestions are on the Mission Desk.

**Welcome To Our Guests**

**We're glad you're here!**

You've heard it before and so have we: people think church is too boring, too intimidating, or just not relevant to their lives. We know the *opposite* to be true! Lutheran Church of the Lakes is a community dedicated to letting God's love in Jesus change our entire lives!

**What does that look like?** We are about loving a God who loved us first. We're about loving people the way He does. And we're about trusting in His promise to remake this world in His image --Eternal Love. Because of that, we want

**What about Holy Communion?**

We understand Communion to be more than just a symbol or a statement--it is a "means of grace." Like the Bible, it proclaims the fearful cost of our salvation, the depth of our Savior's love, and the perfect trust we can have because of Jesus' death and resurrection. It is an intimate moment where God himself is with us, and should never be taken lightly. For that reason, the Bible tells us: "A person ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink of the cup."

to get to know you. If you'd like to join us, or if there is anything we can do for you, please don't hesitate to ask Pastor Steve or any of our volunteers. We are here for you!

**Helpful info**

The Coffee Connection is available at 9:30AM in the parish hall which is back through the reception area and to your right. Restrooms & a water fountain are located in the hallway and in the parish hall.

For children, there are small bags with books, toy & a coloring page hanging on the stair wall to the left of the worship center.

We have a self-serve nursery at the back of the sanctuary. Changing tables are in both women's restrooms. Children ages 3 years through 4th grade are invited to the Children's Worship Center at both the 8:30 & 10:30 service times, and Kids' Connection at 9:45.



**Bible Study**

**Sundays:** 9:45 Led by Bill Langenderfer in the library

**2nd & 4th Monday:**  
Men's Breakfast @ Brooklyn Big Boy 6:30am.

**Every Tuesday:**  
"Thru the Bible" is led by Pastor every Tuesday at 10:00am at the church.

**Every Thursday**  
'Bible Babes' Thursdays @ 9:00am

**What about Money?**

We are a church. We invest in people. We aren't a business trying to increase it's bottom line. It's because of the faithful and regular giving of people like you that we continue to make a difference, equipping and encouraging people in our community and around the world. Is this your church? Give joyfully. Not sure yet? Relax and enjoy this time of worship. We aren't glad you're here because of your money. You're our guest and you matter (even if you don't know it yet).

## Scripture Readings

### Job 42:1-11

Then Job replied to the LORD: "I know that you can do all things; no purpose of yours can be thwarted. You asked, 'Who is this that obscures my plans without knowledge?' Surely I spoke of things I did not understand, things too wonderful for me to know.

You said, 'Listen now, and I will speak; I will question you, and you shall answer me.' My ears had heard of you but now my eyes have seen you. Therefore I despise myself and repent in dust and ashes."

After the LORD had said these things to Job, he said to Eliphaz the Temanite, "I am angry with you and your two friends, because you have not spoken the truth about me, as my servant Job has. So now take seven bulls and seven rams and go to my servant Job and sacrifice a burnt offering for yourselves. My servant Job will pray for you, and I will accept his prayer and not deal with you according to your folly. You have not spoken the truth about me, as my servant Job has." So Eliphaz the Temanite, Bildad the Shuhite and Zophar the Naamathite did what the LORD told them; and the LORD accepted Job's prayer.

After Job had prayed for his friends, the LORD restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before. All his brothers and sisters and everyone who had known him before came and ate with him in his house. They comforted and consoled him over all the trouble the LORD had brought on him, and each one gave him a piece of silver and a gold ring.

### Hebrews 2:1-13

We must pay the most careful attention, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away. <sup>2</sup>For since the message spoken through angels was binding, and every violation and disobedience received its just punishment, <sup>3</sup>how shall we escape if we ignore so great a salvation? This salvation, which was first announced by the Lord, was confirmed to us by those who heard him. <sup>4</sup>God also testified to it by signs, wonders and various miracles, and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

It is not to angels that he has subjected the world to come, about which we are speaking. But there is a place where someone has testified: "What is mankind that you are mindful of them, a son of man that you care for him? You made them a little lower than the angels; you crowned them with glory and honor and put everything under their feet."

In putting everything under them, God left nothing that is not subject to them. Yet at present we do not see everything subject to them. But we do see Jesus, who was made lower than the angels for a little while, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered. Both the one who makes people holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters. He says, "I will declare your name to my brothers and sisters; in the assembly I will sing your praises." And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again he says, "Here am I, and the children God has given me."

### John 12:20-43

Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. "Sir," they said, "we would like to see Jesus." Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus.

Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me.

Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name!"

Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and will glorify

## Sermon Notes

### WHY?! Our Pride and Our Scars

#### Prayers often begin this way: Almighty God...

In Job, everyone ends up humbled before Almighty God.

- Elihu first. His humility revealed God (to Job) in the storm.
- Job, upon seeing God, then willingly humbles himself.
- Eliphaz realizes God's anger. They humble themselves or else.

#### Humility is our only righteous attitude toward God.

Mercy is God's ever righteous attitude toward us.

But how often do God's People say, "I despise myself and repent in dust and ashes!"?

#### Yet, no other attitude will bring salvation.

We are fooled if we think there is any other way to right a wrong.

### John 12: God's people have scars.

They want a king to put things right.

"At present we do not see things subject to man." (Hebrews 2:8)

#### But Jesus has come to do more than judge...

He's come to take our scars in trade for His Merciful Love.

#### Almighty and Everlasting God,

You sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection;

it again." The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him.

Jesus said, "This voice was for your benefit, not mine. Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

The crowd spoke up, "We have heard from the Law that the Messiah will remain forever, so how can you say, 'The Son of Man must be lifted up'? Who is this 'Son of Man'?"

Then Jesus told them, "You are going to have the light just a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, before darkness overtakes you. Whoever walks in the dark does not know where they are going. Believe in the light while you have the light, so that you may become children of light." When he had finished speaking, Jesus left and hid himself from them.

Even after Jesus had performed so many signs in their presence, they still would not believe in him. This was to fulfill the word of Isaiah the prophet: "Lord, who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?"

For this reason they could not believe, because, as Isaiah says elsewhere: "He has blinded their eyes and hardened their hearts, so they can neither see with their eyes, nor understand with their hearts, nor turn—and I would heal them." Isaiah said this because he saw Jesus' glory and spoke about him. Yet at the same time many even among the leaders believed in him. But because of the Pharisees they would not openly acknowledge their faith for fear they would be put out of the synagogue; for they loved human praise more than praise from God.