

The Second Sunday of Lent  
February 25, 2024



*More than we suffer  
He suffered from us, for us,  
to make all things well.*

**South Big Horn Lutheran Parish**

**Grace Lutheran Church  
Greybull**

For by grace you have been saved, through faith, and this is not of yourselves, it is the gift of God.

Ephesians 2:8-9

**Zion Lutheran Church  
Emblem**

Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

Isaiah 12:6

**Notes for the Season**

**Lent** is a time of preparation for Easter. It is a season of **penitence**, and the colour of the season is that of penitence, **purple**. For a while we lay aside the triumphant celebration of our salvation to meditate upon the cost of our salvation, and our responsibility for the sufferings of our Lord Jesus. In this sense we are *fasting* with Him, as we prepare for a jubilant celebration of His victory.

**Today:**

Penitential Order of Holy Communion, LSB p. 184, w/the *Apostles' Creed*

Hymns: 449 - 567- 781:1-2 - 731/609/716 - 422

### **About Holy Communion**

Church, Christians must share the Sacrament only with those with whom we are united in a common faith. As our due obedience, and also to protect ourselves against spiritual harm, as well as those who do not know or submit to the full counsel of God, only Christians who share our faith, and who therefore belong to congregations in the fellowship of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod will commune in our church. **We sincerely welcome our visitors;** we assure you that we uphold this practice also out of concern for your spiritual welfare, and that our Pastor would love to study Scripture with you and help you embrace the full counsel of God, so we can celebrate the Sacrament together in a manner both pleasing to God and beneficial for us all.

### **Just so we do not forget:**

*And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. What does this mean?*

We pray in this petition that our Father in Heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

*Of the Small Catechism*

### **This we believe - from the Confessions of our Church**

And while we are cheered in the midst of the terrors and receive consolation, at the same time other spiritual movements grow: the knowledge of God, fear of God, hope, love of God; and we are regenerated, as Paul says, in the knowledge of God, and, beholding the glory of the Lord, we are changed into the same image, that is: we receive the true knowledge of God, so that we truly fear Him, truly trust that we are cared for, and that we are heard by Him.

*Of the Apology of the Augsburg Confession*

**Free will offering at Grace today** in favour of the Wyoming District Pastoral Care Emergency Fund.

**Free will offering at Zion today** in favour of the Wyoming District Mission projects.

**Dinners at Grace** at 6 pm., prior to Lenten Worship on Wednesdays, February 28, and March 6, 13, and 20.

February 28: Spaghetti w/meat sauce

March 6: Carry-in

March 13: Baked potato dinner

March 20: Carry-in

*Free will offerings will be taken for our Youth/Visitation Account.*

**Lenten Worship at Grace** at 7 pm. on Wednesdays, February 28, and March 6, 13, and 20. Under the theme *His Mercy and His Means* we shall, in light of His sufferings, meditate on how He actually gives to His Christians the salvation He has won for us with His sufferings.

**Services of penitence and prayer at Grace** on Friday evenings at 7 pm. in response to political and financial and cultural chaos and oppression at home and abroad, war, and other current threats to the peace of the world, the freedom of the Church of Christ, and the general well-being of human beings everywhere.

**Bring your receipts from Lynn's to Church.** For every bundle of receipts for purchases of \$ 10,000 we collect, Lynn's will give us \$ 100 for the LMWL at Grace. Last year, we earned \$ 800 for missions collecting receipts. At this time we have received our first cheque for \$ 100, and are well on our way to having gathered enough receipts for yet another.

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**A Life Thought from Lutherans for Life:** Physician-assisted suicide and euthanasia view aging and affliction as burdens. But Abraham became a blessing in his elderliness (Genesis 17:1-2). And we encounter the glory of the Lord in carrying one another's crosses (Mark 8:34, 38). So let us resist Satan's temptations to take death into our own hands (Mark 8:33). We will rejoice in our suffering (Romans 5:3) and receive neighbors as gifts even in theirs (Psalm 22:24).

**A Stewardship Thought for the Sunday:** Part of our readings today is Mark 8:32 - "And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him." Anytime we sin, we are acting like Peter, thinking we know better than the Lord. But as Jesus says, such acts stem from Satan. So let us repent. Let us trust our Lord Jesus and follow Him. For certainly He has earned our trust with His gracious sacrifice for us.

*From the LCMS Stewardship Ministry*

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**This Week:**

Tuesday:	Noon - 1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
Wednesday:	Noon -1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
	6 pm.	Lenten Dinner at Grace
	7 pm.	Lenten Worship at Grace
Thursday:	Noon -1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
Friday:	Noon -1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
Sunday:	8 am.	Communion Worship at Grace
	9:15 am.	Bible Study at Grace
	10:30 am.	Communion Worship at Zion
	11:45 am.	Bible Study at Zion