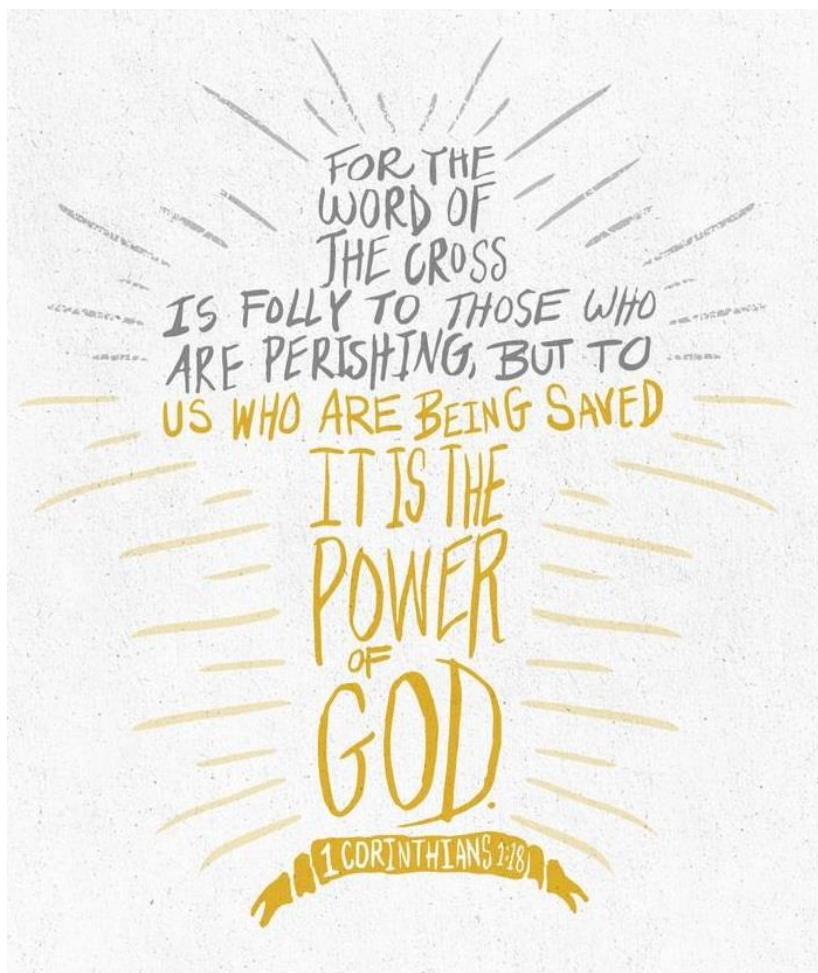


Third Sunday in Lent



March 4, 2018

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EDUCATION FOR LIFE!
Good Morning and Welcome!

Prayer before worship: *Lord God, you breathed the Spirit of life into me and gave me a knowledge and a faith of your presence and will. Continue to work in me, heal my wounds and be my Savior. As you have saved my life, let me serve in your kingdom. In Jesus' name. Amen.*

This Week's Prayer List – remember these in prayer: We pray for a portion of Zion's family and friends...Roger Buetow; Wally and Vivian Buetow; Earl and Inez Buetow; Ralph and Carol Buetow; Helen Buetow; Steve, Jen, Austin, and Carley Buetow. We pray for those under the care of a physician, undergoing treatment and therapy; for all difficulties meeting obligations, and a strong faith for every need.

Silent Auction/Pancake Breakfast is scheduled today! Join us for breakfast following the service and peruse all of our great silent auction things. Take part in our live auction starting at 11 – who knows, you may just drive home with a brand new TV...or 10 bull calves!

Lenten Love - Rice for Liberia: 420 bags of rice is the goal that Chance Outreach set, as it prepares to send a container to the Hope and Courage homes in Monrovia. \$30 will buy one 100-pound bag of rice. Checks can be written to Chance International Outreach, memo'd Lenten Love - Rice. Online donations can be made through ChanceOutreach.org.

Lenten Love: Suffering comes as we neglect God's Word; so why did Jesus suffer? Join us Wednesday, at 3:30 or 7pm. The Lenten meal is hosted by the youth.

Rev. Matthew Barry will be installed as Associate Pastor of St. John's Chaska this afternoon at 3:30pm, by President Nadasdy.

Helping Hands: Tomorrow Joyce Rolf will be moving from Auburn Manor (Chaska) to the Harbor, roughly 11am-3pm. If you want to help, contact Pastor.

Opening Song

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

P In the Name of the Father † Son † Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P One thing I have heard from the Lord; two things God has spoken to me.

C That You, O Lord, are strong, and You, O Lord, are loving.

P I put my trust in You alone; I pour out my heart to You.

C My soul finds rest in You alone; My refuge, my fortress, I put my trust in You.

*We sing the praise of Him who died,
Of Him who died upon the cross;
The sinner's hope let all deride;
For this we count the world but loss.*

Tune 704

P And the Lord said, I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

C You shall have no other gods before me.

P You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them.

C For I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me,

P But showing steadfast love to generations of those who love me and keep my commands.

*Inscribed upon the cross we see,
In shining letters, "God is love."
He bears our sins upon the tree;
He brings us mercy from above.*

P You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain,

C For the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

P Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

C Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do

any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates.

P For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day.

C Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

P Honor your father and your mother,

C That it may go well with you and you live long on the earth!

P You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal.

C You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's.

*So then the timid hearts are brave,
And feeble arms made strong to fight;
The cross takes terror from the grave
And turns our darkness into light.*

P O Lord, I am one who hears your voice.

C I am one who seeks you but does not always follow.

P Guide me by your life-giving Spirit, through your Word

C Grant me a faith that sustains me.

P Jesus takes away our sins; he carries our burdens!

C Grant me your peace. Amen!

*The balm of life, the cure of woe,
The measure and the pledge of love,
The sinner's refuge here below,
The angels' theme in heaven above.*

The Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18–31

*The cross! It takes our guilt away;
It holds the fainting spirit up;
It cheers with hope the gloomy day
And sweetens every bitter cup.*

P Our Gospel Reading is from St. John, chapter two.

C Praise be to you, O Lord!

*To Christ, who won for sinners grace
By bitter grief and anguish sore,
Be praise from all the ransomed race
Forever and forevermore.*

The Gospel Reading

John 2:13–22

P This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C Praise be to you, O Christ!

Collect / Prayer

P O God, our best and most holy Friend, turn our hearts towards your true Son, that we may see in him the same saving love that cleansed the temple courts and died on the cross forgiving his enemies.

C Give us his mind and his spirit, that in the midst of the busy commerce of the world, we may discern what should be done and have the faith and love to undertake it willingly.

P Through our Savior Christ, who lives and loves with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

C Amen!

*Greet one another, in the Name of the Lord!
God's peace be with you!*

Children's Message

Song

How Deep the Father's Love

Sermon Facing Death: Let's Make a Deal! John 2:13-22

Bargaining involves anxiety and doubt; God assures us...

1. He knows our situation and certainly knows our N_____.
2. He knows our anxiety and doubt; he redeems and R_____.
3. He casts away fear and fills us with peace and his P_____.

Offering

Song

Lord, I Need You

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Verse to Remember

1 Corinthians 1:8

- P** The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing,
- C** But to us who are being saved it is the power of God.
- P** The Lord bless you † shine upon you † and give you peace.
- C** Amen.

Closing Song

The Power of the Cross

Orphan Grain Train Needs Your Help!

Our inventory of hygiene kits, school kits and back packs has been depleted. The requests and need for these items are great within the US and worldwide. Would you, your employer, a local organization, youth group, or congregation consider collecting these items to assemble kits? It is a fun and rewarding event which helps children and families less fortunate. If you are a Thrivent member you can apply for a Thrivent Action Team and the seed money goes toward purchasing supplies. For more information on these Special Projects go to www.ogt.org click on the tab 'How You Can Help' and scroll down to Special Projects. If you have any questions, please call toll free [1-877-371-7393](tel:1-877-371-7393). Thank you for your support of Orphan Grain Train missions.

Agnus Day

John 2:13-22

CAN I JUST SAY THAT JESUS IS KIND OF OVER THE TOP HERE?
YOU CAN.



JESUS COMES TO BE THE FINAL SACRIFICE. THE ANIMALS THEY'RE SELLING ARE NO LONGER NEEDED.



HUH. AND I THOUGHT HE WAS JUST HAVING A REALLY BAD DAY!



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Finances

Salary:

Beginning Balance (1/1/2018)	-\$66,153.75
YTD Income	*\$106,546.05
YTD Expenses	\$62,635.69
Current Balance (2/14)	-\$22,243.39

Missions:

YTD Total (2/4)	\$162.00
Budgeted	\$7,597.00
Unbudgeted	\$1,289.41
2017 Pledged	\$7,500.00
2017 Goal	\$15,000.00

LHS:

Year to date total (2/4)	\$20,262.66
2017 Commitment	\$22,825.00

We still need \$2,562.34 to meet 2017 commitment

Per communicant member	\$55.00
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Building/Repair Fund:

Account Balance (12/31)	\$74,090.06
Suggested household contrib.	\$550.00

Tour of Tables Salad Luncheon, hosted by Zion's Ladies Aid/LWML, on April 7, 2018. Entertainment will be Alan and Matt Carlson. Any ladies from Zion are invited to decorate a table for this event. If interested, call Juliene Klaustermeier 954-442-0422 or Carol Henschen 952-466-5905. Reservations for the luncheon can be made with Ruth Harms at 952-467-3084. Adults & teens \$10, 12 and under \$5.

Next Week – March 4th – March 10th

Sunday, 4th Sunday Service | 9:30 AM
Pancake Breakfast/Auction | 9 AM – 1 PM

Tuesday, 6th Dartball | 8 PM

Wednesday, 7th Ladies Bible Study | 2 PM
Lenten Service | 3:30 PM
Confirmation | 5:30 PM
Lenten Service | 7 PM

Thursday, 1st Chapel @ The Harbor | 10:15 AM

Friday, 2nd Chapel | 8:10 AM

Next Week – March 11th – March 17th

Sunday, 11th Sunday Service w/Communion | 9:30 AM

Wednesday, 14th Ladies Bible Study | 2 PM
Lenten Service | 3:30 PM
Confirmation | 5:30 PM
Lenten Service | 7 PM

Friday, 16nd Chapel | 8:10 AM

Attendance/Communion

February 18th Attendance = 169

Lent – Afternoon/Evening Attendance = 55/22

February 25th Attendance = 87/70

Lent – Afternoon/Evening Attendance = 62/21

Answers to Sermon Questions

1. Needs 2. Restores 3. Presence.

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