

## Today's Scripture Readings

### Old Testament

*Jeremiah 26:8–15*

<sup>8</sup>When Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, "You shall die!" <sup>9</sup>Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, "This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant?" And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

<sup>10</sup>When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD. <sup>11</sup>Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, "This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears."

<sup>12</sup>Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, "The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. <sup>13</sup>Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the LORD your God, and the LORD will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. <sup>14</sup>But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. <sup>15</sup>Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the LORD sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears."

### Epistle

*Philippians 3:17–4:1*

<sup>17</sup>Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to

the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup>For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

### Holy Gospel

*Luke 13:31–35*

<sup>31</sup>At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." <sup>32</sup>And he said to them, "Go and tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course. <sup>33</sup>Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.' <sup>34</sup>O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! <sup>35</sup>Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'"

*Scripture quotations are from The Holy Bible, English Standard Version®.*

### In Our Prayers this Week—

- *March missions of the month, Concordia Seminary in St. Louis and Seminarian Luke Konkel.*
- *Peace among nations.*
- *The victims and families of all violence and disaster throughout the world.*
- *Phyllis Conrad, recovering from a fall.*
- *Jim Schmitz, health issues.*
- *Ruth McKenna, health issues.*
- *Jim Knepprath, recovering from surgery.*
- *Michelle Popp and all expectant mothers.*
- *David Shaver, brother of Sara Knepprath, hospitalized.*

*All who are battling cancer:*

- Jayne Cotter

- Ed Friede

- Cindi Arnold, sister of Debi Taylor

- Rev. Brad Birtell, brother of Amy Assmann

- Jennifer Harrill, mother of Andrew Harrill

- Randy Heidemann, brother of Sandy Korb, recovering from brain surgery.

*Please also keep in prayer*

—our Seminarian, Vicar Luke Konkel;

—Rev. Eric Skovgaard, our district president;

—Matthew Harrison, synod president;

—the members, officers and auxiliaries of Emmanuel;

—our circuit congregation, St. Paul in Sheboygan Falls and Rev. Kyle Backhaus;

—our Missionary Rev. Tyler McMiller and his family in Italy and Southern Europe; and

—our shut-in Members, Donna Bloedel,

Bob & Alice Denhardt, Ed Friede,

Virginia Dowty and Bob Navis.

# SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT



Jesus Weeps Over Jerusalem

*O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!*

**Luke 13:34**

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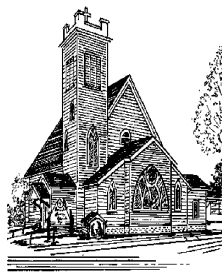
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**WE WELCOME** all who gather with us around the Altar and Pulpit to hear the Word of God.

**IF YOU ARE VISITING** this morning, we are happy that you could join us today. *Please sign our guest book in the narthex.*

**IF YOU DESIRE TO COMMUNE**, please speak to the pastor before the service. Our altar is open to those who confess oneness with us in doctrine and are members in good standing of our congregation or sister congregations of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

**YOUNG CHILDREN** are always welcome in our service. Jesus said, *“Let the little children come to me...”* Activity bags are available in the narthex.

**NEED ASSISTANCE** with anything? Please speak to the pastor or the usher.

**RESTROOMS** are available in the back of the church or in the education wing.

*We pray that you feel welcome in our congregation, that you are blessed by the service, and that you will come again.*

## JESUS RESCUES US FROM DEATH AND BRINGS US INTO HEAVEN

The prophet Jeremiah faithfully preached *“all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people”* (Jer. 26:8). He called the people to repentance, lest the Lord’s judgment come upon them. The violence that Jeremiah suffered for this preaching foreshadowed the cross and Passion of Christ Jesus, who suffered the judgment of God for the redemption of all people. For Jesus *“comes in the name of the Lord”* (Luke 13:35) in order to lay down His life for the sins of the world. Earthly Jerusalem was blind to His gracious visitation, and it put Him to death like the prophets before Him. Yet, His sacrifice upon the cross became the cornerstone of the new Jerusalem, His Church. He visits us today in mercy with His preaching of forgiveness, to gather us to Himself within that holy city, *“as a hen gathers her brood under her wings”* (Luke 13:34), for *“our citizenship is in heaven”* (Phil. 3:20).

## THE FAMILY ALTAR

❶ **Verse of the Week** — **Luke 13:6** *“A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none.”*

❷ **Hymn of the Week** — LSB #823 — *“May God Bestow on Us His Grace”*

❸ **Collect of the Week** — *O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

❹ **Daily Bible Readings** — **M:** Gen. 29:1-30; Mark 9:14-32 **T:** Gen. 35:1-29; Mark 9:33-50 **W:** Gen. 37:1-36; Mark 10:1-12 **Th:** Gen. 39:1-23; Mark 10:13-31 **F:** Gen. 40:1-23; Mark 10:32-52 **Sat:** Gen. 41:1-27; Mark 11:1-19 **Sun:** Gen. 41:28-57; Mark 11:20-33

❺ **Preparing for Next Sunday** — *Lessons for Lent 3* (March 23, 2025):

*Ezekiel 33:7-20; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9; Psalm 85*

❻ **Devotions** — *Daily Lenten devotions are found in The Hand of the Lord devotional.*

## Second Sunday in Lent

**MARCH 16, 2025**

Greeters — *John Kaiser & Pennie Scallorn*

Elder — *Todd Graf*; Usher — *Jeff Ourada*

Altar Guild — *Hayley Buchholz, Jr.* Altar Guild — *Ziva Payne*

Acolyte — *Jonah Marks*

Organist — *Mrs. Terry Ourada*

Pastor — *Rev. Paul W. Marks*

**Introit** (*sung responsively after confession & absolution*) Psalm 74:1-3; antiphon: Psalm 69:9



For zeal for your house has con- | sumed me,\*  
and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fall- | en on me.

**O God, why do you cast us off for- | ever?\***

**Why does your anger smoke against the sheep of your | pasture?**

Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old, which you  
have redeemed to be the tribe of your | heritage!\*

Remember Mount Zion, where | you have dwelt.

**Direct your steps to the perpetual | ruins;\***

**the enemy has destroyed everything in the sanctu- | ary!**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

For zeal for your house has con- | sumed me,\*

and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fall- | en on me.

**Collect** (*spoken by pastor*)

O God You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Gradual** (*sung responsively*) Psalm 117:1-2a, 96:8

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,\*

the founder and perfecter | of our faith,

**who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame,\***

**and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.**

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