



FIFTH SUNDAY OF

Lent

Faith Lutheran Church

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March 21, 2021

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Welcome & Greeting

Pastor Kirk Triplett

Invocation

(Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14)

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen

Confession

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. *(1 John 1:8)*

Congregation: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(1 John 1:9)

Time for Reflection

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

All: Lord God, full of mercy and grace, we humbly come before you admitting our great need of forgiveness. We understand that we have been selfish and not loved you or our neighbors as we should. Grant us the forgiveness of our sins and renew a right spirit within us that we might bring glory to your holy name. Amen.

Absolution

(Psalm 103:8-12; 1 Timothy 1:15-16)

Opening Praise

(Ephesians 4:19-20, 5:19; Colossians 3:16)

“God So Loved”

Verse 1

Come all you weary come all you thirsty
Come to the well that never runs dry
Drink of the water come and thirst no more

Verse 2

Come all you sinners come find His mercy
Come to the table He will satisfy
Taste of His goodness find what you're looking for

CHORUS 1

For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever

Verse 2

Bring all your failures bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting there with open arms see His open arms

CHORUS 2

For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever
The power of hell forever defeated
Now it is well I'm walking in freedom
For God so loved God so loved the world

BRIDGE

Praise God Praise God
From whom all blessings flow
Praise Him Praise Him
For the wonders of His love (repeat)

Song “Our God”

Verse 1

Water You turned into wine opened the eyes of the blind
There’s no one like You none like You

Verse 2

Into the darkness You shine out of the ashes we rise
There’s no one like You none like You

CHORUS

Our God is greater our God is stronger
God You are higher than any other
Our God is healer awesome in power our God our God

BRIDGE

And if our God is for us then who could ever stop us
And if our God is with us then what could stand against (Repeat)

Nicene Creed

(1 Timothy 1:18-19; 2 Timothy 3:14)

All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

The Word of God

(2 Timothy 3:16; Colossians 3:16)

Old Testament Reading **Genesis 22:1-14** *Read by Lake Laws*

¹After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” ²He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.” ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you.” ⁶And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷And Isaac said to his father Abraham, “My father!” And he said, “Here I am, my son.” He said, “Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?” ⁸Abraham said, “God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So they went both of them together.

⁹When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” ¹²He said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.” ¹³And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called the name of that place, “The LORD will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 9:11-15

Read by Lake Laws

¹¹ But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) ¹² he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. ¹³ For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh, ¹⁴ how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

¹⁵ Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

John 8:51-59

⁵¹ Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death." ⁵² The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.'" ⁵³ Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?" ⁵⁴ Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.'" ⁵⁵ But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. ⁵⁶ Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." ⁵⁷ So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" ⁵⁸ Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." ⁵⁹ So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Song “His Grace is Greater Still”

His grace is greater still than all my deepest woes
It triumphs o’er my will and calms my weary soul
Over the sting of death grace doth bring relief
O how I love Thy grace greater than my belief

CHORUS

His grace deeper than the sea
His grace pouring over me

His grace is greater still I have all that I need
My deepest longing filled all by divine decree
More than one’s greatest hope removing deepest fears
O how I love Thy grace faithful beyond the years

CHORUS

His grace is greater still no tongue can ever tell
Bore sin upon the hill to save my soul from hell
My life will testify of how grace entered in
O how I love Thy grace sustains me from within

CHORUS

Sermon

(2 Timothy 3:16, 4:2; Acts 2:42)

Sermon Title

“Acting on Belief”

Pastor Kirk Triplett

Song of Response

(Isaiah 55:10-11; Ephesians 4:1-2)

“How Great is Our God”

BRIDGE

Name above all names worthy of all praise
My heart will sing how great is our God

Verse 1

The splendor of the King robed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice let all the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice trembles at His voice

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CHORUS

How great is our God sing with me
How great is our God and all will sing
How great how great is our God

Verse 2

Age to age He stands and time is in His hands
Beginning and the end beginning and the end
The Godhead three in One Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb the Lion and the Lamb

CHORUS

BRIDGE

Name above all names worthy of all praise
My heart will sing how great is our God
Name above all names worthy of all praise
My heart will sing how great is our God

CHORUS



Agnus Dei

(John 1:29; Luke 17:13)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace

Words of Institution *(Matthew 26:26-27; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:14-20)*

Gather at the Lord's Table

(1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Acts 2:42)

Prayers of the Church

(Galatians 6:1-2; 1 Timothy 2:1)

After each petition: Pastor: Lord, in your mercy

Congregation: Hear our prayer

We Pray for:

- Harold Uehling – on hospice
- Prayers for Charles (Steve's grandson)
- Prayers for Hailey (Carly & Frank's granddaughter)
- Susan – upcoming surgery
- Those battling ongoing health issues – Chelsea, Jerry, Greg, Bryan, Robert, Dale and John
- Those battling cancer – Tasha, Debbie, Marty, Ella, Sandra, Alice and Sue's father
- Hawthorne Middle School
- Our Nation

The Lord's Prayer

(Matthew 6:9)

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen

Response of Thanksgiving

Pastor: For not from the east or from the west and not from the wilderness comes lifting up, but it is God who executes judgment, putting down one and lifting up another.

Congregation: We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks, for your name is near!

Pastor: For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup with foaming wine, well mixed, and he pours out from it, and all the wicked of the earth shall drain it down to the dregs.

Congregation: We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks, for your name is near!

Pastor: But I will declare it forever; I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.
All the horns of the wicked I will cut off, but the horns of the
righteous shall be lifted up.

**Congregation: We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks, for your
name is near!**

Pastor: For the Lord himself has provided a lamb to atone for our iniquity
and shame.

**All: We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks, for your name is
near!**

Benediction

(Numbers 6:22; 2 Corinthians 13:14)

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to
shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His
countenance upon you and give you peace.

All: Amen

Announcements

Closing Song **“God So Loved”** *(reprise chorus)*

For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever
The power of hell forever defeated
Now it is well I'm walking in freedom
For God so loved God so loved the world

Dismissal

(Romans 5:1; Romans 12:1)

Pastor: Now go in peace, serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sending

(Matthew 28:19-20)

Pastor: Let's not only go to church...

Congregation: Let's be the church

Announcements

- **Adult Bible Study 9am** – We are studying the Small Catechism.
- **Kids Sunday School at 9am**
- **Praise Nights, Women’s Study and Man Mondays** are on a break until after Easter.
- **Mondays - Youth Group Foundations** (for youth in 5th grade and up) from 5:30 – 6:30pm
- **Tuesdays** - Quilting Ladies at 10:00am at the church
- **Thursdays** – Men’s Coffee from 8 to 9:30am at the church
- **TODAY** – Parish Planning Meeting after the service.
- **This Wednesday, March 24th** – **Lenten service at 7:00pm.**
- **Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week.** Please mark your calendars for our **Wednesday, March 31st Lenten Service at 7:00pm** and our **Good Friday Service on April 2nd at 7:00pm.**
- **Next Sunday, March 28th - VBS Planning Meeting after the service.** Please join us as we prepare to bless our kids and community this summer.
- **Easter Egg Hunts** – We will be having Easter Egg Hunts for the children after both Easter services. We are in need of plastic eggs, erasers, stickers, candy, etc.. If you would like to donate please bring your items to the church or give them to Amy Price.
- **Easter Sunday is April 4th** - We will be having two services at 8:30 am and 10:00am. Easter Egg hunts will follow the services.
- **Sunday, April 25th** – A Thrivent representative will be available after the service.
- **Last week’s attendance: 49**
- **Attendance for Pastor Kirk’s Installation: 71**

If you have a pastoral need you may contact Pastor Kirk Triplett at kirk@faithpocatello.org or 530-306-0712.

Pastor Kirk’s office hours this week are:

Monday: 9:30am – 5:30pm

Tuesday: 12:30pm – 5:30pm

Wednesday: 9:30am – 5:30pm

Thursday: 8:00am – 12:30pm

Friday and Saturday: By Appointment

Sermon: "Acting on Belief" John 8:51-59

What is God saying: _____

What is my main take-away: _____

How I am going to respond: _____

Prayer for help: _____

Who I'm praying for this week: _____

