# As the Son of God Is Merciful and Forgives Your Sins, You Also Be Merciful and Forgive

Your inheritance as a child of Adam is sin and death, but in Christ you are made alive through His resurrection from the dead (1 Cor. 15:21–22). As you have died with Him in Holy Baptism, so are you raised with Him to the newness of life. Therefore, "do not go on sinning" (1 Cor. 15:34). Instead of serving your desires and harming your neighbors, live as "sons of the Most High," and "be merciful, even as your Father is merciful" (Luke 6:35–36). Deal with others as you would have others deal with you (Luke 6:31, 37–38). As Christ loved you when you were at enmity with Him, as He blessed and prayed for those who abused Him, and as He did good to those who hated Him and hurt Him, so also "love your enemies, do good" (Luke 6:27–29, 35). For God sent His Son to bear the cross and suffer death, not to condemn the guilty, but "to preserve life." So does He provide a place for you within His Church, where He is near and deals kindly with "you and your children and your children's children" (Gen. 45:5–10).

### **WORSHIP SERVICE AND BIBLE STUDY INFORMATION**

**ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP:** Please join us on Wednesday, March 5th for Worship and Communion at 11am and 6:30pm.

**LENT MIDWEEK WORSHIP:** Please join us for special Midweek Worship Services during the Lent Season! We will worship together on Wednesdays, March 12, 19, 26 and April 2 and 9 at 11am and 6:30pm. Lunch will follow the morning services, and dinner will begin at 5:30pm.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 3-year-olds through 8th grade are invited to join us weekly at 9:15am.

**SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**: Please join us at 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall as we continue our indepth study of the book of Ruth. This short Old Testament book is not just a love story, but rather a significant story that points us from the time of the Judges to King David, and ultimately to Jesus.

**TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** meets on Tuesdays at 7am. Please note that this is the same Bible Study that is offered on Wednesdays at 7pm.

**TUESDAY LADIES' BIBLE STUDY** meets on Tuesdays at 9am in the Fellowship Hall and is studying Psalm 46.

**WOMEN'S HOME BIBLE STUDY** will continue meeting on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 6:30pm and will be studying Isaiah. Please contact Diane Gihring, Kathy Herbst, or the Church Office more information.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY** meets on Wednesdays at 7pm in the Library. Please note that this is the same Bible Study that is offered on Tuesday mornings at 7am.

**THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** meets on Thursdays at 9:30am and will continue taking a longer look at the readings for the upcoming weekend.

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will continue meeting on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall and will be going through a study of Nehemiah.

## **CHARITABLE INFORMATION**

**FIRST QUARTER SPECIAL MISSIONS:** Our first quarter Special Missions offering will support the Lutheran Heritage Foundation (LHF). Through your generous gifts, LHF translates, publishes, distributes and introduces books that are Bible-based, Christ-centered and Reformation-driven. LHF is in more than 90 countries and has publications in 145 different languages so that pastors, teachers, missionaries, and more are able to get the Good News into the hands of people.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING:** Second quarter Sunday school offerings will be going to Wild About Kenya - Gospel Adventures through Lutheran World Relief. Offerings will support Happyland, a digital resource available to students that keeps children engaged with the Gospel message!

### **CHURCH INFORMATION**

**LENT DEVOTIONS:** As we prepare to enter the season of Lent, we encourage you to take a Lent devotion home for your own personal devotion time, or to share as a family. A selection of devotions are available in the Narthex.

**PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT:** We are now enrolling for the 2025-2026 school year! If you have or know of anyone looking for 2K, 3K, 4K, or childcare and would like more information, please contact Jennifer Leinss 262-786-6465 or ileinss82@gmail.com.

**WINDOW PROJECT:** We will be replacing 16 single-pane windows with double pane windows in various areas of the church building beginning March 24th, and the project will take 6-7 days to complete. Once the windows are installed, a separate contractor will come in May to stain and polyurethane coat the new windows, which should take an additional 5-10 days. All existing stained-glass panels will be reinstalled after staining is complete. The installation of windows should not interfere with any day-to-day events at Church. Any questions regarding this project should be directed to the Church Office or Larry Ratayczak.

**LOVED MINISTRIES:** Loved Ministries is hosting a "Wellness with a Mission" fundraiser on Saturday, March 15th from 9:15-11:30am. For more information on registration, please see www.lovedwi.org. All proceeds will benefit the work they do with 131 teens living in 22 different foster group homes in Milwaukee.

**LENT MEALS:** The Lenten season will begin on Wednesday, March 5th with Ash Wednesday, and in the weeks following we will be having lunch following the morning midweek worship service, and dinner before the evening service. We are looking for someone who would be able to sponsor the lunch on Wednesday, April 2nd. If you are interested, please see Anita Burow.

**KRINGLE FUNDRAISER:** Preschool is now selling Kringles! Funds raised will be put toward our outdoor education area. Kringles are \$12 each and will be sold now through Sunday, March 2nd. Delivery will take place on Monday, March 17th from 3:00-5:30. Please see the bulletin board for the order form.

**KIDS HEART CHALLENGE:** Our students will once again participate in the American Heart Association Kids Heart Challenge. In addition to heart healthy activities, our students will be raising money for the Heart Association. If you would like to donate, please go to: http://www2.heart.org/goto/Blessedsaviorlutheranwi.

**YOUTH GROUP SILENT AUCTION:** The youth who are attending the LCMS Youth Gathering this summer are hosting a Silent Auction beginning now through Sunday, March 9th. Make sure you stop in the Fellowship Hall and place your bids on all the baskets of goodies! Winners will be announced following the late service on the 9th. You do not need to be present to win.

**YOUNG AT HEART:** We invite you to join us on Thursday, March 6th at 11am as we join our 4K Preschool class in making special projects and playing games. Following our time with the students, we will head to Brunch Berry for lunch. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend.

**CRAFT NIGHT:** Calling all crafters! Grab whatever crafts you're working on and join us on Friday, March 7th at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**GIRL SCOUT COOKIE BOOTH:** Girl Scout Troop 1299, which uses our Fellowship Hall to meet twice a month, will be having a Cookie Booth in the Fellowship Hall on Sundays, March 9th and 23rd. If you would like to purchase cookies from the Scouts, please stop before or after 10:30am Church! Cookies are \$6 per box. (If you would like cookies but are unable to make it to the cookie booth, please contact the Church Office and we'll arrange to get you some!)

### PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSIONS

We pray for the family and friends of Lorna Sperl, whom the Lord called unto Himself this past Sunday.

We pray for our members:

Duane

## We also remember in our prayers these friends and relatives of our members:

Ellie Jason Pastor Alex Gabe Amy Logan Mark Sam Sharlot Danielle Steve Lorna Dan Sr.

Mary Dennis

## We pray the Lord to watch over those who are serving in the military:

Corwyn Erika Carlos Mary Darren

**Altar Flowers are sponsored by** Joan Ziegler, in memory of her mother. **Special Missions are sponsored by** 

#### WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 21st-MARCH 2nd

SAT	8:30am Men's Bible Study	THURS 9:30am Bible Study	
	9:00am Handbell Rehearsal		6:30pm Worship and Communion
SUN	8:00am Worship and Communion	SAT	9:00am Handbell Rehearsal
	9:15am Education Hour	SUN	8:00am Worship and Communion
	10:30am Worship and Communion		9:15am Education Hour
TUES	7:00am Bible Study		10:30am Worship and Communion
	9:00am Ladies Bible Study		6:00pm Youth Group
	6:30pm Women's Home Bible Study		
WED	9:00am Quilters		
	7:00pm Bible Study		
	7:00pm Choir Rehearsal		

#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday-Thursday, 8:00am-4:30pm

Attendance: 180 Offerings: \$7,875 Needed Weekly: \$12,535.15

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