

*March 26, 2023*

*Fifth Sunday in Lent*

*9:30 AM*

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**In Christ, The Dead Will Live Again!**

## **Atonement Lutheran Church**



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The Good News of **Jesus' Love** and Forgiveness.***

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Hymn: *What Grace Is This?* ..... CW<sub>21</sub> 395 Stz 1-4



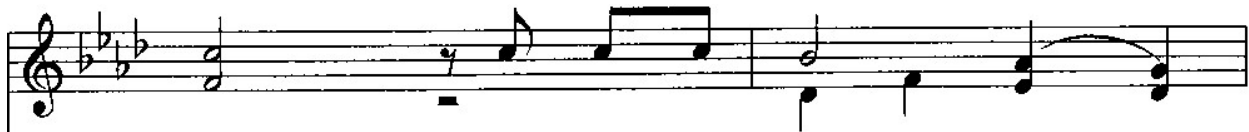
1 What grace is this! My Lord and  
2 What grace is this— That ve - ry  
3 What grace is this! Though Lord of  
4 What grace is this! Rude a - gon -



King Has set his face to suf - fer -  
God Would stoop to lift a cross of  
all, He yields to Pon - tius Pil - ate's  
ies! With com - mon thieves he hangs and



ing. My God e - ter - nal dies to  
wood And walk a road of rock and  
law And lets the Ro - man ham - mers  
bleeds. The sin - less Son bears each mis -



bring E - ter - nal life to  
blood, A sin - ner's road, for  
draw A rush of blood for  
deed. He pays for all, for



me.

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**Confession and Absolution**

**L:** The Grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C: And also, with you.**

**L:** Blessed Jesus, at your Word we are gathered all to hear you. Let our hearts and souls be stirred, now to seek, love, and fear you.

**C: By your teachings, sweet and holy, drawn from earth to love you solely.**

**L:** Oh, how I love your law!

**C: I meditate on it all day long.**

**L:** Your commands make me wiser than all my enemies,

**C: For your words are always with me.**

**L:** How sweet are your words to my taste.

**C: Sweeter than honey to my mouth!**

**L:** All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,

**C: So that we may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.**

**L:** Yet, so often we have despised your Word, O Lord, and failed to gladly hear and learn it. For this and all our sins, we bow and humbly ask you to forgive us.

**All: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me, a sinner.**

**L:** God gave his Word so “that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.” The Scriptures testify about Jesus, who lived a perfect life for you, died on the cross to pay for all your sins, and rose again to assure you of your salvation. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the † Holy Spirit.

**C: AMEN!**

**Prayer of the Day:** God of mercy and might through the resurrection of your Son you have freed us from the anguish of guilt and the bond of death. Be with us on our pilgrimage and help us glorify you in the presence of all your people; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: AMEN!**

**First Lesson:**

**Ezekiel 37:1–14** (NIV 84)

**L:** The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the LORD and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup> He led me back and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry. <sup>3</sup> He asked me, “Son of man, can these bones live?” I said,

**C: “O Sovereign LORD, you alone know.”**

**L:** <sup>4</sup> Then he said to me, “Prophecy to these bones and say to them, ‘Dry bones, hear the word of the LORD! <sup>5</sup> This is what the Sovereign LORD says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life. <sup>6</sup> I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the LORD.’”

**C: <sup>7</sup> So I prophesied as I was commanded.**

**L:** And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. <sup>8</sup> I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup> Then he said to me, “Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to it, ‘This is what the Sovereign LORD says: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe into these slain, that they may live.’”

**C: <sup>10</sup> So I prophesied as he commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet—a vast army.**

**L:** <sup>11</sup> Then he said to me: “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.’ <sup>12</sup> Therefore prophecy and say to them: ‘This is what the Sovereign LORD says: O my people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup> Then you, my people, will know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and bring you up from them. <sup>14</sup> I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the LORD have spoken, and I have done it, declares the LORD.’” This is the Word of our God.

**CW<sub>93</sub> Psalm 116**

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*Refrain*

I will walk in the pres-ence of the Lord,  
in the land of the liv - ing.

*Psalm tone*

\*

I love the LORD, for he heard my voice;\*  
he heard my cry for mercy.

Because he turned his ear to me,\*  
I will call on him as long as I live.

The LORD is gracious and righteous;\*  
when I was in great need, he saved me.

*Refrain*

For you, O LORD, have delivered my soul from death,\*  
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

How can I repay the LORD\*  
for all his goodness to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation\*  
and call on the name of the LORD.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*Refrain*

**Second Lesson:**

**Romans 8:11-19** (NIV 84)

<sup>11</sup> And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit, who lives in you. <sup>12</sup> Therefore, brothers, we have an obligation—but it is not to the sinful nature, to live according to it. <sup>13</sup> For if you live according to the sinful nature, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live, <sup>14</sup> because those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” <sup>16</sup> The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. <sup>17</sup> Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory. <sup>18</sup> I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. <sup>19</sup> The creation waits in eager expectation for the sons of God to be revealed. This is the Word of our Lord

**Hymn: What Wondrous Love Is This** ..... **CW<sub>93</sub> 120** (CW<sub>21</sub> 526) **Stz 1-4**

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What  
2 When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When  
3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; To  
4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; And

won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is  
I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When I was sink-ing  
God and to the Lamb I will sing; To God and to the  
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm

this That caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dread-ful curse  
down Be - neath God's right-eous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown  
Lamb, Who is the great I Am, While mil-lions join the theme,  
free, I'll sing his love for me, And through e - ter - ni - ty

for my soul, for my soul, To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul!  
for my soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.  
I will sing, I will sing, While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on, And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

**Gospel:**

**John 11:17-27** (NIV 84)

<sup>17</sup> On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. <sup>18</sup> Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, <sup>19</sup> and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. <sup>20</sup> When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home. <sup>21</sup> "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup> But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask." <sup>23</sup> Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."

<sup>24</sup> Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day."

<sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; <sup>26</sup> and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" <sup>27</sup> "Yes, Lord," she told him, "I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who was to come into the world."

**L:** This is the Gospel of our Lord

**All: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

**Hymn: Oh, Sing, My Soul, Your Maker's Praise** ..... CW<sub>93</sub> 425 Stz 1-3

1 Oh, sing, my soul, your Mak - er's praise, In grate - ful  
 2 The Lord is good to those who seek His face in  
 3 The Lord will turn his face in peace When trou - bled

hymns as - cend - ing; Whose stead - fast love has crowned your  
 time of sor - row, Pro - vid - ing com - fort to the  
 souls draw near him; His lov - ing - kind - ness shall not

days With heav'n - ly gifts un - end - ing. I sought the  
 weak And grace for each to - mor - row. Though grief may  
 cease To those who trust and fear him. Our God will

Lord; he heard my cry; His ho - ly an - gels hov - er  
 tar - ry for the night, The morn shall break in joy and  
 not for - sake his own; E - ter - nal is his heav'n - ly

nigh The tents of those who love him.  
 light With bless - ings from his pres - ence.  
 throne; His king - dom stands for - ev - er.

*Do You Believe That The Dead Will Live Again?*



**The Nicene Creed:** *(together we confess)*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**Prayer:** Eternal God and Father; help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation that through his anguish, pain, and death we do receive forgiveness of sins and inherit eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, taught us to pray...

**Lord’s Prayer:** *(traditional)*

***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!***

**L:** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

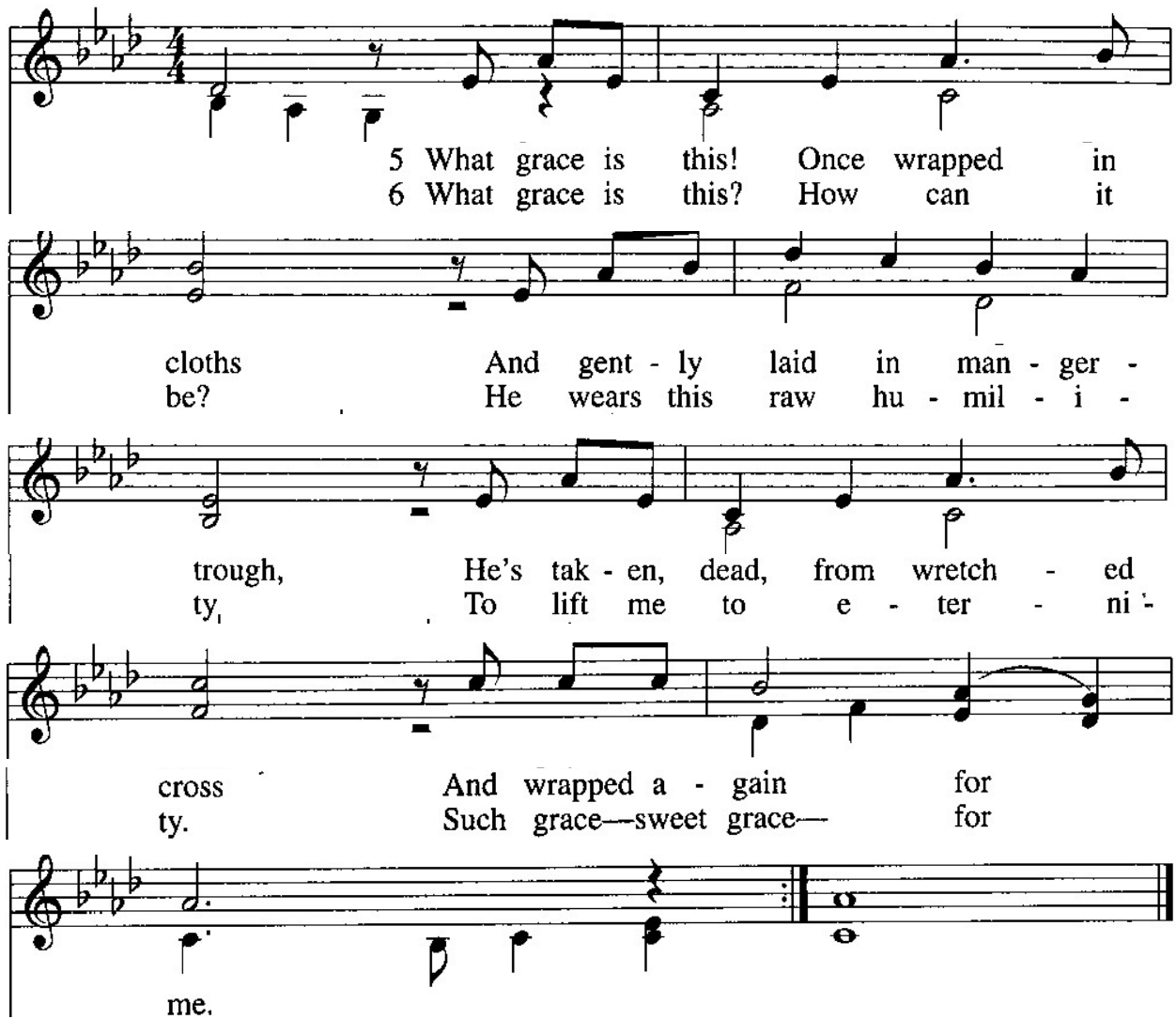
The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

**C: Amen**

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5 What grace is this! Once wrapped in  
6 What grace is this? How can it

cloths be? And gent-ly laid in man-ger-  
He wears this raw hu-mil-i-

trough, He's tak-en, dead, from wretch-ed  
ty, To lift me to e-ter-ni-

cross ty. And wrapped a-gain for  
Such grace—sweet grace— for

me.

**Brittany Trimmer**, Pastor's daughter-in-law, was released from the hospital and is now recovering at home from meningitis. Let us ask the Lord to continue to heal and strengthen her.

**Nancy Witzel** continues to suffer the effects of COPD and congestive heart failure. Nancy is back living in her apartment. She has been enrolled with Hospice Care. Send correspondences to: Mrs. Nancy Witzel, Apt 10H  
6811 Campfield Road  
Baltimore, MD 21207

Hand Bell Practice each Sunday at 10:30am



 Looking Ahead

Date		Time	Streaming	Music	Usher #1	Comm.
<b>March</b>						
Sun Lent 5	<b>26</b>	9:30 AM	Megan K	HymnSoft	Scott S	Mark F
Wed Lent 5	<b>29</b>	7:00 PM	Jessica O	Paul T	Bob P	
<b>April</b>						
Palm Sun	<b>2</b>	9:30 AM	Audrey S	Jessica O	Dan M	
Maundy Thu	<b>6</b>	7:00 PM	Mark F	Paul T	Bob B	Dan M
Good Friday	<b>7</b>	7:00 PM	Dan M	Jessica O	Mark F	
Easter Sun	<b>9</b>	<b>7:30 AM</b>	Mark F	Jessica O	Scott S	Gil P
Easter Sun	<b>9</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Megan K	Jessica O	Bob P	
Sun Easter 2	<b>16</b>	9:30 AM	Audrey S	Jessica O	Gil P	
Sun Easter 3	<b>23</b>	9:30 AM	Mark F	Jessica O	Cole S	Scott S
Sun Easter 4	<b>30</b>	9:30 AM	Dan M	Jessica O	Scott S	

**March 2023, Birthdays and Anniversaries**

14 Timothy Kassebaum

**April 2023, Birthdays and Anniversaries**

6 Renae Schweitzer  
 11 Daniel Freeman  
 23 Jacob Stephen Backes

**2023 Cleaning Volunteers for Both the Church and the Fellowship Hall**  
 Cleaning may be done any day or time during the week on or preceding the date indicated below. Thank you.

April 1 Meister Family  
 April 15 K. Kellner, P. Taylor, C. Rogers  
 May 6 Pieper Family and Schweitzer Family  
 May 20 Kassebaum Family



Projects will take place after church describing selections for Home the worship folder. Please contact 410.529.6292) or Jessica Orth your selected mission projects if you are unable to vote in person on April 2.

### Heritage Circuit Announcements

You are encouraged to attend the next national convention in La Cross, WI **June 23-25, 2023**. Please contact Jessica Orth ([jorthx@gmail.com](mailto:jorthx@gmail.com) or 443.750.2934) with any questions.



Voting for Heritage Circuit 2023 Mission on **Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023**. A ballot Missions and World Missions is included in Ellen Cammarata ([jecamm@comcast.net](mailto:jecamm@comcast.net) or ([jorthx@gmail.com](mailto:jorthx@gmail.com) or 443.750.2934) with



Donations for the 2023 Spring Rally can be made online at <https://donorbox.org/lwms-spring-rally-2023> or by scanning the QR code. Online donors will be asked to select which fund they are donating to, and to enter the church they belong to, so we are still able to track total amounts by church. Each fund donation needs to be made in a separate transaction (in other words, if you would like to donate to both the mission fund and the

send-one-sister fund, for example, you will need to make two separate donations). Payment can be made using Apple Pay, Google Pay, PayPal, Venmo, credit/debit card, or ACH. You will also be asked to cover the processing fees for the donation, but this is optional. Donations made online are deposited directly into our circuit's bank account.

Donations made by check are welcome as always! Please send these to Paul Taylor by **Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023**. Donations can also be brought to the rally.



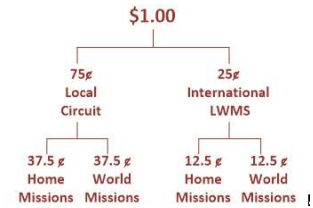
### Save the Date

**Heritage Circuit Spring Rally April 29, 2023 - Resurrection, Chesapeake, VA**

Please join us for the Heritage Circuit Spring rally in Chesapeake, VA on April 29, 2023. Please contact Ellen Cammarata ([jecamm@comcast.net](mailto:jecamm@comcast.net) or 410.529.6292) or Jessica Orth ([jorthx@gmail.com](mailto:jorthx@gmail.com) or 443.750.2934) with any questions.



## Heritage Circuit Congregational 2023 Mission Projects Ballot



### Home Missions – please choose one (1)

#### HM -2022-07: Kids Summer Bible Camps

Kids summer Bible camps can sometimes cost more than traditional vacation Bible schools because these camps focus on music, sports, art, or other types of activities. The overall goal is to provide an opportunity to share the gospel with children. Your gifts will provide funds for home mission churches to offer a kids summer Bible camp, which will help them reach out to children and their families in their communities.

#### JMC -2022-03: Sudanese Outreach

At least eight different congregations in North America are ministering to South Sudanese refugees in their communities. Many South Sudanese men are stepping into leadership roles and taking classes through the Pastoral Studies Institute to become pastors of their local Sudanese congregation. They are also reaching back to South Sudanese refugee camps in Ethiopia, Kenya, and Uganda with the gospel message. Your gift will support current Sudanese ministries as well as future ministry expansion.

### World Missions – please choose one (1)

#### WM-2022-16: Chinese Outreach Project

This fund supports the work of church-planting in East Asia. While attending ALS, students must begin sharing the gospel and gathering new converts into small Chinese groups. Through a mentoring process and further theological education, these students work to grow their groups into self-sustaining congregations. Funds are used to provide full-time Chinese mentors, online training, and travel for face-to-face meetings with mentors. Occasional limited support is given to students who are unable to work at a paying job while studying and working to grow their group into a self-supporting congregation.

#### WM-2022-18: Europe Special Projects

WELS World Missions conducts gospel outreach throughout Europe, partnering to share Christ’s grace in Russia, Albania, Bulgaria, and Ukraine while supporting sister church bodies in seven additional European countries. The focus of European mission work is changing. Instead of leading congregations, our missionary is focusing on equipping and training national pastors to lead their own congregations and facilitating continuing education for our national church partners, many of whom are tent ministers who preach and teach on weekends and support themselves with secular work during the week. Funds are needed to help cover transportation costs for guest lecturers and students, and to help those tent ministers attend continuing education classes.

**Congregation Name:** \_\_\_\_\_