



### About the Cover

When it feels as though everything around us is crumbling, Jesus offers us the foundation we can stand firm on: Him! He has accomplished what we could not. His cross stands as a testament to His determination and love for us. By dying on the cross and rising again, Christ won for us the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Therefore, in all trials and temptations, we can stand firm in Christ alone.

## SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

### Old Testament Reading: 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>4:1</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!’”

*Therefore, my brothers, . . .  
stand firm thus in the Lord*

Philippians 4:1

## THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

March 16, 2025

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#### Welcome to Our Visitors

We pray all will be spiritually enriched by your visit to this "House of God." Here Christ breaks the silence that surrounds mortal man in his sin and death. Here in Christ Jesus, we hear the voice of the Eternal One, and hear the voice of the Father, and that He loves us, that He forgives us and that in the resurrection of Christ, He has made us His Children and has given us victory over death itself.

#### THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

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Ringling of the Bells, Welcome, and Announcements

Opening Hymn LSB#909 Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Invocation

Confession – Absolution Pages 184-185 (right side)

The Introit:

P: For zeal for your house has consumed me, and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.

C: O God, why do you cast us off forever? Why does your anger smoke against the sheep of your pasture?

P: 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.

C: Direct your steps to the perpetual ruins; the enemy has destroyed everything in the sanctuary!

C: 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.

P: For zeal for your house has consumed me, and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me

The Kyrie Page 186

The Hymn of Praise We Sing the Praise of Him Who Died

1. 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.
2. To Christ, who won for sinners grace  
By bitter grief and anguish sore,  
Be praise from all the ransomed race  
Forever and forevermore.

The Salutation and Collect of the Day Page 189

The Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 26:8-15 (see back of bulletin)

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

The Gradual: (spoken by the Pastor)

The Epistle Reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1 (see back of bulletin)

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 13:31-35

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The Hymn of the Day LSB#586 Preach You the Word

The Sermon God's Incredible Nevertheless Love Luke 13 31-35

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The Receiving of the Offerings at the Altar

The Prayer of the Church Response:

P: Lord, in Your mercy, C: Hear our Prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

The Benediction Page 202

Closing Hymn LSB#920 Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go

Lenten Supper and Service continues this Wednesday

Supper 5:30 pm Worship 7:00 pm

Saturday Evening Worship: 5:30 PM.

Holy Communion First and Third Saturdays

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00 AM

Holy Communion: Second and Fourth Sundays

Sunday School 8:45 AM Adult Bible Class 9:00 AM