

MORNING WORSHIP

APRIL 5, 2020 — 9:25 AM

Welcome and Announcements

Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism # 1

What is your only comfort in life and death?

That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

Adoration

Call to Worship

* Hymn # 8

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

ITALIAN HYMN

A Season of Prayer

Adoration

Confession

Thanksgiving

Supplication

* Hymn # 300

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

ST. THEODULPH

Ministry of the Word

Scripture

Matthew 21:1-11

Sermon

“A New Normal”

Rev. Ethan D. Saylor

Going Out in Christ’s Name

* Charge and Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14

* Hymn # 233

“Grace, Love and Fellowship”

CANE PEAK

As our service concludes we are encouraged to go forth to serve the Lord in joy! Since we are not passing the offering plate during the service, we will have the plates available for you to give your offering following our time of worship together. If you are unable to attend the service in person, please know you can mail your offering, or stop by the church and drop it off at your convenience. We thank you for your generosity.

A New Normal

Matthew 21:1-11

I. The Crowd’s Expectations

II. The Kingdom Christ Delivered

III. How to enter Christ’s Kingdom

Food for Thought

The people who cried “Hosanna to the Son of David!” on Palm Sunday expected a mighty, conquering king, one who would throw off the yoke of their Gentile oppressors just as David had defeated the Philistines centuries earlier. But the true enemies that had to be defeated were not pagan Gentiles but rather sin and death. This could not be done on a white horse and with great armies. Instead, it took humility, a willingness to take the form of a servant and submit to the punishment that God’s people deserve for their sin.

TableTalk Magazine

Questions for Discussion

1. What are you hoping will happen when the quarantine is lifted and life returns to “normal”?
2. What were the people of Israel hoping the Messiah would do?
3. What are the distinctive of the Kingdom of Heaven that Christ has brought?
4. What must you do to know the hope of the Kingdom of Heaven?

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Praise & Prayer

Pray for Donna Dykstra, who had a stroke on April 1 and is a patient at Avera McKennan, Sioux Falls. Visitation is not recommended.

Pray for **Trinity Presbyterian Church, Pastor Christopher Harper & Pastor John Gordy**, Rochester, MN .

In Lennox, at home: **Donna White**; at GSC: **Ray Bunjer**; in Flandreau, at Riverview Healthcare & Nursing Home: **Mike Reed**; in Canistota, at Good Samaritan Center: **Walter Otten**; in Sioux Falls, at Stoneybrooke Suites, **Harven Brass**; at Prairie Creek Memory Care, **Erma DeWilde**; at Good Samaritan Village, **LaVerne Miller**; at Dakotabilities, **BJ Olson**

Those with cancer: **Arland Abbas, John Carlson, Erin Haan, Terry Haan** and **Charlotte Lounsbery**

In the military: **Ben Miller**

Announcements

The Children’s Sunday School Lesson video will be posted on the church Facebook page today. Please use it as you have family time today with your children.

The Discipleship Explored videos are available on YouTube. There are also extra study books available on the information table in the narthex.

Church Members & Friends:

- * **If you have a need**—spiritual, physical or other—during this time, please don’t hesitate to contact the church office at 647-2659, Pastor Sayler, or one of the Elders or Deacons.
- * **If you are made aware of another member’s need**, please let the church office, Pastor Sayler, or one of the Elders or Deacons know so that we may contact them and offer our assistance.
- * **If you are willing to assist with any needs** that our shut-in members and friends may have during this time of “social distancing,” please contact the church office at 647-2659, or Pastor Sayler. This may be delivering groceries, picking up prescriptions or mail, or any other detail of normal daily life that they don’t feel they can safely move about our community for at this time. The Elders and Deacons will contact you with any needs that arise. Thank you to those who have expressed their willingness to help with this project.
- * **Please be the feet & hands of Christ** to those around you and remember to check on elderly neighbors and friends during our time apart from one another.
- * **Pray for one another.**

HOPE IS HERE!

As we face these uncertain and difficult times, we want to relay the message that Hope Is Here in the church. We are challenged to remember that God is in control. Let us share this message of hope with one another, our families and our Lennox Community.

One way to encourage is through a scripture reminder in the windows of our church. Would you consider making a poster? If you are interested in joining this effort, see the one already posted in one of the North fellowship hall windows.

If you would like more information, a poster board already cut to size, a scripture passage, etc., please contact Gail Strasser at 321-6012 or email Gail at davegail@midco.net. – **HOPE IS HERE!!**

Continued Giving... Even though the church cannot come together for worship on Sunday or activities through the week, ministry continues, and so does our need for your support. We prayerfully encourage you to continue to contribute to the mission and ministry of Lennox Ebenezer as you are able.

In order to encourage giving, we have made arrangements for a variety of ways to contribute. Please consider the following options:

- ◆ You can bring your offering by to the church office.
- ◆ You can drop your offering in the contribution box across from the Pastor's Study. This was originally used for the Building Fund offerings, but your weekly or monthly offerings can be deposited there now.
- ◆ You can always mail your offering to the church at PO Box 632, Lennox, SD 57039.
- ◆ You can set up a direct deposit with your bank. Please contact Brenda Sinning for more information.
- ◆ We have a link set up for online giving, which will be available on the church website and in the weekly Church emails. This will be a secure and confidential giving platform for one time gifts and repeated scheduled giving.

In The Spirit of Giving...	Offerings to Date		As of 3/31/20
	General Fund		
<u>Projected Budget</u>	<u>Giving</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	
\$52,293.00	\$53,250.50	\$48,508.21	
	Mission Fund		
<u>Budget</u>	<u>Giving</u>	<u>Needed</u>	
\$37,790	\$7,328.82	\$30,461.18	

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The April Newsletter... is in your mailboxes today.

The Deacon's Fund Offering... for March totaled \$2,199.00.

The First Quarter... Sunday School Mission project offering for The Alpha Center Baby Closet totaled \$426.64. Items will be purchased and then taken to the center along with those that were brought to the church.

Thank you... to all who donated peanut butter & jelly for the March Love Gift for the Union Gospel Mission. The Auxiliary meeting was cancelled, but the items have been delivered to the Mission. Ebenezer was to host the April 17th meeting, but it has also been cancelled.

Mission Updates... from Ross & Ellen Errington, Bill & Susan Carr, Chris & Josephine Hatch and the Union Gospel Mission are posted on the Mission bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall hallway.

For those 60+, living in Lennox... Senior Meals are available for delivery to your home for anyone 60+ during this time of the COVID-19, through your Senior Dining program. You need not be home-bound to participate in this service. Please contact the Lennox Senior Center at (605) 647-2435 for further information and to sign up. Recommended meal cost is 4.00.