

Closed Communion

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated today. As a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, we follow the historic Christian practice of closed communion. According to the words of St. Paul in 1 Corinthians 11, only those who share the same outward confession of faith join us at the altar. Members of other LC-MS congregations are welcome, but we ask that you please see the pastor before communing. If you arrive too late to do this before the service, please introduce yourself to the pastor after the service.

Visitors

We welcome you. Please sign the guest book and introduce yourself to the Pastor. Also complete a blue attendance card located in the pews and put an X in the () if you will be communing with us. We invite you to join us for Bible Study on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in the school gym.

Passiontide

As the passion of Our Lord’s crucifixion and resurrection draws nearer, the church observes an even deeper reflection on the pain, suffering, and sacrifice of Jesus for our life and forgiveness. While the fourth Sunday in Lent (Laetare) gave a brief reprieve from the penitential nature of Lent, the fifth Sunday in Lent (Judica) brings even greater anticipation of Good Friday. Judica is sometimes called “Passion Sunday,” which is the beginning of Passiontide: Judica, Palmarum, and Holy Week. For that reason, on Judica, the crosses are veiled as Jesus leaves the temple in humble expectation of the cross and Passion of Jesus Christ. The gauzy black material used to veil is black, like that of a widow’s mourning veil. Historically, paintings would be veiled also, and any artistic triptychs closed. During Passiontide, the less *Gloria Patri* (“Glory Be To the Father...”) is omitted when used with psalmody and canticles, just as the Alleluias and the greater *Gloria in Excelsis* are omitted during the Gesimatide (Pre-Lent) and Lent seasons. This means that the end of the *Nunc Dimittis* and *Magnificat* is removed until the joy of the resurrection in Easter Season. The next Sunday in Passiontide (Palmarum) continues with the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem: Hosanna to the Son of David! Palm Sunday is part of Passiontide leading into Holy Week, hence its name, Palmarum. Thus, the Sunday before Easter includes both the festive waving of palm branches as well as the restrained reverence of the Passion of Our Lord. Palmarum often includes both the procession with palms and also the lengthy reading of the passion of Our Lord.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
JUDICA
Thursday, April 3, 2025 – 6:30 PM
Sunday, April 6, 2025 – 8:00 and 10:45 AM
✠ *In Nomine Iesu* ✠

Opening Hymn *Not All the Blood of Beasts* LSB 431

Divine Service Setting Three LSB 184

The Introit *Psalm 43:3-5; antiphon: vv. 1-2a*
The congregation chants the verses in **bold** print.

Vindicate me, | O God,*
and defend my cause against an ungodly | people,
from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!*

For you are the God in whom I take | refuge.

Send out your light and your truth; let them | lead me;*
let them bring me to your holy hill and to your | dwelling!

Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my ex- | ceeding joy,*
and I will praise you with the lyre, O | God, my God.

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil with- | in me?*

Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation | and my God.

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and defend my cause against an ungodly | people,
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Kyrie LSB 186

Salutation and Collect of the Day LSB 189

The Old Testament Reading *Genesis 22:1-14*

¹After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here am I.” 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 am I, 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 am I.” 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.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Reading

Hebrews 9:11-15

¹¹When 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) ¹²he 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. ¹³For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, ¹⁴how 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.

¹⁵Therefore 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.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Tract

Psalm 129:1–4

Please stand. The congregation chants the verses in **bold** print.

During the Pre-Lent and Lenten seasons, we omit the Alleluia and pray the Tract

¹“Greatly have they afflicted me | from my youth”—*

let Israel | now say—

²“**Greatly have they afflicted me | from my youth,***
yet they have not prevailed a- | gainst me.


³The plowers plowed up- | on my back;*,
they made long their | furrows.”

⁴**The LORD is | righteous;*,**
he has cut the cords of the | wicked.

The Holy Gospel

John 8:(42-45)46-59

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.




G Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

⁴²Jesus said to them, “If God were your Father, you would love me, for I came from God and I am here. I came not of my own accord, but he sent me. ⁴³Why do you not understand what I say? It is because you cannot bear to hear my word. ⁴⁴You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father’s desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and has nothing to do with the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies. ⁴⁵But because I tell the truth, you do not believe me. ⁴⁶“Which one of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me? ⁴⁷Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God.”

⁴⁸The Jews answered him, “Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?” ⁴⁹Jesus answered, “I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. ⁵⁰Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. ⁵¹Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death.” ⁵²The 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.’ ⁵³Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?” ⁵⁴Jesus answered, “If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, ‘He is our God.’ ⁵⁵But 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. ⁵⁶Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad.” ⁵⁷So the Jews said to him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?” ⁵⁸Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.” ⁵⁹So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Nicene Creed	LSB 191
Hymn of the Day	<i>My Song Is Love Unknown</i> LSB 430
The Sermon	<i>Before Abraham Was, I Am</i>
The Offertory	LSB 192
Prayer of the Church	LSB 193
Liturgy of Holy Communion	LSB 194
Distribution Hymns	LSB 448, 420, 544, 454, 642
Nunc Dimittis	LSB 199
Salutation and Benedicamus	LSB 201
Benediction	LSB 202
Closing Hymn	<i>Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing</i> LSB 421

✠ *Soli Deo Gloria* ✠

Wednesday Lenten Midweek Vespers & Holy Week Services	
March 5 Ash Wednesday	4:00 & 6:30 p.m.
March 12 (meal at 5pm)	4:00 & 6:30 p.m.
March 19 (no meal)	4:00 & 6:30 p.m.
March 26 (meal at 5pm)	4:00 & 6:30 p.m.
April 2 (meal at 5pm)	4:00 & 6:30 p.m.
April 9 (meal at 5pm)	4:00 & 6:30 p.m.
April 13 Palm Sunday	8:00 & 10:45 a.m.
April 17 Maundy Thursday	4:00 & 6:30 p.m.
April 18 Good Friday Tre Ore	1:00 p.m.
Good Friday Tenebrae	6:30 p.m.
April 19 Easter Vigil at Mt. Zion	8:00 p.m.
April 20 The Resurrection of Our Lord	8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Wednesday	3/26	4:00 p.m.	53
		6:30 p.m.	18
Thursday	3/27	6:30 p.m.	24
Sunday	3/30	8:00 a.m.	95
		10:45 a.m.	47

WE PRAY for Mary Ankerberg, Michael Borchardt, Annika Buck, Tom Domagalski, Daut Gaba, Donna Howarth, Paul Howe, William Moore (husband of Barbara Moore), Susan Sochowski (wife of Mark Sochowski), Jan Wicks, and Barbara Wieting.

BULLETINS are given in memory of Donald Kolter, by his daughter Candace Kolter.

PRAYER OF COMFORT for Sharon Jazdzewski (school custodian), whose daughter, Colleen Jazdzewski passed away last week. Funeral arrangements are pending. Blessed are those who die in the Lord for they shall inherit eternal life.

OFFICE OF THE HOLY MINISTRY In John 20, the Lord Jesus breathed on the Apostles and said "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." In the giving of the Holy Spirit to his disciples in Acts 2, Christ has established the office of pastor for His bride, the Church: to forgive sins in Christ's stead, to preach the Lord's crucifixion, and to distribute the sacraments.

OFLC PASTORAL CALL At the voters' meeting on March 2, the congregation voted to extend a divine call to Rev. Brennick Christiansen to be our next pastor. Please keep him and his family in your prayers as he considers this decision.

PASTOR CHRISTIANSEN CALL TO MISSOURI Pastor Christiansen has returned the divine call to serve as associate pastor and teaching principal at Ebenezer Lutheran Church in Leslie, Missouri.

PASTOR CHRISTIANSEN CALL TO ARKANSAS Pastor Christiansen received a divine call to serve as associate pastor at All Saints Lutheran Church and School in Jonesboro, Arkansas. His duties would include preaching, services, visitation, teaching catechesis and classical school subjects, and helping to start their high school in the next few years. Please keep him and his family in your prayers as he considers and discerns.

SCRIP Orders are due today, Sunday, April 6. A Scrip order box, order forms, and envelopes are located in the narthex and church/school office. Call Linda Hojnacki with any questions at (414) 427-5949.

ML CONCERT The Symphonic Band of Martin Luther High School, led by Director Jessica Kindschi Walter, will be performing a concert today, Sunday, April 6 at 6:00 p.m. at Martin Luther High School as part of their seven-day concert tour to Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Indiana. You are cordially invited to attend. A free-will offering will be received to help the students defray the cost of the tour.

VOTERS MEETING There will be a Voter's Assembly meeting in the church next Sunday, April 13 immediately following the 8:00 a.m. service. The main purpose of the meeting is to call teachers for the next school year. Please plan to attend.

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION Children are invited to participate in the palm procession next Sunday at the beginning of the service. They will follow pastor and the cross down the middle aisle and will then join their family in the pew.

FESTIVAL CHOIR rehearsals continue every Wednesday at 5:20 p.m. (between the Lenten Midweek services) in the church balcony. All are welcome to join - no previous choir experience is necessary. Questions - ask Stephen Johnson (sjohnson@ourfatherslutheran.org)

LENTEN SUPPERS Below is the date and sponsor for the remaining Lenten supper:
April 9: Sunday School
Please join us for some fellowship and fun!

TROJAN HIGHLIGHT Our 7th/8th grade Life Science class welcomed guest visitor Mr. Jess Hardel and one of his chickens, a Boston Red hen, to our classroom. Mr. Hardel brought 12 eggs from a variety of chickens, to place in our incubator over the next three weeks! The class is excited to monitor the temperature and humidity of the incubator to keep the conditions ideal for development. Lord willing, during the week after Easter, our chicks will hatch, and we can introduce them to the school!

EASTER EGG HUNT Bring your family to the Our Father's Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 19 at 10:00 a.m. Enjoy some hot chocolate, coffee, and cookies while the kids hunt for Easter Eggs. See the forms in the narthex for further details.

BOILER PROJECT MATCH OPPORTUNITY Our current income for this project is \$79,027.49 including the first match gift. The total cost for the project is \$122,000. If you would like to contribute, please put it in a separate envelope, mark it “Boiler Project,” and either place in offering basket or bring to the church office. We have received an additional match gift of \$30,000. More information will be coming soon.

RE-ENROLLMENT is now open for all returning students in any of the School Choice programs (Milwaukee, Wisconsin, or Racine) for the 2025-26 school year. The next deadline for the Milwaukee and Racine programs enrollment is ***April 17***. The Wisconsin program deadline is ***April 17***. Our Father's Enrollment is also now open. Please share this information with any school aged families who are looking for a Lutheran School to attend. Contact Mr. Cahill or Mrs. Wang at 414-282-7500 with any questions.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Our Father’s and Mt. Zion will be hosting a joint Vacation Bible School here at Our Father’s June 23-27 from 9-11:30 a.m. each day. All children ages 3 through 4th grade are encouraged to attend. We are also looking for 5-12th grade student volunteers. Please see the flyer in the narthex to either register your child or volunteer to help. We look forward to a wonderful week!

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday	4/6	DIVINE SERVICES Adult Bible Class and Sunday School Scrip Orders Due	8:00 & 10:45 a.m. 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday	4/9	Morning Bible Study LENTEN VESPERS Light Meal Festival Choir Rehearsal (in church balcony)	9:30 a.m. 4:00 & 6:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:20 p.m.
Thursday	4/10	DIVINE SERVICE	6:30 p.m.
Friday	4/11	Spring Play (3 short plays by 3 rd -8 th Graders)	6:30 p.m.
Sunday	4/13	DIVINE SERVICE Adult Bible Class and Sunday School Voter’s Assembly Meeting in Church	8:00 & 10:45 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m.

**THE CONGREGATION AT PRAYER
FOR THE WEEK OF
THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
JUDICA**

“Before Abraham Was, I Am”
April 6 through April 12, 2025

Judica means vindicate or judge me. The plea of faith is for God to be our judge, not the unbelieving world which surrounds us. The judgment of God is not the same as the judgment of the world which can rightly point to all our sinful behavior. God’s judgment is rendered for us in Christ. The judgment is that all who live by faith in the only-begotten Son who was offered up at the cross will be saved (John 3:17-21). Faith looks to Jesus to plead our case and defend us against the innumerable accusations of the devil, the world, and our sinful flesh. Christ is the Light and the Truth who leads us up to the holy hill of Calvary that we might enter the new Zion, the Church, and heaven itself. Jesus draws us to the altar to pronounce His Father’s judgment of joy as we eat His flesh and drink His blood to have life. The Judge forgives our sins in this Supper and sends us away in His peace. Faith finds its hope in this word of God, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” In the Judge’s word declared publicly over us at the altar, we are delivered from deceitful and unjust men.

INVOCATION: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN**

THE CREED

VERSE: ¹⁸ I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. **Romans 8:18**

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **AMEN**

PSALM OF THE WEEK: 73

PSALMODY PRAYER: Let me not be discouraged that the wicked and ungodly are at ease and prosper in this life. Strengthen my heart that I may trust in You and be my portion forever for there is none other god in heaven or on earth. **AMEN.**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Monday	Luke 23:39-56
Tuesday	John 12:1-11
Wednesday	John 12:12-26
Thursday	John 13:1-20
Friday	John 13:21-38
Saturday	Matthew 21:1-9

**CATECHISM FOR THE WEEK: Table of Duties
Of Citizens**

Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's. *Matthew 22:21*

It is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also because of conscience. This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing. Give everyone what you owe him: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor. *Romans 13:5-7*

I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good and pleases God our Savior. *1 Timothy 2:1-3*

Remind the people to be subject to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready to do whatever is good. *Titus 3:1*

Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every authority instituted among men: whether to the king, as the supreme authority, or to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right.
1 Peter 2:13-14

Luther, Large Catechism, Sacrament of the Altar (1528): You will certainly also, in addition to the flesh and the world, have the devil about you. Him you will not completely tread under foot because not even our Lord Christ could entirely avoid His temptations. Now, what is the devil? Nothing else than what the Scripture calls him, a liar and a murderer. He is a liar who seduces the heart away from God’s Word and blinds it so that you become insensitive to your need and unable to come to Christ. He is a murderer who begrudges you every hour of your life. If you could see how many of his

knives, spears, and arrows are aimed at you every moment, you would be glad to come to the Sacrament as often as you can. The one reason why we go about so heedlessly in our false sense of security is that we do not admit or believe that we are living in the flesh, in the world, and in the devil’s domain. Here, therefore, is something for you to try; practice it well: Look down deep into yourself, look round about you a little, and simply hold to what Scripture says about it all. If after doing this you still feel no need of the Sacrament, then you have all the more reason to lay your trouble before both God and your brother. Seek the counsel of others, and let them pray for you, and be sure not to give up until the rocky crust of your heart is broken. The trouble you are in will then be laid open to view, and you will become aware that you have sunk twice as low as any other poor sinner and are in much greater need than he of the Sacrament in order to overcome the misery which, unfortunately, you did not see. Be sure to do this. God may give you grace to become more sensitive to your need and hungrier for the Sacrament. You should do this especially because in his attempt to capture and ruin you, soul and body, the devil is pressuring and pursuing you so hard that you cannot be safe from him for a single hour. How much he would like to bring you into sudden misery and trouble when you least expect it! Let this serve as an exhortation not only for us older grown-ups but also for the young people who are to be brought up in Christian doctrine and its right understanding. It might help to make it easier to instill the Ten Commandments, the Creed, and the Lord’s Prayer into the young, so that they would gladly and genuinely accept them and put them early into habitual use. For we are really at the point where we can do no more with older people in order to assure the perpetuation of these and similar teachings. All we can expect to do is to train the people who are to come after us and step into our office and work so that, in their turn, they will bring up their children well. In this way, God’s Word and the Christian church will be preserved. Therefore, let every head of a family remember that God’s injunction and command makes him responsible to teach his children, or to have them taught, what they know. Having been baptized and taken up into the Christian church, the young people should also enjoy this fellowship of the Sacrament so that they may become useful and of service to us. For surely they are all to help us to live lives of faith, love, and prayer, and to fight against the devil. (CPH, 1978, pp. 120-121)

PRAYER: Each day a different aspect of Christian life is covered.

Monday	Our Baptism, calling, and daily work
Tuesday	Deliverance from sin and temptation
Wednesday	Marriage, family, and schools
Thursday	The Lord’s Supper, the Church, and Her Pastors
Friday	The Preaching of the Cross, the persecuted, and missions
Saturday	True repentance and restoration of the withering
Sunday	The Hope of the resurrection and faithfulness to the Word

THE LORD’S PRAYER

LUTHER’S MORNING PRAYER: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me that the Evil Foe may have no power over me. **AMEN.**

OR

LUTHER’S EVENING PRAYER: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the Evil Foe may have no power over me. **AMEN.**

HYMN OF THE WEEK: *LSB 422 “On My Heart Imprint Your Image”*

1 On my heart imprint Your image,
 Blessèd Jesus, King of grace,
That life’s riches, cares, and pleasures
 Never may Your work erase;
Let the clear inscription be:
Jesus, crucified for me,
 Is my life, my hope’s foundation,
 And my glory and salvation!

**LOOKING FORWARD TO
PALM SUNDAY/SUNDAY OF THE PASSION
PALMARUM**

April 13, 2025
“His Blood Be on Us and Our Children”

HYMNS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: 442, 438, 602, 422, 624, 622, 620, 563

READINGS

Zechariah 9:9-12
Philippians 2:5-11
Matthew 26:1-27:66

They had come to the feast to sacrifice a lamb, and Jesus would be that Lamb. The use of palms recalls the Old Testament Feast of Tabernacles or Booths, which commemorated the wanderings in the wilderness by erecting booths or tent-like structures made of palms. John had begun the Gospel with a reference to the Word tabernacling in the flesh (1:14). The palms before Jesus are a confession of that truth and that He is the true Savior who has come among His people. Indeed, it was God who made the children of Israel dwell in booths when He brought them out of Egypt, but it was also God who brought an end to those booths when they entered into the Promised Land (Leviticus 23:33-44). The new Joshua, Jesus, has come to his people to bring great gladness (Nehemiah 8:13-17). In John 7:2, 37, the Feast of Tabernacles was introduced. The disciples urged Jesus to show Himself to the crowds, but His hour had not yet come. Now His hour has come, and He comes to Jerusalem to pour forth living water from His side as He becomes the Passover Lamb (7:37). Here Jesus becomes the Feast of Tabernacles to which all nations are called (Zechariah 14:16-21). It is also these broken branches that foreshadow the broken hyssop branch that was used to spread the blood on the doors at the Passover.

April 6, 2025



Lent

About the Cover: As Isaiah prophesied about the coming exile, he reminded the people of God what He accomplished for them by forming them to be His people. Our Lord will not abandon us. Indeed, even today, we stand in the shadow of the cross of Christ, which reminds us that He watches over us. God formed us as His people and has forgiven our sins. The journey of life is covered by Christ, the Savior of the world, who continues to be with us.

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