



*Sunday, February 24, 2013
9:00am*

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Second Sunday in Lent

Liturgy Setting: ELW page 184

Thanks for joining us as we worship! "All are welcome" here at East Koshkonong. Come again: soon and often! Please take time to fill out a communion card. Prayer requests may be written on the back. We pray that our time of worship is a blessing for you as surely as your presence is a blessing for us. Join us at the table of Holy Communion where Christ is our host, inviting us to 'come and eat!' (Grape juice is in the center ring of the tray.) Do you desire more information about our congregation? Would you like a visit? Please speak with Pastor Dave.

Confession and Forgiveness.....Page 94

Gathering Hymn..... "*Blessed Be the God of Israel*"#552

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The Prayer of the Day.....

Assistant Minister: God of the covenant,
in the mystery of the cross you promise everlasting life to the world.
Gather all peoples into your arms, and shelter us with your mercy,
that we may rejoice in the life we share in your Son,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

Congregation: Amen.

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church Choir..... "*Go Now In Peace*"

Time for Children.....Pastor Dave Nelsestuen

First Lesson**Genesis 15:1–12, 17–18**

God promises a childless and doubting Abram that he will have a son, that his descendants will be as numerous as the stars, and that the land of Canaan will be their inheritance. Abram's trust in God is sealed with a covenant-making ceremony, a sign of God's promise.

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ²But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

⁷Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." ⁸But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" ⁹He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." ¹⁰He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. ¹¹And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

¹²As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. ¹⁷When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces.

¹⁸On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life

Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.

Psalm.....Psalm 27

Assisting Minister = A: ~ Congregation = C:

A: ¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then ¹shall I fear?
The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I ¹be afraid?

C: ²**When evildoers close in against me to de-¹vour my flesh,
they, my foes and my enemies, will stum-¹ble and fall.**

A: ³Though an army encamp against me, my heart ¹will not fear.
Though war rise up against me, my trust will ¹not be shaken.

C: ⁴**One thing I ask of the LORD; one ¹thing I seek;
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God ¹in the temple.**

A: ⁵For in the day of trouble God will ¹give me shelter,
hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high up-¹ on a rock.

C: ⁶**Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies ¹who surround
me. Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of
rejoicing; I will sing and make music ¹to the LORD.**

A: ⁷Hear my voice, O LORD, ¹when I call;
have mercy on me and ¹answer me.

C: ⁸**My heart speaks your message—¹ "Seek my face."
Your face, O LORD, ¹I will seek.**

A: ⁹Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your ser-¹vant in
anger. Cast me not away—you have been my helper;
forsake me not, O God of ¹my salvation.

C: ¹⁰**Though my father and my moth-¹er forsake me,
the LORD will ¹take me in.**

A: ¹¹Teach me your ¹way, O LORD;
lead me on a level path, because of ¹my oppressors.

C: ¹²**Subject me not to the will ¹of my foes,
for they rise up against me, false witnesses ¹breathing violence.**

A: ¹³This I believe—that I will see the goodness¹ of the LORD
in the land¹ of the living!

C: ¹⁴**Wait for the LORD¹ and be strong.
Take heart and wait¹ for the LORD!**

Second Lesson.....**Philippians 3:17—4:1**

Although Paul's devotion to Christ has caused him to be persecuted, he does not regret the course he has taken. Writing from prison, he expresses confidence in a glorious future and encourages other Christians to follow in his footsteps.

Chapter 3

¹⁷Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. ¹⁸For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears.

¹⁹Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. ²¹He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself.

Chapter 4

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved..

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life

Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation, *Lenten Response*.....Page 189

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the thirteenth chapter.

Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel.....**Luke 13:31–35**

Neither Herod's plotting nor Jerusalem's resistance to maternal love will deter Jesus from his sacrificial mission.

³¹At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." ³²He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. ³³Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' ³⁴Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!

³⁵See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ

The Sermon.....Pastor Dave Nelsestuen

Hymn of the Day “The God of Abraham Praise”#831 vs. 1-4

The Apostles’ Creed.....

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the Church.....

Assisting Minister: Hear us, O God.
Congregation: Your mercy is great.

Sharing of the peace.....

The Offering.....

Offering Prayer.....

Great Thanksgiving..... Page 190

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Communion Distribution.....

*You are invited to sing the following hymns during the
distribution of Communion:*

**“Thy Holy Wings” #613
“Just As I Am” #592**

Prayer after Communion.....

Assisting Minister : O God, in this holy meal
you have embraced us and gathered us into your arms of compassion
and protection. Release us now to go on our way in these forty days,
ready to see our work as prayer,
ready to fast from complacency,
and ready to share with those in need;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

The Benediction.....

Announcements.....

The Sending Hymn... "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"#536

The Dismissal.....

Assisting Minister: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

~ Worship Assistants ~

Pastor ~ Pastor Dave Nelsestuen

Assisting Minister ~ Karen Hayes

Lector ~ Elizabeth Kaashagen

Acolytes ~ Will Kaashagen & Katie Dieckhoff

Greeter ~ Carson Kaashagen

Ushers ~ Don & Eileen Hoehn, Carol Wibralski & Dennis Ehle

Communion Set-up/Take-down ~ Holly Loomis & Judy Taylor

Communion Assistants ~ Gloria Fruit & Holly Loomis

Organist ~ Judy Rusch

Coffee Hour ~ Justice Circle

~Prayer Requests ~

Thanksgiving to God for...

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry.

-Prayers for the ministries of John and Amy Lindstrom, Lindsay Stolen, and Jens Notstad.

God's guidance and direction for...

-Please keep the family of Irene Swain in your thoughts and prayers as we express sympathy for their loss.

-For peace in Syria, Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya and among all the nations of the world.

God's protection and safety for those being deployed...

- Please remember all our veterans. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and service to their country.

Healing and health concerns...

-Erna Rude

-Barbara Bergum

-Ann Nottestad

-Mary Walheim

-Tom Kieffer

-Caleb Wipperfurth

-Leif Ehrke

-Judy Luginbuhl*

Please note: If you have a prayer request and want it put in the bulletin, please write it down on the back of the communion/welcome card or notify the office before noon on Wednesday. **Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested.**

Prayer requests week Feb. 17, 2013

*Denotes new/changed request

~Calendar of Events~

Sunday, February 24, 2013

- 9:00am Worship
10:15am Sunday School
10:15am Coffee Hour hosted by Justice Circle

Wednesday, February 27, 2013

- 10:30am Z-A Prayer Service
6:00pm Lenten Supper hosted by Diane Luginbuhl to sponsor the Susan G. Koman Walk
6:45pm Lenten Worship Service

Sunday, March 3, 2013

- 9:00am Worship
10:15am Coffee Hour hosted by the Sunday School

LENTEN WORSHIP WEDNESDAYS 6:45PM

No Confirmation Classes Feb. 13-March 27, 2013

Confirmands attend mid-week worship

During the Lenten season, each Wednesday evening we will gather for a supper at 6:00, with Lenten Worship beginning at 6:45p.m.

Wednesday, Feb 27th

- 6:00pm Lenten Meal Hosted by:
Diane Luginbuhl to sponsor the
Susan G. Koman Walk
6:45pm Lenten Worship

Wednesday, March 6th:

- 6:00pm Lenten Meal Hosted by:
ARK and Altar Guild
6:45pm Lenten Worship

Wednesday, March 13th

- 6:00pm Lenten Meal Hosted by: Confirmation Class
6:45pm Lenten Worship

Wednesday, March 20th

- 6:00pm Congregation Potluck! *Please bring the following according to the first letter in your last name:
A-I ~ Desserts, J-N ~ Main Dishes, O-Z ~ Salads
6:45pm Lenten Worship



~ Announcements ~

- **Are you missing a coat?** There have been a few coats noticed left hanging after worship and funeral services. Please check and see if they belong to you.
- **Prayer Service every Wednesday this year** there will be two opportunities for us to gather together to pray for our members. There will be a short (15 minute?) prayer service at 10:30a.m. and 7:00p.m each Wednesday. *(during Lent the prayers will be included during the 6:45 Wednesday Lenten Worship Service).* During these services we will pray for every member listed on the calendar for that week. All are welcome to come either at 10:30a.m. or 7:00p.m. for this group opportunity to offer prayer support to our members. If you know of someone who would like to be added to our “Praying from Z to A” list please let us know.
- **Wildtree Slow Cooker Workshop Saturday, March 16th – time and location to be determined.** As you are aware, Caleb Wipperfurth was diagnosed with a rare form of bone cancer and is currently undergoing chemotherapy treatments. With the stress and travel associated with this process, we need to ensure the entire family is well nourished! To make it super simple for them, please consider attending the Wildtree Slow Cooker workshop on Saturday, March 16th, hosted by Ann Nottestad along with Karen Hayes, Wildtree representative. How does it work? You will purchase a bundle of Wildtree products, which will be waiting for you at the workshop. Prior to the workshop, you will prepare the proteins and extras, in accordance with the directions provided ahead of time. After about an hour and a half of fun, you will have prepared 10 freezer meals that will feed a family of 4, or 20 meals that will feed a family of 2! We only ask that you donate at least one meal to the Wipperfurth family – the rest is yours for simple, healthy and delicious meals for your family! Please sign up by Thursday, March 7th by contacting Ann Nottestad at (608) 575-4569 or sajen_14@yahoo.com or by calling Karen Hayes at (608) 423-3057.
- **Hymn Sing!!** There will be an Easter Season Hymn Sing at East Koshkoning on April 13th at 2:30 P.M. You are all invited to attend and all are invited to participate. If you or someone you know would like to perform at this event, please let the church office know by March 9th. That will give plenty of time for the ARK group to arrange the program, do advertising and promotion. There will be refreshments served afterward and if you have an Easter bonnet, be sure to wear it!!

~Meeting God Again, for the First Time~ This Week's Bible Readings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Deut. 20-23	Deut. 24-27	Deut. 28-29	Deut. 30-31	Deut. 32-34	Joshua 1-4	Joshua 5-7

This Weeks “Reading Through the Bible Quiz” Question:
Where was Moses buried?