



# Lent | First Sunday

8:30 am & 10:45 am February 18, 2024

## New to COS?

If this is your first time at COS, please sign our guestbook:



## Kids Church

Rooms 100-104 after the children's message until the end of the 10:45 am service. Pre-school-4th grade.

## Nursery

Room 101. Drop off either before the start of 10:45 am worship or after the children's message. Children are welcome to stay in the service too.

## Hearing Assistance

The sanctuary is equipped with Williams Hearing Assist technology. Personal receivers are at the AV console.

## Hymn 404:1-4 Jesus, Grant that Balm and Healing

### *Stand*

In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.  
**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our sins  
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

**I am sinful by nature**

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

**I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins**

**with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

### *Silence for meditation and reflection*

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

## Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



**A - men.**

## Hymn Response—404:5

**O my God, my rock and tower, grant that in your death I trust,  
knowing death has lost its power since you crushed it in the dust.  
Savior, let your agony ever help and comfort me;  
when I die be my protection, light and life and resurrection**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Mighty God and Father, our Lord Jesus walked into the wilderness to face the devil's temptations, but he did not succumb to Satan's lies or falter in his resolve to save the world from the prison of hell. Bolster our faith by his mighty victory that we may battle against the forces of evil with courage and confidence; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Be seated*

## First Reading

*Genesis 22:1–18*

## Second Reading

*Romans 8:31–39*

<sup>31</sup>What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup>Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. <sup>35</sup>Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written:

“For your sake we face death all day long;  
we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.”

<sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

<sup>38</sup>For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, <sup>39</sup>neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*Stand*

## Gospel Acclamation

Hebrews 4:15

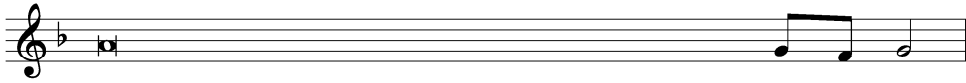


### Refrain

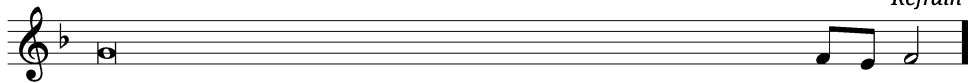


Glo - ry, praise, and hon - or to you, Lord Je - sus Christ.

### Tone



We do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weak - ness - es;



we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin.

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## Gospel

Mark 1:12–15

<sup>12</sup>At once the Spirit sent him out into the wilderness, <sup>13</sup>and he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and angels attended him.

<sup>14</sup>After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. <sup>15</sup>“The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Be seated. The children are invited to the chancel steps for a message in the 10:45 am service.*

## Hymn 525 The Lamb

### Sermon

*Stand*

## **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Be seated*

## **Prayer of the Church**

### **Offering**

*Offerings may be given via the QR code ([cosrock.org/donate](https://cosrock.org/donate)) or the plates at the entrance to the sanctuary.*



### **Hymn 819:1-4 If God Himself Be for Me**

*Stand*

## **Closing Prayer**

### **Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

### **Blessing**

### **Hymn 819:5-7 If God Himself Be for Me**

# Announcements

## **Lenten Vespers**

*February 21-March 30*

This Wednesday's Lenten Vespers worship begins a series called "Baptized into His Death." These services will be about forty minutes in length and will review a portion of Martin Luther's Small Catechism. Members of this year's confirmation class will also assist us. The service on March 6 will be led by the Martin Luther College Choir. It will last over an hour.

## **Lenten Suppers**

*5:30 - 6:20 pm Wednesdays, Feb 14-March 20*

Prior to each of the Lenten Vespers is a Lenten Supper,. While not having to make supper on a night you are also coming to church is a convenience, the real purpose of the Lenten Suppers is fellowship. Eat when you arrive. Eat with your COS sisters and brothers. This Wednesday: Jambalaya .

## **Flower Sign Up for Easter Chancel Garden**

*Wednesday, March 6*

Now is the time to sign up for providing lilies, tulips, hyacinths, daffodils, etc for the chancel garden on Easter Sunday. As in year's past, 1. you order the plants you want via the sign up sheet and remit the amount in the same way you do your offerings; 2. the florist delivers them to COS; 3. plants are arranged in chancel for Easter Sunday; 4. you take your plants home after the worship services on Easter Sunday. The sign up sheet is on the counter in the lobby.

## **Camp Lor-Ray**

*Jn 30-Ju 2 , 1st-3rd grs*

*Jul 7-12, 4th-6th grs*

*Jul 14-19, 7th-9th grs*

Kids Camp is coming at our WELS-ELS Camp Lor-Ray located near Michigan's Adventure, just north of Muskegon. Check out the registration info and volunteer staffing info at [CampLor-Ray.org](http://CampLor-Ray.org). Questions: [Camplorray@gmail.com](mailto:Camplorray@gmail.com).

## **Preschool Enrollment for 2024/25**

*Now enrolling at [cosrock.org/preschool](http://cosrock.org/preschool)*

Next school year COS Preschool will again be offering preschool for 3s and 4s, as well as Toddler Time. For more information visit [cosrock.org/preschool](http://cosrock.org/preschool) or contact Linda Gauger ([lindaugauer@live.com](mailto:lindaugauer@live.com), 616.866.0611).

# Announcements

## **COS 40+**

We've had great success with 20s/30s fellowship events. But why should the kids get to have all the fun? Adults in the 40+ age group are invited to a St. Patrick's Day party hosted by Ken & Leslie Ruppel on Friday, March 15th at 6:30 pm. Bring a side dish to share. RSVP online at [cosrock.org/40plus](http://cosrock.org/40plus).

## **Preschool 4's Classroom Assistant Position**

Would you like to work part-time (mornings, M-F, during the school year) at COS Preschool beginning in the Fall? Contact Linda Gauger ([lindaugauer@live.com](mailto:lindaugauer@live.com), 616.866.0611) for more info.

## **COS Prayer Pals**

Ladies who would like to be involved in the Prayer Pals group are invited to sign up at the welcome center or online at [cosrock.org/prayerpals](http://cosrock.org/prayerpals). The signup will be open until March 4. If you have any questions about the group, email Becky Becker at [rebekahbecker@yahoo.com](mailto:rebekahbecker@yahoo.com).

## **Desserts Needed**

We are having a lasagna dinner on the night the MLC choir will be here to sing (Wednesday, March 6). Members of COS are asked to supply the desserts for the meal. The MLC choir will be eating at 4:45 (before the congregation eats at 5:30). Desserts can be dropped off at church the day before or on the morning of the 6th.

## **Easter for Kids**

*3:00 - 5:00 pm Sunday, March 24*

We are hosting an Easter for Kids event on Sunday, March 24 at 3:00 pm. This vbs-style event for kids in PreK-4th Grade includes Bible stories, crafts, snacks, and concludes with an indoor egg hunt. Online registration is available at [cosrock.org/EFK](http://cosrock.org/EFK).

We also need teen and adult volunteers to make this event possible. If you are interested in helping on that day, please email Heather Hahm ([cosrock\\_staffminister@hotmail.com](mailto:cosrock_staffminister@hotmail.com)). We also need candy (imagine that) and plastic eggs. You can donate either individually or you can donate candy-filled eggs.

# this week @ COS

## Sunday, February 18

8:30 am Worship  
9:45 am Sunday School/Little Lambs/  
Adult Forum  
10:45 am Worship

## birthdays & anniversaries

Tim Erickson

## Monday, February 19

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Bible Study  
6:30 pm New Life in Christ Class

Rick & Bonnie Schrader [58]

Tony Brownell  
Benjamin Rowe

## Tuesday, February 20

Alexis Rusky  
Kendra Winicki

## Wednesday, February 21

9:00 am Preschool 4's  
9:15 am Preschool 3's  
5:30 pm Lent Supper—Jambalaya  
6:30 pm Lent Vespers  
7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, February 22

9:00 am Preschool 4's  
9:15 am Preschool 3's  
6:30 pm Worship

Laurie Marquis

## Friday, February 23

9:00am Preschool 4's  
9:15 am Toddler Time

Ed Harris  
Marli Oliver  
Ella Thelen

## Saturday, February 24

Elijah Berry  
Allison Brussow  
Brielle Moore

## Sunday, February 25

8:30 am Worship  
9:45 am Sunday School/Little Lambs/  
Adult Forum  
10:45 am Worship  
5:00 pm Youth Group Game Night

Shane & Kimi Fuhs [12]  
Brian & Amanda Vannieuwenhoven [18]  
Michael DeWitt  
Meryl Lindloff

## Organist

Kathy Marten

## Worship Leader

Pastor Steve Hahm

## Piano

Kris Nitz

## Guitar

Jack Hahm

## Flute

Terri Rohde

## Offerings

Rick Brancato

Brenda Brancato

## Altar Guild

Jill Weber

Rebekah Becker

Rosemary Winicki

Laurie Marquis

## Snow Patrol

Bill Marquis

Paul Becker

## 8:30 am

### Streaming

Alyssa Becker

James Becker

### Acolyte

Olivia Greenland

### Lector

Randy Hampton

### Usher

Mitchell Herried

Dalton Lewkowski

### Coffee Set Up

Brian Oliver

Marli Oliver

## 10:45 am

### Acolyte

Michael Barile

### Lector

Phil Voss

### Usher

Bill Marquis

Tim Perkins

### Coffee Clean Up

Jake Weihrauch

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