

## Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 22, 2020

**Services have been suspended for at least 2 weeks.  
Find us on Facebook Grace Lutheran Church Saskatoon  
for daily prayers and shortened service.**

Opening Lutheran Service Book 418  
O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days  
Sermon Hymn 424 O Christ, You Walked the Road  
Communion Hymns 550 Lamb of God, 558 Not Unto Us,  
547 The Lamb  
Closing Hymn 430 My Song Is Love Unknown

**TITLE:**

**Rage Against Darkness**

**TEXT: Romans 5:1-8**

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**Thank you:**

Music:	Dawn Senko
Altar Guild:	John MacDonald
Communion Assist:	Cliff Pyle, John Riggs
Greeter/Usher	
Yard care for the weeks of March 23 <sup>rd</sup> to April 4 <sup>th</sup>	Parker MacDonald

### **Holy Communion**

*We believe that worthy participation in Holy Communion requires repentance, faith in Jesus Christ as one's Saviour, and an earnest desire to amend one's sinful life, as well as accepting the Scriptural teaching regarding the real presence of Christ with His body and blood in the Sacrament. "This do in remembrance of me" (Luke 22:19).*

- ❖ **Visitors:** Please fill out a visitor's card. Those desiring to commune with us for the first time, please speak to Pastor Rod before the service. Visitors who do not share the Lutheran Confession are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing
- ❖ **Members:** Please fill out a communion registration card (find them in the holder on the back of the pew in front of you) and place completed cards in the offering plate. These registrations help us follow the worship life of our church family.
- ❖ For those who **cannot** have alcohol, grape juice is available in the center ring of the communion trays

**Offering cards** for those using FaithLife Preauthorized Payment Program are available in the lower righthand mail slot. Pick one up before service and place it in the offering plate. The card will be returned to the mail slot after offering is counted.



## News & Notes

**My dear Christian friends,**

Days are upon that I had hoped not to see in my lifetime or in my ministry. Given the rapidly evolving situation with Covid-19, we are **suspending all services at Grace Lutheran Church** for at least two Sundays. This includes the Lenten service scheduled for April 1st.

This decision was not made lightly, but I and council feel it is for the best.

Let us pray that our time apart will be short, and that God's mercy would preserve us all.

In the meantime please join our Facebook group where I will be live streaming prayers, and an abbreviated service on Sunday morning. The link is: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/509934142353756/>

Your brother in Christ,  
Pastor Rod Parker

If you are looking for ways to be fed with God's Word during the week please make use of:

<https://issuesetc.org/>  
<https://lutheranpublicradio.org/>  
<http://lhm.org>  
<https://thewordendures.org/>

**Sunday morning Bible Study** will be on hiatus until after Easter. Thanks to everyone who has been out for our study on "An Outsider Visits the Lutheran Church."

Pastor Rod will be continuing to serve as Vacancy Pastor for St. John's Warman, and St. Paul's Bergheim. Please remember him and the congregations in your prayers.

**Altar Guild** is looking for someone to assist with setting up Communion. If you are able to serve our congregation in this way, please speak with Bonnie Tomiyama for more details.

### **Foodbank Donations**

Please continue your donations to the foodbank.

The upright **piano** in the sanctuary is looking for a new home. If you are interested or know of someone looking for a piano, contact Rob or anyone on council.

**Readings for March 29<sup>th</sup>** will be:

Old Testament Reading-Ezekiel 37:1-14;  
Epistle-Romans 8:1-11; Holy Gospel-John 11:1-45

## Mission Prayers

Remember Lutheran Church—Canada's mission and ministry partners in prayer each week.

### **NICARAGUA**

**Deaconess Marisela Osorio** and her husband, **Roberto José Zepeda Berrioz**, administrator of the Asociación Mision Cristiana. She serves as deaconess for the Martin Lutero, Chinandega.



**Prayer:** Heavenly Father, as Your Son sent forth His Church to make disciples in all nations, we lift up before You Deaconess Marisela Osorio & her husband Roberto.

### **LuMinHoS Interim Chaplain**

My name is Pastor Michael Diegel and I have been hired as the LuMinHos interim chaplain on a 3/4 time basis. I, along with volunteers, will continue to visit Lutheran patients in the hospitals in Saskatoon and will be on call 24/7. All the contact information remains the. There will be about 7 hours each week when I will not be able to answer the LuMinHos phone and these are when I am working as a chaplain at the Regional Psychiatric Centre. During those times please leave a message and I will answer as soon as I am able.

My primary call is as a chaplain within Corrections Canada and I work in that capacity one day a week. I also serve as the Lutheran partner representative for Scouts and Guides with the Lutheran Council In Canada. --Pr. Michael Diegel

The **Spring Christian Women's Event** at Faith Lutheran Church set for April 25, 2020 has been **cancelled**.

### **March 29, 2020 "Labors of Love"**

The plagues described in Exodus show us the wrath of God and the lengths to which God will go to save His people.

**(Exodus 10)**

See : [www.lhm.org](http://www.lhm.org) for at home resources.

Listen at 7 a.m. on CJWW 600 AM. 7:30 a.m. on CKRM 620 AM; 9 a.m. on CJGX 940 AM. 1 p.m. on CKSW 570 AM.

[www.lutheranhour.ca](http://www.lutheranhour.ca)



**Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020**  
Worship Suspended for at least 2 weeks

**Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
7:30-9:00 p.m. ?? New Covenant Church Rental

**Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
All Lent Midweek cancelled

**Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
Cancelled Weight Watchers

**Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
10:00 a.m.-noon N.A. Meeting

**Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
All Worship services suspended  
Watch our website for more info as it becomes available.

Reminder that news and announcements must be in by Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. to be in the following Sunday's Bulletin. News and announcements for the Website, must also be by this time. *If you have news you would like posted in the bulletin, please contact Donna Clarke during her office hours (Tues.-Thurs. 9:30 -12:30) or to email her at [gracelutheranchurch@shaw.ca](mailto:gracelutheranchurch@shaw.ca)*