

First Sunday in Lent
March 1, 2020



GOLD HILL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

A CONGREGATION OF THE MONTANA SYNOD OF

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA (ELCA)

Welcome to Gold Hill Evangelical Lutheran Church, and a special welcome to our guests and those returning after a time away. We're gathered as a Christian community to worship the Lord!

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning!

Please let us know if there are other ways we can be of service.

Guests are invited to fill out the small green contact card in the rack in front of you and hand it to the Pastor or other worship leaders or place it in the offering plate.

We promise not to 'stalk' anyone – we're just trying to let you know we care.

Our Congregation's Mission Statement:

EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, UNITED TO SERVE

The Guiding Principles of God's People at Gold Hill Lutheran

Principle 1: Jesus Christ is our Lord & Savior

Principle 2: The Holy Spirit & worship strengthen us

Principle 3: We are a welcoming & inviting community in Christ

Principle 4: We share the Word with confidence and courage

Principle 5: Our faith leads us to serve joyfully

Principle 6: We are generous with our gifts

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Today's Worship Leaders

Worship Leaders:	Pastor Trina Johnsten, Interim
Assisting Minister:	Julie Corbin
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Communion Ministers:	Julie Corbin
Ushers:	Vern & Jeanette Nielsen
Roving Greeter:	Mike Lawson
Additional Servant Ministers:	Tavia Broudy & Ruschelle Tyvand

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*Indicates that congregation stands.
Bolded texts are said in unison.

Gathering

Invocation

We gather in the name of the Father,
and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Confession and Forgiveness

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves,
and the truth is not in us.
But if we confess our sins,
God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,
**we confess that we are in bondage to sin
and cannot free ourselves.**
**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.**
**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

Almighty God, in mercy, has given the Son to die for us,
and for his sake, forgives us all our sins.
As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ,
and by Christ's authority,
I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen

Gathering Hymn	<i>In the Cross of Christ I Glory #324</i>
Greeting	page 147
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***Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

**Lord God, our strength,
the struggle between good and evil
rages within and around us,
and the devil and all the forces that defy you
tempt us with empty promises.
Keep us steadfast in your word,
and when we fall, raise us again and restore us
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen**

Word

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.
Lessons may be found at the back of the bulletin.*

Old Testament	Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
Psalm	Psalm 32
Epistle	Romans 5:12-19
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*Gospel	Matthew 4:1-11

As the gospel is announced:

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 4th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

As the gospel is concluded:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Trina Johnsten

***Hymn of the Day**

Borning Cry #732

***Apostles' Creed**

back inside cover of hymnal

***Prayers of the People**

Each portion of the prayer concludes:

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

***Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering and Second Offering

Take My Life, That I May Be #685

(verses 1,4,5)

Offering Prayer

***Great Thanksgiving**

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Holy, Holy, Holy

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Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

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Lamb of God

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Distribution

All are welcome at this Table – members, guests, children, friends.

Communion will be served at the rail today.

Come forward by the center aisle, find an open spot, and return to your seat by the outside aisle.

If you are unable to come forward, we will bring Communion to you.

Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available.

Please let the communion servers know if you need these.

Communion Hymn

Just a Closer Walk with Thee #697

Blessing and Prayer

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

***Sending of Communion**

***Benediction**

Announcements

***Sending Hymn**

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

#618

***Dismissal**

Go in peace. Share the Good News.

Thanks be to God.

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

¹⁵The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the Lord God commanded the man,

“You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

^{3:1}Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’”

²The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’”

⁴But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate.

⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Psalm 32

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!

**Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,
because of my groaning all day long.

**For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and did not conceal my guilt.

I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.”

Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers
to you in time of trouble;
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

**You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

“I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;
I will guide you with my eye.

**Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay near you.”**

Great are the tribulations of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.

**Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord;
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**

Romans 5:12-19

¹²Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—¹³sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man’s trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man’s sin.

For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. ¹⁸Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Matthew 4:1-11

¹Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread."

⁴But he answered, "It is written,

 'One does not live by bread alone,
 but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

 'He will command his angels concerning you,'
 and 'On their hands they will bear you up,
 so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'

⁷Jesus said to him,

 "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹and he said to him,

 "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."

¹⁰Jesus said to him,

 "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,
 'Worship the Lord your God,
 and serve only him.'"

¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.