

Erickson Lutheran Church
30 – 3rd Avenue S. W.

Sunday, March 1, 2026
at 10:30 a.m.

Worship, Sunday School and
Potluck

Second Sunday in Lent, Year A



Welcome/Call to Worship *Choir- “God Loved The World”*

Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

Children’s Song *“God Is So Good”*

God is so good, X3
He’s so good to me

He cares for me, X3
He’s so good to me

I’ll do His will, X3
He’s so good to me

He knows me so, X3
He’s so good to me

Celebration Candle

Confession and Forgiveness

Gracious God, have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

Gathering Hymn *“To God Be The Glory”*

To God be the glory great things He has done,
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the Life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son
And give Him the glory, great things He has done.

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives. R

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. R

Words Fanny Crosby and composed by William Howard Doane (tune) in 1875

Prayer of the Day

O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world 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.

Song of Praise - *See Insert “Bring Many Names” (All Creation Sings 1094)*

Text: Brian Wren, b. 1936

Scripture Readings

Genesis 12:1-4a, Psalm 121, Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Psalm 121 (in our red hymnal they begin after page 338)

- ¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills;
from where is my help to come?
- ² **My help comes from the LORD,
the maker of heaven and earth.**
- ³ The LORD will not let your foot be moved
nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.
- ⁴ **Behold, the keeper of Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep; R**
- ⁵ the LORD watches over you;
the LORD is your shade at your right hand;
- ⁶ **the sun will not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**
- ⁷ The LORD will preserve you from all evil
and will keep your life.
- ⁸ **The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in,
from this time forth forevermore. R**

Gospel Hymn "Oh How He Loves You and Me"

Oh, how He loves you and me, oh, how He loves you and me
He gave His life, what more could He give
Oh, how He loves you, oh how He loves me'
Oh, how He loves you and me.

Jesus to Calvary did go, his love for sinners to show -
What He did there brought hope from despair.
Oh, how He loves you, oh how He loves me
Oh, how He loves you and me.

Words Kurt Kaiser in 1975.

Gospel: John 3:1-17

Word of God Word of Life Thanks be to God

Reflection: Rev. Heather Parrott-Howdle

Hymn of the Day 253 "He Came Down"

Apostles Creed: Tune "Ode to Joy"

**We believe in God the Father, God almighty, by whose plan
Earth and heaven sprang to being all created things began.
We believe in Christ the Saviour, Son of God in human frame,
Virgin-born, the child of Mary upon whom the Spirit came.**

**Christ, who on the cross forsaken, like a Lamb to slaughter led,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate, He descended to the dead.
We believe in Jesus risen, heaven's King to rule and reign,
To the Father's side ascended till as judge He comes again.**

**We believe in God the Spirit; In one church, below, above:
Saints of God in one communion, one in holiness and love.
So by faith, our sins forgiven, Christ our Saviour, Lord and friend,
We shall rise with Him in glory to the life that knows no end.**

Prayers for the People

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

Amen.

Sharing of the Peace:

May the Peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Offering Hymn

“For God So Loved the World”

For God so loved the World , He gave His only Son,
To die on Calvary's tree, from sin to set me free;
Some day He's coming back, what glory that will be!
Wonderful His love to me.

Words Sir John Stainer (1840–1901) in 1887.

Offering Prayer

The Lord's Prayer: (p221 right hand column)

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen

Blessing

Sending Hymn 335 *“Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross”*

Table Grace *“Doxology”*

Be present at our table Lord
Be here and everywhere adore
These mercies bless and grant that we
May feast in paradise with Thee. Amen

Announcements

Dismissal

Go in peace. Believe the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

Activities for the Week March 2 to March 8

Tuesday, March 3 – Healthy Baby Program 10:00 a.m. to Noon
Tuesday, March 3 – Choir at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 5 – World Day of Prayer at 2:00 p.m.

Upcoming Commemorations – Renewers of Faith

George Herbert, hymnwriter, died 1633

Sunday, March 1, 2026

An excellent scholar, Herbert served briefly in the English parliament, then became a parish priest. He was known for devoted care of his parishioners, as well as for writing poetry and hymns, including "Come, my way, my truth, my life." He died at age 40.

John Wesley, died 1791; Charles Wesley, died 1788; renewers of the church

Monday, March 2, 2026

These brothers led a revival originally intended to remain within the Church of England, one that involved frequent communion and advocacy for the poor. Except for a brief time in America, they worked in England. Charles was also a prolific hymn writer. After their deaths, their work led to the formation of the Methodist Church.

Perpetua and Felicity and companions, martyrs at Carthage, died 202

Saturday, March 7, 2026

Vibia Perpetua, a noblewoman, and Felicity, an enslaved woman, were catechumens at Carthage, northern Africa. They, with four other catechumens, had defied the Roman emperor who had forbidden conversions to Christianity, and were put to death in the amphitheater.

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God's Blessings

To God Be The Glory!



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