



Celebrate

Planting Faith ~ Nurturing Hope ~ Sharing God's Love

Third Sunday in Lent Contemporary Worship Service
Sunday, March 8 ~ 8:45am



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GATHERING

Gathering Song – “Sunday Sermons,” Anne Wilson, Ben Glover, Jeff Sojka

**1. Seven years old, third row pew
John 3:16 something changed in me
Red letters coming off the page
Flooding my heart with amazing grace
I knew then I believed
And those roots run deep**

(Pre-Chorus) **Oh I been through some faith shaking hard times
But nothing's gonna make me forget**

(Chorus) **Every one of those Sunday sermons
Every time that choir would sing
I could hear my Savior calling
Telling me how much He loves me
No matter what the world throws at me
I know His word is true
It all started with heart stirring spirit moving
Sunday sermons**

(Interlude) **Devil gonna try and take me out of that church
But you can't take the church out of me
Devil gonna try and take me out of that church
But you can't take the church out of me**

**2. Gonna have my worries, well that's part of life
But then I think of those stories
'Bout what my God can do
He's still moving like He did back then
All of God's people can I get an amen
We've all seen the proof
He makes all things new (*pre-chorus, chorus, interlude*)**

(Bridge) **Jesus loves me, this I know
For the Bible tells me so
Jesus loves me, ain't no doubt
So I'm gonna keep on talking 'bout (*chorus, interlude twice*)**

Welcome

Call to Worship – Broken and Blessed

Come, all who are weary and broken, for the Lord is near to the brokenhearted.
We bring our shattered lives and fragile hearts, seeking the balm of Gilead.

Come, all who are blessed, for the Lord has given us life, community, and grace.
We bring our gratitude, offering our lives as a living sacrifice.

We are broken, yet we are blessed. We are in need, yet we are filled by the Bread of Life.
Let us worship God together— broken and blessed for a purpose.

+Gathering Song – “Hosanna (Praise Is Rising), Brenton Brown & Paul Baloche

1. Praise is rising

Eyes are turning to You

We turn to You

Hope is stirring

Hearts are yearning for You

We long for You

(Pre-Chorus) **'Cause when we see You**

We find strength to face the day

In Your presence

All our fears are washed away

Washed away

(Chorus) **Hosanna, hosanna**

You are the God who saves us

Worthy of all our praises

Hosanna, hosanna

Come have Your way among us

We welcome You here Lord Jesus

2. Hear the sound of

Hearts returning to You

We turn to You

In Your Kingdom

Broken lives are made new

You make us new *(pre-chorus, chorus)*

(Ending) **Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna**

Thanksgiving for Baptism

+Prayer of the Day

+Song of Lent – “Just As I Am (I Come Broken),” Charlotte Elliott, David Moffitt, Sue C. Smith, Travis Cottrell, William Batchelder Bradbury

**1. Just as I am without one plea
But that Thy blood was shed for me
And that Thou bidst me come to Thee
O Lamb of God I come I come**

(Chorus) **I come broken to be mended
I come wounded to be healed
I come desperate to be rescued
I come empty to be filled
I come guilty to be pardoned
By the blood of Christ the Lamb
And I'm welcomed with open arms praise God
Just as I am**

**2. Just as I am I would be lost
But mercy and grace my freedom bought
And now to glory in Your cross
O Lamb of God I come I come *(chorus)***

(Ending) **Just as I am**

WORD

1st Grade Milestone – The 10 Commandments

Reading – Exodus 17:1-7

Word of God, Word of life.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading – John 4:5-42

This is the Good News.
We praise you Lord Jesus.

KidTalk

Sermon

Song of the Day – “Holy Water,” Andrew Bergthold, Ed Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash, Scott Cash

**1. God I'm on my knees again
God I'm begging please again
I need You
Oh I need You
Walking down these desert roads
Water for my thirsty soul
I need You
Oh I need You**

(Chorus) **Your forgiveness
Is like sweet sweet honey on my lips
Like the sound of a symphony to my ears
Like holy water on my skin**

**2. Dead man walking slave to sin
I wanna know about being born again
I need You
Oh God I need You
So take me to the riverside
Take me under baptize
I need You
Oh God I need You oh *(chorus)***

(Bridge) **I don't wanna abuse Your grace
God I need it ev'ry day
It's the only thing that ever really
Makes me wanna change *(repeat, chorus twice)***

+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.

+Prayers of the People

MEAL

+Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Invitation to Offering

Offering Song – “This Is Our God,” Brandon Lake, Pat Barrett, Phil Wickham, Steven Furtick

1. Remember those walls that we called sin and shame

**They were like prisons that we couldn't escape
But He came and He died and He rose
Those walls are rubble now
Remember those giants we called death and grave
They were like mountains that stood in our way
But He came and He died and He rose
Those giants are dead now**

(Chorus) **This is our God this is who He is**

He loves us

This is our God this is what He does

He saves us

He bore the cross beat the grave

Let heaven and earth proclaim

This is our God King Jesus

2. Remember that fear that took our breath away

**Faith so weak that we could barely pray
But He heard every word every whisper
Now those altars in the wilderness
Tell the story of His faithfulness**

Never once did He fail and He never will (*chorus*)

(Bridge) **Who pulled me out of that pit**

He did He did

Who paid for all of our sin

Nobody but Jesus (*repeat*)

Who rescued me from that grave

Yahweh Yahweh

Who gets the glory and praise

Nobody but Jesus

Who rescued me from that grave

Yahweh Yahweh

Who gets the glory and praise

Nobody but Him (*chorus*)

(Ending) **He bore the cross beat the grave**

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+Offering Prayer

**O God, maker of heaven and earth,
your steadfast love embraces all creation.
Through these gifts of bread and wine,
draw us into the death and life of your Son,
who calls us to bear witness to his saving work.
We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen.**

+Holy Communion

+Setting the Table

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

+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.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

+Invitation to Communion

Communion Song – “Love Like This,” Lauren Daigle, Paul Mabury, Jason Ingram

1. When I am a wasteland
You are the water
When I am the winter
You are the fire
That burns

2. When I am a long night
You are the sunrise
When I am a desert
You are the river
That turns to find me

(Chorus 1) What have I done to deserve love like this
What have I done to deserve love like this

3. Your voice like a whisper
Breaking the silence
You say there's a treasure
You look 'til You find it
You search to find me

(Chorus 2) What have I done to deserve love like this
What have I done to deserve love like this
I cannot earn what You so freely give
What have I done to deserve love like this

(Bridge) Hosanna, Hosanna
Hosanna, Hosanna

(Final Chorus) What have I done to deserve love like this
What have I done to deserve love like this
I cannot earn what You so freely give
What have I done to deserve love like this

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Blessing

Announcements

+Sending Song – “Jesus Is Coming Back,” Jordan Feliz, Paul Duncan, Colby Wedgeworth

1. Have you ever thought
That the world has kinda lost its way
Crazy as it seems yeah
I know it's gonna be okay
It doesn't scare me it's temporary
There's something better we got forever
And it won't be long
'Cause we know our help is on the way

(Chorus) So keep your head up
Jesus is coming back Jesus is coming back
Don't you give up
Jesus is coming back Jesus is coming back
When the world gets complicated
We're gonna keep on celebrating
'Cause we know
Jesus is coming back Jesus is coming back

2. We gotta stay awake
'Cause nobody knows the day or time
The trumpet's gonna blow
And the skies are gonna open wide
He's coming for us just like He told us
It's been a long wait but there's a new day
And we're gonna sing hallelujah
When the King arrives *(chorus)*

(Bridge) Are you ready are you ready
People get ready people get ready
Are you ready are you ready

People get ready people get ready (*repeat 2x then chorus*)

+Sending

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. We will!

Worship Team

Preaching Minister: Pastor Tim Lemme

Presiding Minister: Pastor Michael Stadtmueller

Celebrate Band: Gene LeVasseur, Janell Mills, Nate Anderson, John Isaacson, Jane Ruud, Steve Kuper

Reader: Robert Thimjon

Media: O'Zareus Davis

Sound: Andy Steinhouse

Announcements 03/08/2026

Join us for worship on Wednesdays throughout Lent at Noon or 6:30pm. We will have a soup & bread lunch following the noon service, and for supper, from 5:00pm-6:15pm.

If you would like to purchase an Easter plant in memory or in honor of someone special in your life, please stop by the Welcome Center or Church Office to sign up. The cost is \$15, and your name and the person you are honoring will appear in the bulletins on Easter. The plants will be on display during our worship services on Easter Sunday and can be taken home after that. Orders are due by March 25th.

Join Pastor Michael in his next Bible Study, Broken & Blessed – Joseph, Egypt, Jesus as a Refugee. Mondays at 6pm (3/9) or Thursdays at 3pm (3/12).

Pastor Michael is hosting a forum on Sunday, March 8th, at 10am in the Gathering Place. He will provide a staffing update. The forum will be repeated on Saturday, March 14th, following the evening worship service.

On Sunday, March 8, Faith Community Nurse Lea Delay will be in her office to answer any questions that you may have from 9:30am to 11:00am. No appointment necessary.

Our next new member class will have two sessions, Sunday, April 19th and Sunday, April 26th, at 10:00am. Please call the church office to sign up!

1st Grade 10 Commandments Milestone is on Sunday, March 8th. There will be a class with parents from 10:00–10:50 AM and blessing during the Celebrate Service!

VBS Volunteer Kick-Off Meeting | Join us at 6:30 PM on March 23 if you love kids and Jesus! This meeting is open to anyone interested in helping with VBS, including behind-the-scenes roles.

OSL is excited to share that we are part of the Thrivent Choice® approved non-profit list. If you are a Thrivent Member, please consider directing your Thrivent Choice dollars to help and support OSL. All 2025 Thrivent Choice dollars expire March 31, 2026.

The OSL Community Library Annual Book Sale is Saturday, March 7th from 9am-5pm and Sunday, March 8th, from 9am-12:30pm.

The Lenten “Recent Loss Series” will be held March 4, 11, & 18 from 5pm-6pm in the Chapel. For those of you who have recently experienced the death of a loved one, this series helps you understand and work through the feelings of grief and loss. Sign up at the Church Office if you plan to attend. Contact Pr. Tim for more information.

All Sunday School parents are invited to a special meeting on Wednesday, March 11 from 5:15–6:15 PM. Join us for connection and conversation as we prepare for Palm Sunday. Late arrivals are welcome! Childcare is available in the nursery, and you’re welcome to bring soup from the Lenten supper.

Palm Sunday Donkey Update! We’ve found a donkey for Palm Sunday (March 29)! Now we’re looking for a livestock trailer to help transport our special guest to and from church. If you can help, please contact the church office or Madeline.

Join us on Sunday, March 15th at 10am in the Friendship room as we learn more about Charis Ministry Partner’s programs: Food to You and Necessities for Neighbors. This is a powerful outreach that reflects our care for our neighbors in our community.

Please join us in welcoming Pam Cole, Executive Director of Bread Break who will speak between services on March 22 at 10am in the Friendship Room. This event is sponsored by the Creation Care Team Ministry to discuss the important stewardship of our abundant food resources.

Thursday, March 26th, the OSL Library presents an evening with Tanner Castera at 7:00pm in the Celebrate Center, featuring his book: *Stig and the Rise of South Dakota State Football*. Mark Ovenden, sports broadcaster, will be moderating this book event with SDSU coach Stig & author Tanner Castera as we get to learn more about Coach Stig’s legacy and life!

Beyond the Books: A Literary Celebration is April 24–25, 2026. We have four authors lined up: Allen Eskens, Lorna Landvik, Stu Whitney, & Paul LaRoche. Tickets are on sale now!

Vacation Bible School registration is now open for kids and volunteers! Join us as we explore the *Nature of God*. VBS is open to current 3-year-olds (potty trained) through 5th grade. Middle and high school students are invited to sign up as guides. Contact Madeline for more information.

High School Youth Group now meets every Wednesday from 7:00–8:00 PM. On the last Wednesday of each month, we’ll meet at Culver’s. OSL provides ice cream; students may purchase additional food if they wish.