

# **Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church**

**Lent 2**

**Saturday, March 4, 2023 – 5:00 PM**

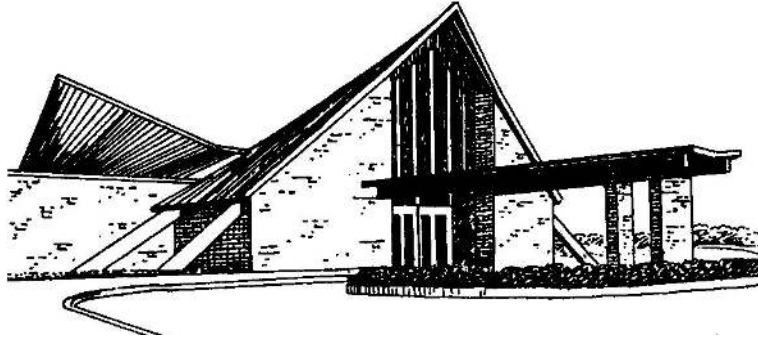
**Sunday, March 5, 2023 – 8:00 & 10:30 AM**

# Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP!

- **It is a joy to welcome our visitors!** Please sign the guest book in the Communication Center at the rear of the church, to the right as you exit, and take a Welcome Packet which is filled with information about Harrold Zion. Please introduce yourself to the pastor as you leave worship. We hope you return soon!
- **Children's bags** are available in the Narthex.
- **There is a prayer request book** on a podium in the Welcome Center. Please write name(s) in the book prior to the service to have names included in the prayers.
- **Large print bulletins** are available from any usher for those needing them.
- **Hearing devices** are available from any usher for those needing them.
- **An AED machine** can be found on the wall after the Ladies Room on the left.
- **Receiving Holy Communion** - We believe the body and blood of Christ to be present in the bread and wine. All who are baptized are invited to share in this meal. Please come forward at the usher's direction. Non-communing children may come forward for a blessing. If you desire communion in the pew, please inform one of the ushers so that you may receive communion there.

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The Welcome

The Prelude 5:00 PM *My Faith Looks Up To Thee*  
8:00 & 10:30 AM *Prelude on “Rhosymedre”*

Berry  
Smith

*Please stand, as able.*

The Confession and Forgiveness

P. In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C. Amen.**

P. 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. **C. Amen.**

*The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection.*

P. Most merciful God,

**C. we confess that we are captive 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.**

P. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his 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. **C. Amen.**

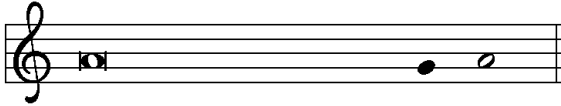
*Please stand, as able.*

The Penitential Hymn #324 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

The Apostolic Greeting

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C. And also with you.**

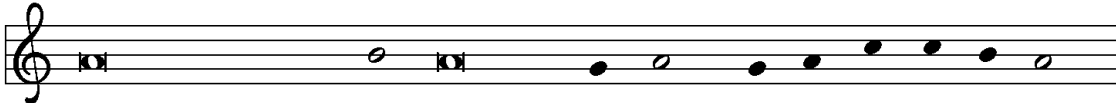
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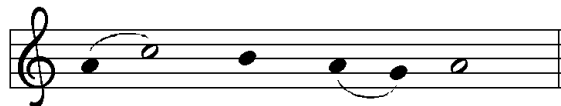
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



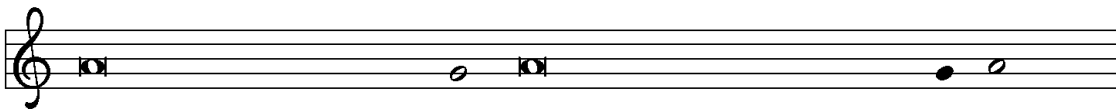
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



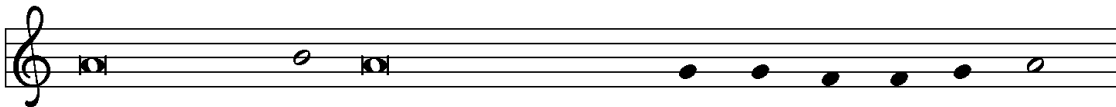
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



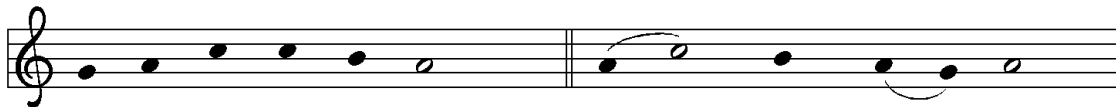
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



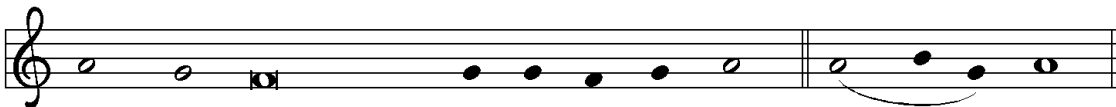
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

## The Prayer of the Day

P. Let us pray. 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. **C. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**(8:00 & 10:30 AM)** Jesus Jingers'

The First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

<sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

<sup>4a</sup>So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

The word of the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God.**

**(10:30 AM)** The Anthem *So Loved the World* Stainer

The Psalmody: Psalm 121

<sup>1</sup>I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?

<sup>2</sup>**My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth.**

<sup>3</sup>The LORD will not let your foot be moved

nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

<sup>4</sup>**Behold, the keeper of Israel will neither slumber nor sleep;**

<sup>5</sup>the LORD watches over you; the LORD is your shade at your right hand;

<sup>6</sup>**the sun will not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.**

<sup>7</sup>The LORD will preserve you from all evil and will keep your life.

<sup>8</sup>**The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forevermore.**

The Second Reading: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

<sup>1</sup>What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? <sup>2</sup>For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. <sup>3</sup>For what does the scripture say?

"Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness."

<sup>4</sup>Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. <sup>5</sup>But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

<sup>13</sup>For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

<sup>16</sup>For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. The word of the Lord.

### **C. Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand, as able.*

#### The Gospel Acclamation

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,  
slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

#### The Gospel: John 3:1-17

### **C. Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and

you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”<sup>9</sup> Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?”<sup>10</sup> Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

<sup>11</sup>“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **C. Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

The Sermon

*Please stand, as able.*

The Hymn of the Day #323 *God Loved the World*

The Apostle’s Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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**

The Prayers of the Faithful

**(10:30 AM)** The Prayer Response #616 *Jesus, Remember Me* (sing twice)

The Sharing of the Peace

## The Offering

8:00 & 10:30 AM *Andante Tranquillo*

Stickles

## The Offertory



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of



all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble



with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

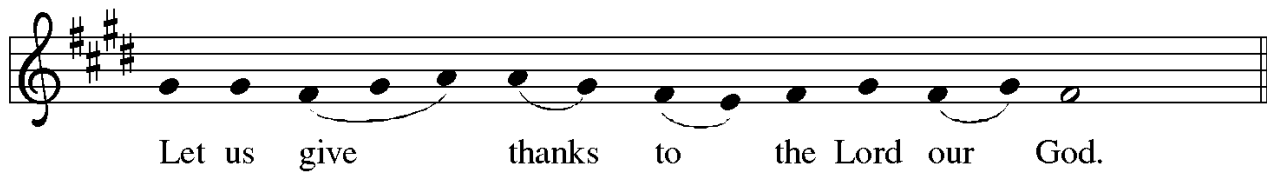
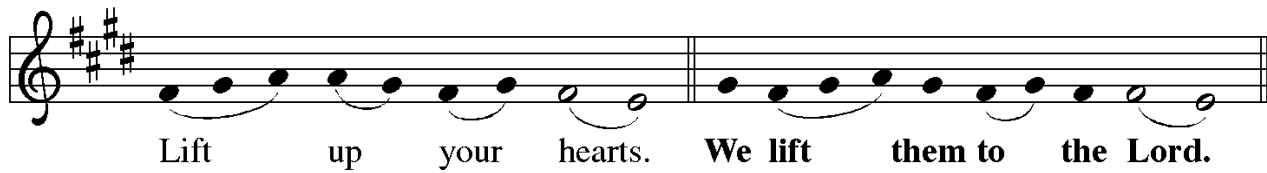
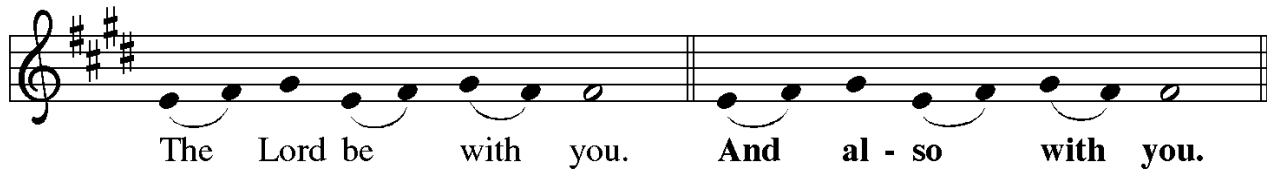
## The Offering Prayer

P. Let us pray. God of good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life. **C. Amen.**

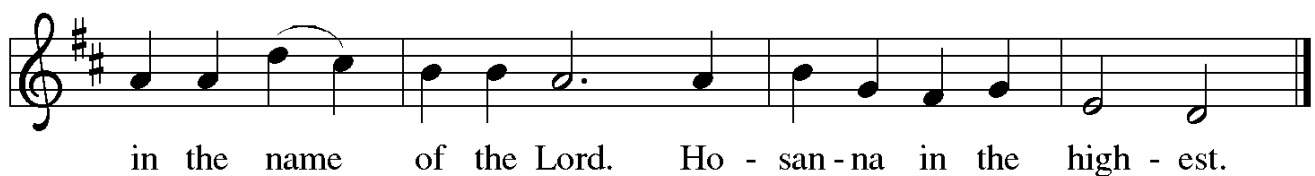
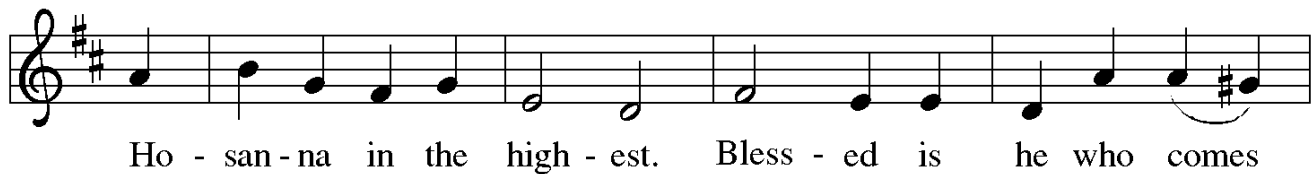
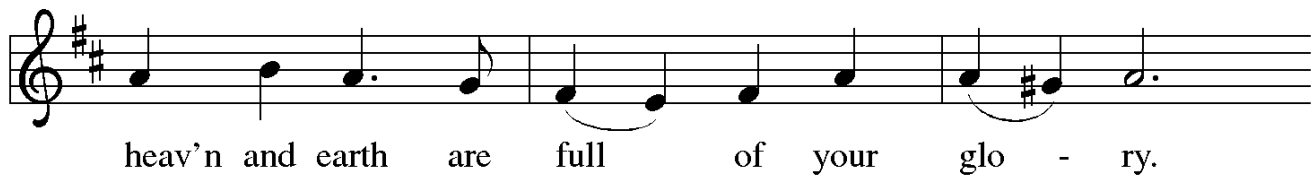
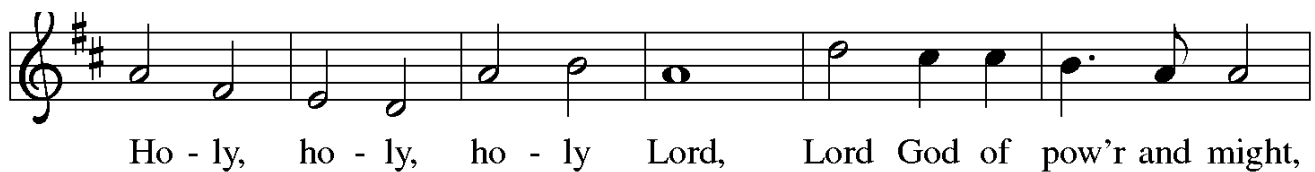




## The Great Thanksgiving



P. It is indeed right and salutary....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



## The Words of Institution

### The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

### The Communion Song



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

### The Communion Distribution

*Please come forward by the side aisle at the usher's direction and proceed up the ramp. You may take your place at the Altar as the people before you are dismissed from the Table. When you reach your place at the altar, please kneel. After receiving communion, and you are dismissed by the Pastor, proceed down the steps from the Altar and continue to your pew by the center aisle.*

**(8:00 & 10:30 AM)** Please join us in singing the following Communion Hymns: #597, 353, 335

## The Blessing and Prayer After Communion

P. Let us pray. Embodied God, at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love.

**C. Amen.**

## Sending of Home Communion

## The Benediction

## The Sending Song #660 *Lift High the Cross*

## The Meditation

## The Dismissal

P. Go in peace. Serve in love. **C. Thanks be to God.**

The Postlude 5:00 PM *Amazing Love*

Larson

8:00 & 10:30 AM *Postlude on a Theme*

Mendelssohn

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## Service Participants

Lectors: 8:00 AM Krissy Korona, 10:30 AM Ross Thompson

Acolytes: 8:00 AM Eli Bitner, 10:30 AM Hailey Uhrinek

Communion Asst: 8:00 AM Linda Boyer, Don Freeman

10:30 AM Mandy Kanouff, Lloyd Fait

Ushers: 8:00 AM Glen Nickodemus, Jen Koehl

10:30 AM Rachel Uhrinek, Paul Kanouff

Altar Guild: Nancy Basile

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Maurice and Carol Koehl by the Koehls.

**THE FLOWERS BY THE BAPTISMAL FONT** are dedicated to the glory of God and in celebration of our 52<sup>nd</sup> anniversary by Dan & Doris McAlister.

**THE ROSE ON THE ALTAR** is presented to the glory of God and in honor of Lori Farrell on her birthday by Mom & Dad.

**THE BULLETIN** is dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jerry & Sue Thomas by John & Mary Lou, and Rita & Curtis.

**THE ETERNAL CANDLE** is dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jerry & Sue Thomas by John & Mary Lou, and Rita & Curtis.

**WE WILL BE PASSING THE OFFERING PLATES** at the Sunday services. The Offering Plates for Saturday will be on stands at the front of the church. The offering can be placed in those plates when you come forward to receive communion.

**TODAY IS THE FINAL DAY TO ORDER EASTER FLOWERS!** A 6" Lily is \$13.50 and a 7" Potted Mum is \$14.50. Please complete an order envelope which can be found in the Communication Center. The completed envelope with payment can be placed in the offering plate.

**ARE YOU A MEMBER ON RECORD?** According to the Harrold Zion constitution, members should communion and contribute at least once per year. Please complete one communion card for 2023 if you have not already done so. Thank you for helping to maintain our records.

**ACOLYTE TRAINING** – If you have made your First Holy Communion, then we have a way for you to serve at Harrold Zion. We will be training new acolytes (children and adults) this Sunday, March 5, 12:00 to 1:00 PM in the Sanctuary.

**THIS WEEK....**

**OFFICE HOURS M-F 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

**SUNDAY – Lent 2**

Easter Flower orders due  
12:00 PM Acolyte Training

**MONDAY**

10:30 AM Quilting  
1:00 PM Quilting

**TUESDAY**

**WEDNESDAY**

5:30 PM Youth Choir  
6:00 PM Bell Choir  
6:45 PM Midweek Lenten service  
7:30 PM Adult Choir

**THURSDAY**

11:00 AM Synod luncheon  
7:00 PM Boy Scouts  
7:00 PM Council Meeting

**FRIDAY**

10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study

**SATURDAY – Lent 3**

8:00 AM Sanctuary Reserved  
8:00 AM Men's Breakfast  
4:30 PM Soup & Chili Cookoff

**SUNDAY – Lent 3**

9:15 AM Blood Drive  
11:45 AM Fellowship meeting

**HAVE YOU DESIGNATED YOUR 2023 THRIVENT ACTION TEAM GRANTS?** Thrivent members have two grants they can use each year for a fundraiser, service project, or educational event. Each grant is \$250. This is a great way to help the church and the community. If you would like to help defer some of the cost for a project, please call Tammy (724-837-7327).

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS SENT A PHOTO FOR THE DIRECTORY UPDATE!** The new directory will have cell phone numbers and email addresses. If your contact information has changed or you prefer not to have your cell and/or email address listed, please contact Tammy at 724-837-7327 or email her at [tammyhzlc@gmail.com](mailto:tammyhzlc@gmail.com). If you have not been able to send a photo for the directory, you are welcome to stop by during the week for Tammy to take your photo or there will be members of the Evangelism Committee available to take photos following all worship services March 19 & 26. All photos and information are due in the office no later than Sunday, March 26.

**THE MIDWEEK LENTEN SERIES** will be every Wednesday in Lent at 6:45 PM (March 1 – March 29). The service will be a Holden service which includes lovely music and a brief meditation about those who were at the cross with Jesus. This week, March 8, the meditation will be about the Roman Soldiers, Two Criminals and the Roman Centurion.

**LENT – A SEASON OF HOPE.** This Lent at Harrold Zion, we are putting God's love into action by making Lutheran World Relief personal care kits. We are encouraging our church family to help those suffering from the effects of war, violence, national disasters, disease and poverty. Each week we ask you to bring in specific items and place them in the corresponding bin in the Communication Center. Then, our high school and confirmation age students will assemble, pack and ship the kits. Requested items can be found in the newsletter. March 11/12 (week 3): Toothbrushes (adult size, any brand).

**CHILI & SOUP COOK-OFF AT HARROLD ZION** – next Saturday, March 11 at 4:30 PM. Individuals may bring in as many soups and/or chili crock pots, to be part of the competition, as they would like. The fellowship committee will provide bread/drinks/and dessert. We are asking for a free-will donation from anyone who would like to eat and vote on their favorite entries. All proceeds will benefit the church ministry and programs. All Soup/Chili crockpots are asked to be at the church around 4:00 PM. If you plan to enter the competition, please see the March newsletter and/or flyers located around the church for the competition rules. Please sign up in the Communication Center to enter a soup or chili. There is a separate sign up sheet for those who want to eat the yummy food and judge/vote for your favorite.

**GIVE BLOOD, SAVE LIVES.** We are hosting a blood drive next Sunday, March 12, from 9:15 AM to 2:00 PM. Please register online at [vitalant.com](http://vitalant.com) or sign up in the Communication Center.

**A NEW STUDY WILL BEGIN IN THE ADULT SUNDAY** school class next Sunday, March 12, at 9:15 AM. This study will be based on a book titled, “The Case for the Resurrection of Jesus” by Gary R. Habermas and Michael R. Licona. We will explore the evidence for Jesus’ resurrection and how to use this evidence in sharing your faith with confidence and conviction. The book is free for those who pre-register by March 5. You may sign-up for the class on the sign-up sheet found in the Communication Center or email Kelly Perry at [kirkilly0422@comcast.net](mailto:kirkilly0422@comcast.net). If you email, please list the names of all attendees, the number of books needed, and a phone number. We hope you will join us.

**JOIN THE PARENT’S BREAKFAST GROUP** at 9:15 AM Sunday, March 19 (note change in date). We meet in the Kitchen area and enjoy breakfast and a time of fellowship.

**READERS NEEDED FOR PALM PASSION WEEKEND** - If you would like to participate in the reading of the Passion please call or email Pastor Caroline. We are looking for readers for all three services the weekend of April 1 & 2. Rehearsal will be Sunday, March 26, at 11:45 AM.

**CANDY NEEDED** - We would appreciate any donations to stuff plastic eggs for the Egg Hunt on April 2. Please place donations in the bin marked “Egg Hunt” located in the Communication Center. Thank you!

**BIKE DRIVE** - Watch upcoming bulletins for information regarding a bike collection of new and used bikes. The bikes will be collected in conjunction with the Manor Presbyterian Church. The bikes will be hauled to a collection point in Aliquippa. They will be refurbished and sent to places in the US and Afghanistan.

**SUMMER CHURCH CAMP!** If you would like to register your child(ren) to attend a week at Camp Lutherlyn, please contact Rob Hepler at 724-446-2174. Rob, his family, and Harrold Zion have been long-time supporters of kids having the opportunity to go to camp. The church contributes 50% of the cost per child. Please visit [www.lutherlyn.com](http://www.lutherlyn.com) for more information.

**LESSONS FOR NEXT WEEKEND:** March 11 & 12

First lesson: Exodus 17:1-7

Psalmody: Psalm 95

Second Lesson: Romans 5:1-11

Gospel: John 4:5-42

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

- Easter Egg Hunt – April 2, 12:00 Noon
- Palm Sunday Breakfast – April 2, 8:15-10:00 AM
- Maundy Thursday Worship – April 6, 7:00 PM
- Good Friday Worship – April 7, 7:00 PM
- No worship Saturday, April 8.
- Easter Morning Worship – April 9, 7:00 AM, 8:45 AM, 10:30 AM
- Spring VBS – April 29, 1:00 PM
- Summer VBS – June 12-16

**ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP:**

Altar Flowers – March 19, 25 (1 vase)

Bulletin – March 12, 19, 26; Eternal candle – March 12, 26

*Reminder: Rose = \$5, Bulletin = \$10, Candle = \$5, Altar Flowers = \$25/vase*

***To sponsor items, please sign up in the Communication Center.***

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*To Worship and Serve God,  
Grow Disciples and Love our Neighbors*