



## FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

February 21, 2021

**AS WE GATHER:** *Rolling Stones* - Drawing on the rich imagery of rocks and stones in Scripture, this Lenten sermon series centers around the compelling metaphor of stones. These metaphors illustrate God's will for our lives and our failure to trust, follow and obey Him in all things. These stones show us our sins and our need for a Savior, Jesus, the Rock of our Salvation. Join us this Lenten season as we journey to the Cross of Christ and the forgiveness that He won for us. This series begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17, and continues Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings during Lent.

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME

### OPENING HYMN #435

*"Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain"*

- 1      Come to Calv'ry's holy mountain,  
         Sinners, ruined by the fall;  
         Here a pure and healing fountain  
         Flows for you, for me, for all,  
         In a full, perpetual tide,  
         Opened when our Savior died.
  
- 2      Come in poverty and meanness,  
         Come defiled, without, within;  
         From infection and uncleanness,  
         From the leprosy of sin,  
         Wash your robes and make them white;  
         Ye shall walk with God in light.
  
- 3      Come in sorrow and contrition,  
         Wounded, impotent, and blind;  
         Here the guilty, free remission,  
         Here the troubled, peace may find.  
         Health this fountain will restore;  
         They that drink shall thirst no more.

4        They that drink shall live forever;  
             'Tis a soul-renewing flood.  
             God is faithful; God will never  
             Break His covenant of blood,  
             Signed when our Redeemer died,  
             Sealed when He was glorified.

#### INVOCATION

Pastor:        In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People:        Amen.

REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM of Josephine Joy Kuester    (8:00AM)

LORD'S PRAYER (8:00AM only)

All:            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.

#### CONFESSION

Pastor:        Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

People:        We confess to you, Merciful Father,  
                  That we have broken Your commandments.

Pastor:        We confess to you, Jesus, our Savior,  
People:        That we have not loved the Lord with all our heart, soul and mind.

Pastor:        We confess to you, Spirit Comforter,  
People:        That we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

Pastor:        O Lord,  
People:        Have mercy.

Pastor:        O Christ,  
People:        Have mercy.

Pastor:        O Lord,  
People:        Have mercy. Amen.

(Time for silent reflection and confession)

## **ABSOLUTION**

**Pastor:** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

## **KYRIE ELEISON (Lord Have Mercy)**

**Refrain:** Kyrie Eleison on our world and on our way.  
Kyrie Eleison ev'ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the Church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord! Let us pray to the Lord! Refrain...

That we may live out Your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord! Let us pray to the Lord! Refrain...

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord! Let us pray to the Lord! Refrain...

For Your spirit to guide, that You center our lives in the water and the word; that You nourish our souls with Your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord! Let us pray to the Lord!  
Refrain ...

## **SALUTATION**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.  
**People:** And also with you.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**Pastor:** O God, You have commanded us to love You above all things and our neighbors as ourselves. Grant us the Spirit to think and do what is pleasing in Your sight, that our faith in You may never waver and our love for one another may not falter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** Amen.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** "The Greatest Commandment" Miss Heidi

*And God spoke all these words, saying,*

*<sup>2</sup>“I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.*

*<sup>3</sup>“You shall have no other gods before me.*

*<sup>4</sup>“You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.*

*<sup>7</sup>“You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.*

*<sup>8</sup>“Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, <sup>10</sup>but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.*

*<sup>12</sup>“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.*

*<sup>13</sup>“You shall not murder.*

*<sup>14</sup>“You shall not commit adultery.*

*<sup>15</sup>“You shall not steal.*

*<sup>16</sup>“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.*

*<sup>17</sup>“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.”*

**Lector:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand)**      *“Return to the Lord”*



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, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

**HOLY GOSPEL**

Matthew 22:34-40

**Pastor:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

**People:** Glory to You, O Lord.

*<sup>34</sup> But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. <sup>35</sup> And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. <sup>36</sup> “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” <sup>37</sup> And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. <sup>38</sup> This is the great and first commandment. <sup>39</sup> And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. <sup>40</sup> On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”*

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise to You, O Christ.

**SERMON**

**“Rolling Stones: Failure”**  
Pastor Seth Flick

**HYMN OF THE DAY (Please stand)**

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*“Rock of Ages”*

1      Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood,  
From Thy riven side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure:  
Cleanse me from its guilt and pow’r.

- 2 Not the labors of my hands  
Can fulfill Thy Law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know,  
Could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone;  
Thou must save, and Thou alone.
- 3 Nothing in my hand I bring;  
Simply to Thy cross I cling.  
Naked, come to Thee for dress;  
Helpless, look to Thee for grace;  
Foul, I to the fountain fly;  
Wash me, Savior, or I die.
- 4 While I draw this fleeting breath,  
When mine eyelids close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown,  
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee.

#### **APOSTLES' CREED (10:30AM only)**

**All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mid-Week Lenten Worship Services continue with our sermon theme of "ROLLING STONES". Join us every Wednesday at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary or watch the live stream from your home.

**ORDER EASTER FLOWERS TODAY!** to help beautify the Easter Worship Services. Deadline to order is February 28. Order forms are at the Welcome Centers or online at [drlc.org/events](http://drlc.org/events)

At this time we would like to thank you for all your support of our mission to preach the Gospel here in our church and school.

You can continue to support this mission by placing your offerings in the acrylic box on the way in or on the way out of service or by giving through our DRLC app or by going to DRLC.org.

Lent is also a time where Christians around the world sometimes "give up" certain things in remembrance of Christ's sacrifice. In this Lenten season, we would like to offer opportunities for us as followers of Jesus to "give UP" our gifts in order to support mission and bring Christ's kingdom to those in our community and around the world.

To do this, throughout the month of February, we are continuing to collect t-shirts and adult socks for clients of the Milwaukee Center for Independence to support mission work here in our community.

To support the global mission, we are in partnership with Mission Haiti collecting monies to buy shoes for children in Haiti. Our goal is to raise enough money to purchase 350 pairs of shoes. Shoes in Haiti cost \$25 a pair and not only do they protect the feet of these students, but they also allow these students the ability to attend school as shoes are a requirement in order to attend school. With many families not being able to afford a pair of shoes for their children this is how we can help ensure these students can go to school and learn about Jesus! Donations can be given in the "Mission Haiti" box outside the gym or online through DRLC.org.

We have many opportunities to serve and support God's mission but this is all rooted out of the joy that we have because Christ has loved us. Let's use this time to reflect on all the blessings in our lives because of Jesus.

CCB Launch (Sound tech: please provide a handheld mic for Stephanie cutler)

#### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**Pastor:** Friends in Christ, I urge you to lift up your souls to our God in whom we trust, as Christ, our Lord, promises to hear us. Lord Jesus, You are the Lord of the Church.

**People:** **Bless the work of our congregation and all who bear Your name.**

**Pastor:** Remember Your mercy, O LORD,

**People:** **And Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

**Pastor:** Lord Jesus, the government is on Your shoulders.  
**People:** Watch over all in this world. Guide the world's leaders with Your wisdom, as well as our elected officials—our president, our governor, and our local authorities—that we may live peaceful and quiet lives.

**Pastor:** Lord Jesus, You are our Teacher.  
**People:** Make us to know Your ways, O LORD; teach us Your paths. Lead us in Your truth and teach us, for You are the God of our salvation; for You we wait all the day long.

**Pastor:** Lord Jesus, You are the God of our salvation.  
**People:** Guide us, Lord, in living lives that bear witness to Your truth. Lead us to connect with those who are wandering or who do not know You.

**Pastor:** Lord Jesus, You are the Great Physician.  
**People:** Bind up the brokenhearted, give sight to the blind, make the lame to walk and the deaf to hear.

**Pastor:** We name before You those who are struggling in body, mind, and spirit and ask You to heal them. Remember Your mercy, O LORD,  
**People:** And Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

**Pastor:** Into Your hands, Lord Jesus, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your great mercy to hear and answer us.  
**People:** Amen.

#### **LORD'S PRAYER (10:30AM only)**

**All:** 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.

#### **BENEDICTION**

**Pastor:** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious

to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you  
peace.

People: Amen.

### CLOSING HYMN

#555, vs. 1,2,5,6,10      *“Salvation Unto Us Has Come”*

- 1      Salvation unto us has come  
        By God’s free grace and favor;  
        Good works cannot avert our doom,  
        They help and save us never.  
        Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone,  
        Who did for all the world atone;  
        He is our one Redeemer.
  
- 2      What God did in His Law demand  
        And none to Him could render  
        Caused wrath and woe on ev’ry hand  
        For man, the vile offender.  
        Our flesh has not those pure desires  
        The spirit of the Law requires,  
        And lost is our condition.
  
- 5      Yet as the Law must be fulfilled  
        Or we must die despairing,  
        Christ came and has God’s anger stilled,  
        Our human nature sharing.  
        He has for us the Law obeyed  
        And thus the Father’s vengeance stayed  
        Which over us impended.
  
- 6      Since Christ has full atonement made  
        And brought to us salvation,  
        Each Christian therefore may be glad  
        And build on this foundation.  
        Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead,  
        Your death is now my life indeed,  
        For You have paid my ransom.
  
- 10     All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise  
        To Father, Son, and Spirit,  
        The God who saved us by His grace;  
        All glory to His merit.  
        O triune God in heav’n above,  
        You have revealed Your saving love;  
        Your blessed name we hallow.

**Lay Readers:**

8:00AM: John Uttech

10:30AM: Brad Baker

**Acolytes:**

8:00AM: Greta Delcore & Logan Neitzel

10:30AM: Sarah Stippich & Cody Guetzke

**Sound:**

8:00AM: Todd Radke

10:30AM: Amelia Sitzberger

**Elders:**

8:00AM: Mike Johnson

10:30AM: Brad Baker