

# OLSBURG/WALSBURG LUTHERAN CHURCHES

First Sunday in Lent  
*Sunday, March 9, 2025*

*Jesus was  
led by the  
Spirit in the  
wilderness*

LUKE 4:1



Olsburg Lutheran Church  
PO Box 128  
Olsburg, KS 66520  
Worship 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Mission Statement:  
Become Disciples,  
Live as Disciples,  
Make Disciples in Christ Jesus

Walsburg Lutheran Church  
12351 Union Road  
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Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
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Mission Statement:  
More disciples living more faithfully by the  
power of the Holy Spirit.

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(the latest newsletter is posted here)

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**Olsburg Usher and Receive offering:** Lee Cantrell; April Brenner; Jarin Brenner

**Olsburg Communion Assistants:** 3/16 Jan Cooper; 3/30 Jim Nelson

**\*Olsburg Acolytes:** 3/9 Ushers; 3/16 Ushers; 3/23 Ushers; 3/30 Ushers

**\*Olsburg Lay Readers:** 3/9 Patty Nelson; 3/16 Ashley Rice; 3/23 Becky Avery; 3/30 Nick Cooper

**Walsburg Ushers and Greeters:** Lee & Roberta Hartford; Lynne Berry; Lori Rogge

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YOU ARE WELCOME AMONG US! Whether this is your first time worshiping with us or whether you have worshiped with us many times, we are grateful that we can worship together. We pray that God will bless your worship and strengthen you for the week ahead.

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

### **GATHERING**

#### **\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God's abiding love.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Compassionate One,

**C: you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world. We do not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free again and again. We squander the abundant gifts of the earth. Transform our lives and guide us again in the way of the cross. Amen.**

P: Beloved in Christ, God's arms are always stretched open wide to welcome the wandering ones home. In † Christ your sins are forgiven. You have a place in God's house forever.

**C: Amen.**

**\*GATHERING SONG      What a fellowship, What a Joy Divine   ELW 774**

# What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

## *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*



1 What a fel - low-ship, what a joy di - vine, lean - ing on the ev - er -  
2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, lean - ing on the ev - er -  
3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean - ing on the ev - er -



last - ing arms; what a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine,  
last - ing arms; oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,  
last - ing arms? I have bless - ed peace with my Lord so near,



lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.  
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.  
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

### *Refrain*



Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se - cure from all a - larms;



lean - ing, lean - ing, lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

Text: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1839–1929

Music: SHOWALTER, Anthony J. Showalter, 1858–1924

## **\*GREETING**

P: The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

C: And also with you!

## \*KYRIE



Ⓐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:    Ⓢ Lord, have mer - cy.  
*Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:*



Ⓐ Chri - ste e - le - i - son:    Ⓢ Christ, have mer - cy.  
*Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:*



Ⓐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:    Ⓢ Lord, have mer - cy.  
*Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:*

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Tender God,

**C: you emptied yourself of power in order to take on flesh in Jesus Christ. Open us to embrace our own vulnerability, so that we may discover how your strength is made perfect in weakness. Amen.**

## WORD

### FIRST READING: DEUTERONOMY 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our

affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.” You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C:Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM: 91:1-2, 9-16**

You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High,  
**who abide in the shadow of the Almighty—**

you will say to the Lord, “My refuge and my stronghold,  
**my God in whom I put my trust.”**

Because you have made the Lord your refuge,  
**and the Most High your habitation,**

no evil will befall you,  
**nor shall affliction come near your dwelling.**

For God will give the angels charge over you,  
**to guard you in all your ways.**

Upon their hands they will bear you up,  
**lest you strike your foot against a stone.**

You will tread upon the lion cub and viper;  
**you will trample down the lion and the serpent.**

I will deliver those who cling to me;  
**I will uphold them, because they know my name.**

They will call me, and I will answer them;  
**I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and honor them.**

With long life will I satisfy them,  
**and show them my salvation.**

## SECOND READING: ROMANS 10:8B-13

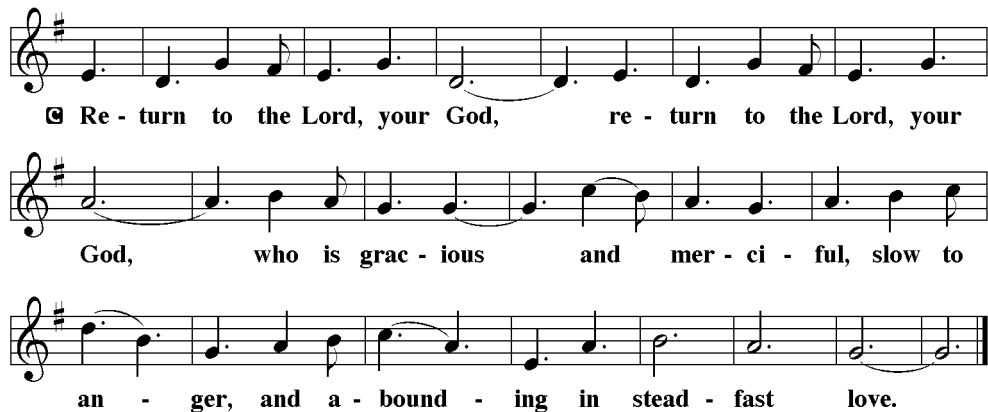
“The word is near you,  
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



### \*GOSPEL

P: The holy gospel according to Luke 4:1-13

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

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.” Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone.’”

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written,

‘Worship the Lord your God,  
and serve only him.’”

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written,

‘He will command his angels concerning you,  
to protect you,’

and

‘On their hands they will bear you up,  
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

Jesus answered him, "It is said, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

P: The Gospel of our God

**C: Praise to you O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

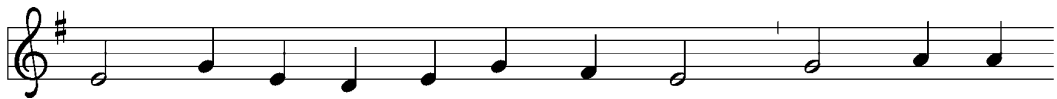
**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

**The Glory of these Forty Days**

**ELW 320**



## The Glory of These Forty Days



1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we cel - e -  
 2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the lov - ing  
 3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de - liv - ered  
 4 Then grant, O God, that we may, too, re - turn in



brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all  
 God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,  
 from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride - groom's  
 fast and prayer to you. Our spir - its strength - en



things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.  
 fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.  
 friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.  
 with your grace, and give us joy to see your face.

Text: Latin hymn, 11th cent.; tr. Maurice F. Bell, 1862–1947, alt.

Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

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### \*APOSTLES' CREED

P: United as the body of Christ, let us profess our faith:

**C: 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**

**P:** Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world,  
and all those in need.

**P:** God of Grace,

**C:** Hear our prayer.

**P:** Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your  
love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.

**C:** Amen.

## **OUR OFFERING**

### **\*OFFERING SONG**

**Let The Vineyards**

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 now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
 Lord, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

### **\*OFFERING PRAYER**

P: God of grace,

**C: you gave us what we needed to love you today. Now we offer you a portion of these gifts, a harvest of the love you planted. Amen.**

### **\*LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.

## **SENDING**

### **\*BLESSING**

P: Now may God, who risks loving an imperfect people, who forges  
weakness into divine strength, who never leaves us or forsakes us, bless  
you and sustain you.

**C: Threefold Amen (sung.)**


### **\*SENDING SONG**

**A Shelter in a Time of Storm**


# A Shelter in the Time of Storm

Vernon J. Charlesworth, circa 1880

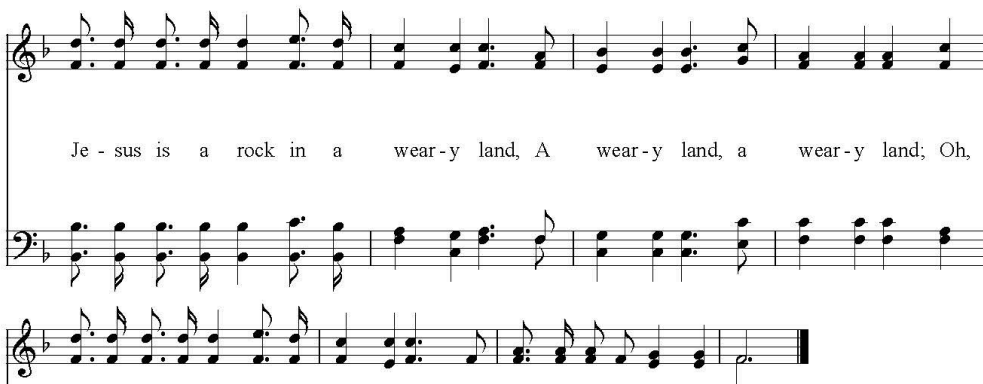
Ira David Sankey



1. The Lord's our rock, in Him we hide, A shel-ter in the time of storm; Se-  
 2. A shade by day, de - fense by night, A shel-ter in the time of storm; No  
 3. The rag - ing storms may round us beat, A shel-ter in the time of storm We'll  
 4. O rock di - vine, O re - fuge dear, A shel-ter in the time of storm; Be



*Refrain*  
 - cure what - ev - er ill be - tide, A shel - ter in the time of storm.  
 fears a - larm, no foes a - fright, A shel - ter in the time of storm. Oh,  
 ne - ver leave our safe re - treat, A shel - ter in the time of storm.  
 Thou our help - er ev - er near, A shel - ter in the time of storm.



Je - sus is a rock in a wear-y land, A wear-y land, a wear-y land; Oh,



Je - sus is a rock in a wear-y land, A shel-ter in the time of storm.

## **\*DISMISSAL**

P: In the name of Christ, our new beginning, go in peace.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

## **POSTLUDE**

### **Bulletin Announcements for both churches**

We continue to live-stream the worship services for those who are worshipping at home.

For in-home worship it is helpful to prepare a space for worship ahead of time. Remove distractions. Turn off the TV. Silence your cell phones. Provide worship bulletins for everyone (sharing is always good!). Make sure everyone can see the screen(s). Turn to your church's Facebook page to participate in the service of worship. A recording of the service is also available on each church's website.

### **Lenten Wednesday evening schedule:**

Soup Supper and worship at Olsburg March 12 @ 6 p.m.

Soup Supper and worship at Walsburg March 19 @ 6p.m.

Soup Supper and worship at Olsburg March 26 @ 6 p.m.

Soup Supper and worship at Walsburg April 2 @ 6 p.m.

Soup Supper and worship at Olsburg April 9 @ 6 p.m.

Maundy Thursday April 17 at Walsburg @ 7 p.m.

Good Friday April 18 at Olsburg @ 7 p.m.

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## Olsburg Announcements

All are invited to join us for our first Lenten Wednesday night Soup Supper and Worship Service, *Wednesday, March 12th* at Olsburg Lutheran Church. Soup will be served beginning at 6:00 p.m. Worship begins at 7:00 p.m. We hope you are able to join us!

There are sign up sheets in the narthex for the 3 Soup Suppers that Olsburg is hosting this Lenten season. We appreciate your willingness to help out!

Olsburg Lutheran Church has a new facebook page. Please search for Olsburg Lutheran Church-ELCA and follow the page.. We will begin posting our recordings to the new page as soon as we have 100 followers.

There are two jello molds and a couple of glass baking pans in the church's kitchen. So, if you are missing these items after the Swedish Supper, please be sure to pick them up.

You are all invited to a wedding shower for Oksana Henriksen and Jacob Nelson immediately after church on ***Sunday, March 16***, in the church basement. Oksana and Jacob will be married on May 10; and as their church family, we want to shower them with our love and care in support of their upcoming marriage. Light refreshments will be served.

If you would like to bring a gift, Oksana and Jacob are registered at Target and Amazon. To access the registry at Target, go to the customer service desk at Target in Manhattan, Kansas and ask for Oksana Henriksen and Jacob Nelson's registry. Their registry is also available by visiting the Target website (select Manhattan, KS as your store's location), and then click on the Registry & Wish List at the top of the page.

To access Amazon's registry, visit the Amazon website, click on Registry found in the black banner across the top of the page or search for Wedding Registry.

The next step will be to follow the instructions given on the page, and you should be able to access their registry

During Lent we will be collecting items for Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits. The congregation is invited to bring items from the list below and

leave them in the box in the narthex. The Personal Care Kits will be taken to the Lutheran World Relief ingathering in the fall. Thank you for making a difference in the life of someone in need.

Each kit will need:

- 2 bath size bars of soap
- 1 adult size toothbrush
- 1 light weight bath towel (dark colors preferred)
- 1 metal nail clippers
- 1 sturdy comb

## **Walsburg Announcements**

All are invited to join us for our first Lenten Wednesday night Soup Supper and Worship Service, *Wednesday, March 12th* at Olsburg Lutheran Church. Soup will be served beginning at 6:00 p.m. Worship begins at 7:00 p.m. We hope you are able to join us!

WELCA will meet Thursday, March 13. Quilting from 10:00 A.M. to Noon. WELCA meeting begins at 1:30 P.M. Program will be "Observe World Day of Prayer". Leader is Jane Larson. Hostess is Rhonda Baer.

Food (Easter) Basket Shopping List. For April Easter baskets: boxed scalloped/AuGratin potatoes, Hamburger Helper, baked beans, fruit cocktail, Mandarin oranges, jello, White cake mix and frosting. Additional needs: chili beans, pork-n-beans, spaghetti sauce, saltine crackers, pancake mix and syrup, grape or strawberry jelly, applesauce, canned peaches and pineapple, cereal and oatmeal packets. Household products: laundry detergent, dish soap and toilet paper. We are now seeing 20-25 families each week. Your continued support by food or funds is greatly appreciated! Rhonda Baer, Board Representative