

The First Sunday in Lent
March 6, 2022
10:30 a.m.

As We Gather

Lent is the whole of our Christian lives in summary. Our lives in Christ are a journey from the wilderness of sin into the promised land of God's mercy and from slavery into freedom through forgiveness. Remembering how God delivered the children of Israel, we are pointed to Christ, our Savior, through whom we are delivered from the tyranny of sin, strengthened in the face of temptation, and equipped to do the good works we were created to do. Remembering our Baptism into Christ, we daily repent of our sin and rejoice in His forgiveness. Though we often do not see the progress, God is ever guiding us through daily repentance and the Means of Grace until we are brought to everlasting life.

Yes And Amen by Chris McClarney, Nate Moore, and Tony Brown

Father of kindness You have poured out grace
You brought me out of darkness
You have filled me with peace
Giver of mercy You're my help in time of need
Lord I can't help but sing

Chorus
Faithful You are
Faithful forever You will be
Faithful You are
All Your promises are Yes and Amen
All Your promises are Yes and Amen

Beautiful Savior You have brought me near
You pulled me from the ashes
You have broken ev'ry curse
Blessed Redeemer You have set this captive free
Lord I can't help but sing

Chorus
Faithful You are
Faithful forever You will be
Faithful You are yes You are
All Your promises are Yes and Amen

Bridge
I will rest in Your promises
My confidence is Your faithfulness
(REPEAT) Chorus

Welcome

Invocation

Opening Sentences *Psalm 91, selected verses*

Pastor: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

People: I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

Pastor: Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—the Most High, who is my refuge—

People: no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent.

Pastor: For He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

People: On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.

Pastor: You will tread on the lion and the adder; the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

People: I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

Battle Belongs by Brian Johnson and Phil Wickham

When all I see is the battle
You see my victory
When all I see is a mountain
You see a mountain moved
And as I walk through the shadow
Your love surrounds me
There's nothing to fear now
For I am safe with You

Chorus
So when I fight I'll fight on my knees
With my hands lifted high
O God the battle belongs to You
And every fear I lay at Your feet
I'll sing through the night
O God the battle belongs to You

And if You are for me
Who can be against me
For Jesus there's nothing
Impossible for You
When all I see are the ashes
You see the beauty
When all I see is a cross
God You see the empty tomb Chorus

Bridge (Repeat)
Almighty Fortress You go before us
Nothing can stand against
The power of our God
You shine in the shadows
You win every battle
Nothing can stand against
The power of our God Chorus

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Return to the LORD, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,
People: slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

Pastor: Confident in His steadfast love, let us confess our sins to the Lord our God.
Silence for reflection and confession

Pastor: O Lord, our gracious and merciful Father,
People: we confess our unworthiness to be in Your presence. Our sins of thought, word, and deed leave us hopeless without Your saving work in our lives. Hear us as we call out for mercy and grace. Save us by the power of Your name. Help us find our refuge in the cross of Your only Son. By Your steadfast love, draw us to Jesus that we worship You with cleansed minds and hearts. In His saving name, we pray. Amen.

Words of Forgiveness

The Wonderful Cross ***Won by One***

Old Testament *Deuteronomy 26:1–11*

1 "When you come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you
for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, 2 you
shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you
harvest from your land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you
shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the LORD
your God will choose, to make his name to dwell there. 3 And you shall
go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, 'I declare
today to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the
LORD swore to our fathers to give us.' 4 Then the priest shall take the
basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the LORD
your God.

5 "And you shall make response before the LORD your God, 'A
wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and
sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great,
mighty, and populous. 6 And the Egyptians treated us harshly and
humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. 7 Then we cried to the LORD,
the God of our fathers, and the LORD heard our voice and saw our
affliction, our toil, and our oppression. 8 And the LORD brought us out of
Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds
of terror, with signs and wonders. 9 And he brought us into this place
and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. 10 And
behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O
LORD, have given me.' And you shall set it down before the LORD your
God and worship before the LORD your God. 11 And you shall rejoice in
all the good that the LORD your God has given to you and to your
house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you."

Epistle *Romans 10:8b–13*

"The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the
word of faith that we proclaim); 9 because, if you confess with your
mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him
from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For with the heart one believes and
is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. 11 For the
Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to
shame." 12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the
same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him.
13 For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

What A Beautiful Name by Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

Chorus
What a beautiful Name it is What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now

Chorus 2
What a wonderful Name it is What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Bridge
Death could not hold You The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory For You are raised to life again

Bridge
You have no rival You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names

Chorus 3
What a powerful Name it is What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Ending
What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus
What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus

Holy Gospel *Luke 4:1–13*

[1]Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led
by the Spirit in the wilderness [2]for forty days, being tempted by the
devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were
ended, he was hungry. [3]The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of
God, command this stone to become bread." [4]And Jesus answered
him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'" [5]And the devil
took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a
moment of time, [6]and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority
and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I
will. [7]If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." [8]And Jesus
answered him, "It is written,

> "'You shall worship the Lord your God,
> and him only shall you serve.'"

[9]And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the
temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself
down from here, [10]for it is written,

> "'He will command his angels concerning you,
> to guard you,'

[11]and

> "'On their hands they will bear you up,
> lest you strike your foot against a stone.'"

[12]And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your
God to the test.'" [13]And when the devil had ended every temptation,
he departed from him until an opportune time.

The Apostles' Creed

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.

In Christ Alone by Keith Getty, Stuart Townend, Kristian Stanfill

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand Interlude

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ Interlude

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand Interlude

I find my strength, I find my hope,
I find my help in Christ alone.
When fear assails, when darkness falls,
I find my peace in Christ alone.
I give my life, I give my all,
I sing my song to Christ alone.
The King of Kings, the Lord of All,
All heaven sings to Christ alone.
To Christ alone. In Christ alone.

'Til He returns or calls me home here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand,
Here in the pow'r of Christ we stand

Sermon

Believe For It by CeCe Winans, Dwan Hill, Kyle Lee, Mitch Wong

They say this mountain can't be moved
They say these chains will never break
But they don't know You like we do
There is power in Your name

We've heard that there is no way through
We've heard the tide will never change
They haven't seen what You can do
There is power in Your name
So much power in Your name

Chorus
Move the immovable Break the unbreakable
God we believe God we believe for it
From the impossible We'll see a miracle
God we believe God we believe for it

We know that hope is never lost
Oh for there is still an empty grave
God we believe no matter what
There is power in Your name
So much power in Your name Chorus

Bridge
You are the way when there seems to be no way
We trust in You God You have the final say
You are the way when there seems to be no way
We trust in You God You have the final say
You are the way when there seems to be no way
We trust in You God You have the final say Chorus (twice)

We Lift Our Hearts in Prayer

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy:
People: Hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer

The Blessing

There's Nothing That Our God Can't Do

by Brandon Lake, Jonathan Smith, Kristian Stanfill

Just one word You calm the storm that surrounds me
Just one word The darkness has to retreat
Just one touch I feel the presence of heaven
Just one touch My eyes were opened to see
My heart can't help but believe

Chorus 1
There's nothing that our God can't do
There's not a mountain that He can't move
Oh praise the name that makes a way
There's nothing that our God can't do

Just one word You heal what's broken inside me
Just one word And you revive ev'ry dream
Just one touch I feel the power of heaven
Just one touch My eyes were opened to see
My heart can't help but believe

Chorus 2
There's nothing that our God can't do
There's not a mountain that He can't move
Oh praise the name that makes a way
There's nothing that our God can't do

There's nothing that our God can't do
There's not a prison wall He can't break through
Oh praise the name that makes a way
There's nothing that our God can't do

Bridge
I will believe for greater things
There's no power like the power of Jesus
Let faith arise let all agree
There's no power like the power of Jesus

Bridge
I will believe for greater things
There's no power like the power of Jesus
Let faith arise let all agree
There's no power like His power Chorus 2

Ending
Oh sing oh oh oh There's nothing there's nothing
There's nothing there's nothing
Oh oh oh (There's nothing that our God can't do)

Worship Leaders:	Pastor Chris A. Spelbring, Proclaiming Pastor
Scripture Reader:	Seminarian Wesley Johnson
Elder on Duty:	Bill Keel
Vocals and Band:	Vocals—Paige Esser, Ashley Shalenko, Mark Wehmeyer; Guitar—Mark Wehmeyer, acoustic; Jake Meyer, electric; Bass Guitar—Bill Heizer; Drums—Chris Baron; Keyboard—Dawn Tayon
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Hearing Impaired

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Communion

Those baptized and confirmed Christians who share our Lutheran confession of faith are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper with us. Since the Lord's Supper is a testimony of our unity in faith and love, those Christians of a different confession of faith who desire to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with a Pastor before worship. All are welcome to come to the altar and receive a blessing. The desire to receive a blessing can be indicated by crossing arms over the chest and keeping hands folded. For further discussion and a guide to self-examination before communion, see the Holy Communion Guide in the pew pocket.

Communion in the Pew

Please notify an usher if you would like to be served communion in the pew.

Care Needed During Worship

Should you or anyone with you today experience a health-related problem, look for someone wearing a yellow lanyard/nametag (seated on the center aisle left side as you exit sanctuary). They have specialized training to assist you.

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Children are welcome in worship here at Zion but if a little one (or their parent) needs a short break, the church lobby is available for walking and comforting. The nursery is located to the left as you exit the sanctuary if you should need a quiet space. Diaper changing stations are located in the handicapped stalls of the restrooms.