

2nd Sunday in Lent

February 28, 2021

God promises to make Abraham and Sarah the ancestors of nations. Though Abraham and Sarah are far too old to bear children, they trust that God will accomplish what God has promised. Their trust catalyzes their transformation as they receive new names and identities. Paul says God's promise comes to all who share Abraham and Sarah's faith and trust in God. We, too, get new identities in baptism, as we put on Christ.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Abram was 99 years old when God appeared to him and said, "I'm making a covenant between us; a new relationship between us based on trusting each other. Trust in me and I'll give you a huge family."

Abraham simply fell on his face, overwhelmed and in awe.

Then God's message became more specific. "I'm making you the father of many nations. Your name will no longer be Abram but Abraham. Kings will come from you. I'm giving you a new land to own forever; a place where I will be your God."

Though they were far too old to bear children, they trusted that God would accomplish what God had promised.

This is the same God that we worship today: our trustworthy, Three-in-One God who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

HYMN

My Faith Looks Up To Thee

My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!

**Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away,
oh, let me from this day be wholly thine!**

**May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart,
my zeal inspire;
as thou hast died for me, oh, may my love to thee
pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!**

**While life's dark maze I tread and griefs around me spread,
be thou my guide;
bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away,
nor let me ever stray from thee aside.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God,

You are the One who establishes a new relationship with us. This covenant is built on trust. You are the One who makes these promises, and you are able to keep your promises. Lead us toward deeper trust in you, and one another. You have the power to bring together what has been torn apart. Help us to trust in your promises and your power. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.” ³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴“As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.”

¹⁵God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall

not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 22:23-31

You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory. Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.

For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hidden from them; but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.

From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied, Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow before God.

For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules over the nations.

Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.

Their descendants shall serve the LORD, whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.

They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, "The LORD has acted!"

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 4:13-25

¹³The 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. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For 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, ¹⁷as 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. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ²³Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON *“Restoring Relationships through Trust”*

APOSTLES 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**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

When we cry out, O God, hear us we pray.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who are 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.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours forever
and ever. Amen.**

BENEDICTION**SENDING HYMN** *If You But Trust in God To Guide You*

**If you but trust in God to guide you
with gentle hand through all your ways,
you'll find that God is there beside you
when crosses come, in trying days.
Trust then in God's unchanging love;
build on the rock that will not move.**

**The Lord our restless hearts is holding,
in peace and quietness content.
We rest in God's good will unfolding,
what wisdom from on high has sent.
God, who has chosen us by grace,
knows very well the fears we face.**

**Sing, pray, and keep God's ways unswerving,
offer your service faithfully.**

**Trust heaven's word; though undeserving,
you'll find this promise true to be.**

**This is our confidence indeed:
God never fails in time of need.**

DISMISSAL

*Go into this week listening for the voice of God whispering in your ear,
"You can trust me." Go in peace. Serve the Lord.*

Okay, we will. Thanks be to God!

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Sunday, February 28th

9:30am Worship @ OSL and live on Facebook and YouTube- “Restoring Relationships”

6:30-8pm HS Youth Group

Monday, March 1st

9:30am Lent Bible Study with Pastor Deb in the building and on Zoom
Zoom Meeting ID: 518 251 3825 Password: OSLHermosa

Tuesday, March 2nd

1:00pm Education Committee meets

Wednesday, March 3rd

DOG Night Lent video drop

6:30pm Mid-Week Lenten Service in the building and live streamed on Facebook and YouTube- “Created For Community”

Thursday, March 4th

7:00pm Lent Bible Study with Chelle on Zoom

Zoom Meeting ID: 886-0644-8843 Password: 372054

Friday, March 5th

10:30-11:30am Feeding SD Truck- Box Drop off- OSL Parking Lot

Saturday, March 6th

10:00am Lent Bible Study with Pastor Deb in the building and on Zoom

Zoom Meeting ID: 518 251 3825 Password: OSLHermosa

Sunday, March 7th

9:30am Worship/Communion @ OSL and live on Facebook and YouTube

10:30am Worship Committee meets

5:00pm Confirmation

6:30-8pm HS Youth Group



We Lift in Prayer...

**Those who are grieving losses of any sort, including the friends and family of Ruth Sichterman (mother of Dan Mintzlaff); Glen (Father-in-Law of Carmen Lakner)

**Those recovering from COVID-19, surgeries, and those who are ill or hospitalized, including Linda Morrison; Bruce Sunding, Michael (cousin of Donna Zuerlein); Randy (Cousin of Peg Tesch); Brenda Kummer; Bernadean (mother of Alan Johnson);

**Those with on-going health concerns, including Dennis Wilkensen; Kitty Aman; Peg Tesch; Suzan Heidelberger; Chelle Schefcik; Pepper (nephew of Mike and Dianna Baschnagel); Marlene (Aunt of Jason Virtue)

**For those in long-term care facilities

**For our firefighters, our first responders and our frontline & healthcare workers.

**For our leaders at every level.

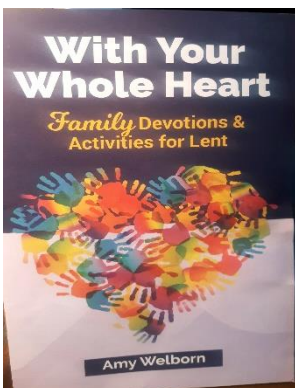
**For our siblings in Christ, our friends and enemies, both near and far.



2021 BLACK HILLS COUPON BOOKS ARE HERE!!!

\$20.00

Coupon books can be purchased from Pastor Deb, Josie in the church office or a Youth Group member or future Bible Camper. Call, text or email Pastor Deb at 605-890-0781 or pastordeb@oslhermosa.com



Visit our website every Wednesday for a new DOG Night video. We started a new series for Lent, and the puppets are making their appearance again! Each week will visit a new lesson! Check it out and share it with your friends!

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Dan Nelson lost his home on Gumbo Lily Lane as well as all possession in the home because of a fire on November 18, 2020. He continues to live on the property in a camper with plans to begin rebuilding soon. Donations this month will help Dan with rebuilding expenses. Financial donations can be mailed or dropped off at the church, placed in the Globe Offering during worship or given electronically. There is a place to check Mission of the Month if you use Tith-ly. Thank you for your generosity.



FAITH & FAMILY

SUNDAY, MARCH 14TH

4:05 P.M.

\$10 TICKETS
BOWL SECTION

\$15 TICKETS
CENTER SECTION

\$20 TICKETS
RINKSIDE SECTION





SCAN CODE FOR TICKETS
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Feeding SD Food Box Drop off
Friday, March 5th
OSL Parking Lot
10:30-11:30am

- Feeding SD's new rules....
- *Must have photo ID with you
 - *No more than 2 persons in the car
 - *Can no longer deliver boxes to others-they have to be there themselves to pick up their own boxes