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HEARING THE VOICE OF JESUS

AT THE RIGHT TIME

Entering into the penitential season of Lent, we do so as we see and hear the distresses and miseries from around the world, even from within our own little worlds we cry out to God. In Luke chapter 18, we hear a blind man cry out to Jesus saying, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” (Luke 18:38). This historical account is also contained in the Gospels of Matthew and Mark. We hear this phrase, “Have mercy,” throughout the Scriptures – in the Old Testament as well as the New Testament. We hear it so often in God’s Word that we also cry out these words in our liturgy. The next time you attend the Divine Service at Redeemer, pay close attention to the words from the *Kyrie*, “Lord, have mercy, upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.”

Below is a sermon from a faithful pastor from Northwest Indiana. I first bumped into him at a Catechetical Conference in Wisconsin in the fall of 2005. He is also a contributor to a conservative Lutheran publication, “*Gottestienst*” which is a German word meaning, God’s service. I recently ran into him again through DOXOLOGY. He is also a faithful and devout husband, father, and grandfather – things the two of us have in common.

Besides our vocations as husband, father, and grandfather, we also serve as faithful ministers of Christ’s people. In this ministry, we believe, teach, and confess what is contained in the Book of Concord as well as the inspired and infallible Word of God. We would be the first to admit that we deserve none of these things, but God – out of His pure grace and mercy – has given us all these things according to His good and gracious will. We will also admit that we are poor beggars. We hunger and thirst for the righteousness of God, which is received through the means of grace in Word and Sacrament. Poor beggars like us, need to hear (or read) Christ-centered, Law/Gospel sermons. It helps us in our ministries to know that we are not alone and that we have a loving God who loves us and sent His Son Jesus Christ as evidence and proof of that love. In my reading of this sermon, it was exactly what I needed to hear – the voice of Jesus. From one beggar to another, I encourage you to read my friend’s sermon. (To get a fuller context of this sermon you may want to first read Luke 18:35-43.)

WE ARE BEGGARS, THAT IS TRUE. KYRIE, ELEISON!

Everything hinges and depends upon the Word of God in Christ. However, because it centers in His Cross, His Word remains a great Mystery, and even His disciples are blind to what it means and signifies (for Him and for themselves), until it is revealed and explained by the Holy Spirit.

As a case in point, St. Luke has carefully and purposely contrasted here the blind ignorance of

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the twelve disciples with the faith of the blind man. Where he *without eyes* could see by faith who and what Jesus is, the twelve disciples understood nothing because His Word of the Cross was hidden from them. *Seeing, they could not see; and hearing, they could neither hear nor understand.*

Yet, the Cross and Passion of Christ Jesus are the fulfillment of all that the Prophets had written concerning the Son of Man. *This* is what the Word of God is all about! *This* is what it means for Jesus to be the “Son of Man,” the incarnate God, given and poured out for the salvation of sinners, that He might justify the sons of Adam and daughters of Eve in His Resurrection from the dead.

Contrary to all human wisdom, reason, and strength, the Cross and Passion of the incarnate Son, Christ Jesus, are the revelation of the grace and glory of God in the flesh. There, in the Body of Christ the Crucified, the heart of God is opened to you in love, to forgive you and to save you.

But you are not able to recognize this true divine reality with the eyes in your head. Nor can you measure any of this accurately according to outward appearances. Apart from the Word and Spirit of God, you can neither see nor hear nor understand what any of this is or what it really means.

It is already a struggle to see and believe that Christ *the Crucified* is the Power and Wisdom and Glory of God in the flesh, and that His Cross and Passion are forgiveness, life, and salvation for the world. But now you are called, as well, to bear and to carry His Cross, to suffer His Passion, to live and die with Him in your own body and life as a disciple of this one Lord, Jesus Christ.

The challenge, then, is to recognize the gracious presence of God in the Cross of Christ that you bear and suffer. It is not “in spite of the Cross,” but it is by and with and in the Cross that you are glorified with the Glory of God in Christ Jesus. Just at those times and in those places when you are most tempted to suppose (and complain) that the Lord your God has forgotten you, that He has abandoned you, that He is angry at you — or, at your most cynical, that there is no God at all — it is then and there that He calls you to rejoice and give thanks that He is with you to glorify you.

But you cannot embrace the Cross of Christ Jesus as the Grace and Glory of God, as your Life and your Salvation, except by His Word and Holy Spirit. It is only by the preaching of His Word, which is the work of His Spirit, that you are called and converted from your blind unbelief to see and believe the truth — in the humility of true repentance, but so also in the confidence of faith.

So, there you sit by the side of the road — squatting in a gutter at the edge of town — a poor, blind beggar. A poor, miserable sinner. You have nothing of your own, nothing to show for yourself. And all that you deserve from the Lord your God is nothing else but punishment for your sins.

Well, okay, it may be that you’ve managed to cobble together a comfortable life for yourself in this world, or an adequate existence at any rate, better than others. But you know that is not your true spiritual condition, not apart from Christ Jesus. Apart from Him, your life is neither comfortable nor adequate, but rather on its way from bad to worse. And in your native sinfulness, you could not see or find the Lord Jesus anywhere. You could not see or understand anything as it really is, nor could you see or find any hope for the future. In truth, apart from Christ there is no hope.

So you squat and waste away in your rut by the side of the road, a poor beggar. That is what the Cross must make of you. That is what repentance does. It reduces you to nothing and leaves you with nothing to show for yourself, nothing to offer to God or anyone else, but only

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your desperate and pitiful need. To that end the Cross is laid upon you, in order to put you to death with Christ the Crucified and bring you by way of His Cross into His Resurrection and the Life everlasting.

Repentance is no game, nor is it a mental exercise. It begins with the dreadful experience of death and the grave, the anguish of your sins, and a little taste of hell in your heart, mind, body, and soul. It is the crushing realization that, in yourself, because of your sin, you have no power, no strength, no hope for the future, no choices to make, and no opportunities, nothing but emptiness and want.

And then comes the Word of Christ. You cannot see Him with your eyes, but you hear the Word which declares that Jesus is drawing near and passing by. That Word reaches into your darkness, past your blindness, and calls you to attention. It is true, there is no hope *in you*, but there is every hope *for you* in this Man from Nazareth. And though you are blind to His presence, unable to find Him, the Word proclaims that He is here. He has come to where you are on His way to the Cross.

And because you have been reduced to nothing but emptiness and need, the Word of Christ Jesus elicits from you the most basic prayer of faith: “*Kyrie Eleison!*” “Lord, have mercy!” What else can you say? You have nothing else to offer, and nothing with which to bargain or barter with the Lord. You are a beggar. There is no merit or worthiness in you. So you simply cry out for mercy.

It is a deeply heartfelt prayer. It is a groan of anguish and a cry of desperation, a plea for help from the only One who can help. It is the voice of faith in its purest and most childlike state, small and fragile, helpless and weak, relying on the mercy of the Lord, the Son of David, Jesus Christ. Under the weight of the Cross, you cry out for mercy to Him who bears and carries the Cross for you.

But of course, as soon as you begin to pray — as soon as repentance and faith begin to offer up their *Kyrie Eleison!* — the devil, the world, and your own flesh rise up against you, determined to keep you from Jesus. “Hush your mouth,” they say. “Be content with sin, death, and hell, and do not presume to ask for mercy. Don’t pray. Don’t hope. Don’t trust. Just give up, and shut up.”

So it is that voices of opposition strive to keep you from hearing and receiving the Word of Jesus, and to dissuade you from calling upon His Name and coming to Him at His Word. But such voices do not belong to those who follow after Jesus. They are the false noises and the fatal cacophony of those who presume to go before Him, who presume to lead and guide Him. They know nothing of the Cross, but only the power, might, and wisdom of the world. They are puffed up with their own reason and strength, and they insist that you must likewise be measured by their standards.

It is the Word of Jesus on His way to the Cross that defends you against those false and misleading voices of doubt and despair. So faith persists in the confidence of His Word, which declares that He is close at hand. And His Cross has taught you to know and believe these two most basic facts: You need Him, who alone is able to help and save you; and He has come for you in divine love.

So you will not shut up, nor will you give up, but you will cry out all the more: Lord, have mercy!

But, O Lord, how long!? How long must we grope about in this deep darkness? How long must we languish in our poverty and pathetic degradation, begging for mercy by the side of the road? How long must we pray and cry out, before the Lord opens His hand and pours out His mercy?

If you are asking how long you must bear the Cross and suffer such difficulties, the answer

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is that your entire life in this world is lived under the Cross of Christ, which is paradoxically your glory, your strength, your sure confidence and hope — all appearances to the contrary notwithstanding.

But if you are asking how long it will be until the Lord Jesus hears and answers your cry for mercy, He has already answered before you have asked. Indeed, He has planted Himself here, that even a blind beggar may find Him and lay hold of Him; and He calls for you to be brought to Him.

Against all those voices of opposition, He has commanded that you should be brought to Him. He speaks with the authority of His own Cross and Resurrection, and His Word gives you confidence. For not only has He drawn near to you, but He is calling for you to be drawn near to Him.

Your prayer for mercy is not in vain. It is heard, and it is answered. For the Lord invites you to pray, to lay your every need and every request before Him. What is more, He has given you the very words with which to pray: “Our Father, who art in heaven.” He has indeed commanded you to pray, and He has promised that, whatever you ask in His Name, it will be granted. So it is that His Word comes to your rescue. It opens your ears to hear, your eyes to see, and your lips to pray.

Now, to be sure, He answers your prayer for daily bread, for all that you need to support this body and life, just as He has taught you to pray. Cast all of your anxieties on Him, therefore, because He truly cares about you, and He provides food and clothing, shelter and protection for your body. But even better, He opens your blind eyes to behold and believe His true Glory, which is to say, His Holy Cross and Passion, whereby He has obtained the forgiveness of all your sins, conquered death in order to give you life, and defeated the devil in order to save you for eternity in heaven.

Of course it is true that, no matter what your circumstances in this world, for now you are not yet able to see the Lord Jesus with the eyeballs in your head. And for as long as you live in this world, always under the Cross, you will not be able to “feel” His presence with you here. For now it is by faith alone, and not by sight. Blessed are you, therefore, who have not seen but have believed.

But how so are you blessed, and how do you believe what you cannot see and the world denies? It is by the Word of Christ the Crucified. “Faith alone” depends upon “the *Word* alone.” Not just any Word, but the Word of God in Christ. And not just any Christ, but Jesus Christ the Crucified.

The truth of the matter is that, if you could *see* Him, this crucified Lord Jesus Christ, you would be no less confused and scandalized than the disciples were then. Just as you are so challenged, and sometimes shaken, when you are confronted by the Cross in your own Christian faith and life.

Even so, the Word of Christ prevails. Not only has it alerted you to His gracious presence. Not only has it called you to Him and invited you to pray. His Word now also gives you Christ Himself and such good things as you could never dare hope for. He speaks to you today, and your sins are forgiven. He speaks to you today, and your faith is strengthened unto Life everlasting. He speaks to you today, and He thereby gives to you His own holy Body and His holy, precious Blood, which He has sacrificed for you upon His Cross, that you should live in Him, and He in you, forever.

He speaks to you today, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against you. For He speaks to you from His own Cross, the One who has been mocked and spitefully treated and spit upon, scourged and put to death for you and your salvation, who has risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity. Today, then, as you hear His Voice, do not harden your heart, and do

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not suppose that He has hardened His heart against you, but enter into His Peace and Rest by faith in His mercy.

You are a beggar, that is true — truer than you even know. But Christ be praised, He is the Savior of such beggars. He is *your* Savior, and He has had mercy upon you. His Word has saved you. Come, then, rise up from your gutter, and follow Him on the Way that leads to Life everlasting.” – Rev. Dr. Richard Stuckwisch, Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church, South Bend, Indiana

Your Faithful Servant,
Pastor Jim Kress

Bible Studies



Sunday Morning Bible Study: On Sunday, after the 9:15 a.m. service, (approximately 10:45 a.m.) we are studying the Book of Revelation. Let this study not frighten you as a believing Christian. In fact, as a believing Christian, you should be encouraged to attend to see God’s magnificent beauty now and will be at the return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We look forward to seeing as many of you believing Christians attend this study of an amazing and revealing book of the Bible.

Wednesday Morning Table Talk: Join us in the Church Narthex on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m., to gather with Pastor Kress around tables to talk theology, ask a wide range of interesting questions, and witness our own theology shaped by the Word of God. No one is required to know everything about anything. If you have questions or are interested in listening in on our Table Talk, you are welcome to join us in some engaging and thought-provoking conversations.



Choir The resurrection of our Lord is approaching and we invite anyone who wishes to make a joyful noise to the Lord to join the choir for a non-committal trial. Christ has given His all, so show the love to your fellow parishioners by singing to our Lord on Easter. See Collins Sita on Wednesday night at the church from 6-7 or call him at 941-830-6020.

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Coffee Hour

God's Providential Care

Everything we have and everything we are is a gift of God's providential care. We understand that we're not islands unto ourselves, that we could not exist without those who have gone before us and are alongside us. God has given us forefathers in family, country, and faith. We are recipients of what God worked through them. We know that God provides for our well-being through these means.

He gives us farmers and ranchers of all sorts so that we can eat. But more than that God created and gave us all the things that those farmers and ranchers cultivate. He gave us the corn, the beans, the wheat, the cows for milking, the steers for grilling. He gave each of those things, properties for our nourishment and sustenance. Without God creating and instilling in those things their taste and their nutritional value, we would not exist.

He gives us doctors, surgeons, nurses, and hospitals. He gives us medicine and medical instruments. Again, he gave us all things that go into making those medicines and medical instruments. He instilled in those things the properties that can be utilized for that purpose. Without God creating and instilling those healing properties into those things, and without God creating the ability within man to find this out and press it into service of our medical needs, we would not enjoy the kind of health we do now.

But there's more. He gives us gainful employment through our employers and provides for the necessities of life through the labor of our hands: "Then Moses said to the people of Israel, 'See, the Lord has called by name Bezalel the son of Uri, son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah; and he has filled him with the Spirit of God, with skill, with intelligence, with knowledge, and with all craftsmanship, to devise artistic designs, to work in gold and silver and bronze, in cutting stones for setting, and in carving wood, for work in every skilled craft. And he has inspired him to teach, both him and Oholiab the son of Ahisamach of the tribe of Dan.' " (Exodus 35:30-34)

And one step back from that, He has created and given us hands. And attached to those hands are arms with strength. He created us with minds in order to make those arms and hands move to accomplish the work set before us. And He has given us reason and senses. That mind, because of the reason God has instilled in it, is able to work through difficult problems before we press those arms and hands into labor. It allows us to grapple with concepts and run through scenarios instead of having to experience every situation personally. It allows us to learn from the mistakes as well as the accomplishments of others. This can be done for our entire body, all our skills and talents, everything that makes us ... us. So that everything we have AND everything we are is a gift from Him. This is what we confess in the First Article of the Creed when we say that we believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

But that is just the First Article of the Creed. We confess two more articles that deal with God's provision for our spiritual well-being. That He sent His son to die and be raised on the third day for our justification. That He delivers that justification through the Means of Grace (Baptism, preaching, the Word of God, and the Lord's Supper). And to give you those Means of Grace, He gives pastors and teachers, etc. Again, this could be expanded and expounded

upon. So that literally everything that we have and everything that we are – in this life and the next – is an inexpressible gift from God.

And it is for this, all of this, that we give thanks. And that is what stewardship is all about – giving thanks for God’s provision for us. To give thanks is more than having an attitude of gratitude, more than just a feeling in our hearts. It is an action. It begins in the heart, but it doesn’t stay there. It works its way out through the mouth in praise for God’s gifts and in love and charity through the hands to our neighbors in family, country, and church. “For all this is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey him” (*Luther’s Small Catechism*, 16).

So give thanks to God for His inexpressible gift – for everything we have and everything we are. Do this not in word only but also in deed.

LCMS Stewardship Ministry



Treasurer's
Report

Financial information is available to all members upon request.

PROPERTY APPRECIATION DAY

We sure could use some help on our Property Appreciation Days every month. There is outside work to do and cleaning and dusting that needs done inside the Church. If you can help, please come to the church and we will put you to work. **Our next Property Appreciation Day is Saturday, March 19th at 8:00 am.**



***The deadline for the April Newsletter is March 18th.
PLEASE have all your submissions sent to patchas123@gmail.com
OR drop them off at the church office by the date indicated above. Thank You!***

Do You Want to Fast this Lent?

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate
to others.
Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.
Fast from worries and have trust in God.



PRAYERS

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Pastor and members of the church are always willing to pray for you, family members and friends. If a loved one appears on our prayer list above, please call Pastor or the church office to give us a health update so that we may either keep or remove their name. Thank you!



Happy St. Patrick's Day from Redeemer Lutheran Child Care!

This month in Chapel we will be learning from these Bible Lessons. The week of 3/7 God's People Praise Him *Matthew 21:1-11*. The week of 3/14 No Chapel Spring Break The week of 3/21 God's People Honor Jesus *Matthew 26:6-13*. The week of 3/28 Jesus Saves Us from Sin *Matthew 27:27-56*.



Dear Jesus, I am so glad You are alive. Help me tell others this good news.. Amen

What we are learning this month at Redeemer Child Care! Ages Infants thru 4 yrs. Theme: "Blast Off!" Color: Black Letter: I Number: 9 Shape: Star Literacy: Read, Read, Read Celebrating Dr. Seuss's Birthday. Science: Exploring Earthly materials. Nutrition: Heath Eating Habits. Character Development: Happiness...We will be discussing what makes us happy and what makes us laugh.



Celebrating Happiness Day March 20, 2022 with laughing!



What do cows listen to? MOO-SIC!
Why was six afraid of seven? Because seven ate nine!

BLAST OFF! A Bunch of Little Astronauts

One little astronaut floating out from base, hooked to a hose, exploring space. She thought it was such an amazing trick, She called another astronaut to join her quick. Two little astronauts floating out from base, hooked to a hose, exploring space. They thought it was such an amazing trick, they called another astronaut to join them quick!
(Continue/repeat until all children are holding hands.)

Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss!

Submitted by Wendy Horvath



Happy March!

A new month is here and although February was short, the month was busy.

In February we celebrated Valentine's Day. We had a morning of Valentine's fun and learning centers and took some time in the afternoon to exchange valentines with our classmates. We also had a very special celebration on Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2022 to celebrate Twos Day (2-22-22) on a Tuesday. We did some fun Twos Day activities and even dressed up in tutus and ties. For lunch that day, we ordered Chinese for lunch. The Kindergarten and First Grade classes had just finished their Around the World unit in Social Studies, so we ordered chicken and noodles then practiced using chopsticks to eat. That afternoon the class made time capsules. The students will open these on 3-3-33, when some students will be in high school, others will be in college, and some may already be in the working world. The time capsules were filled with some fun facts about them, pictures of them, letters from family and teachers, some of their favorite things, and a class photo. Many of our students are also learning about animals in Science right now, so our field trip for the month was to Big Cat Habitat. We got to see lots of different animals, had a guided tour of the animals, and even got to watch the bird show and tiger show. The kids loved the petting zoo, the monkey that was throwing food, and the animal show. It was a warm day, but definitely a fun field trip! One of our writing projects this quarter was our Best Part of Me writing. We read the book, *The Best Part of Me* by Wendy Ewald and every student picked a part of their body that they love. After they picked the best part of them, they wrote a thesis statement and three reasons with proof as to why they chose that part of their body. It was so special to see each student love the body that God designed for them.

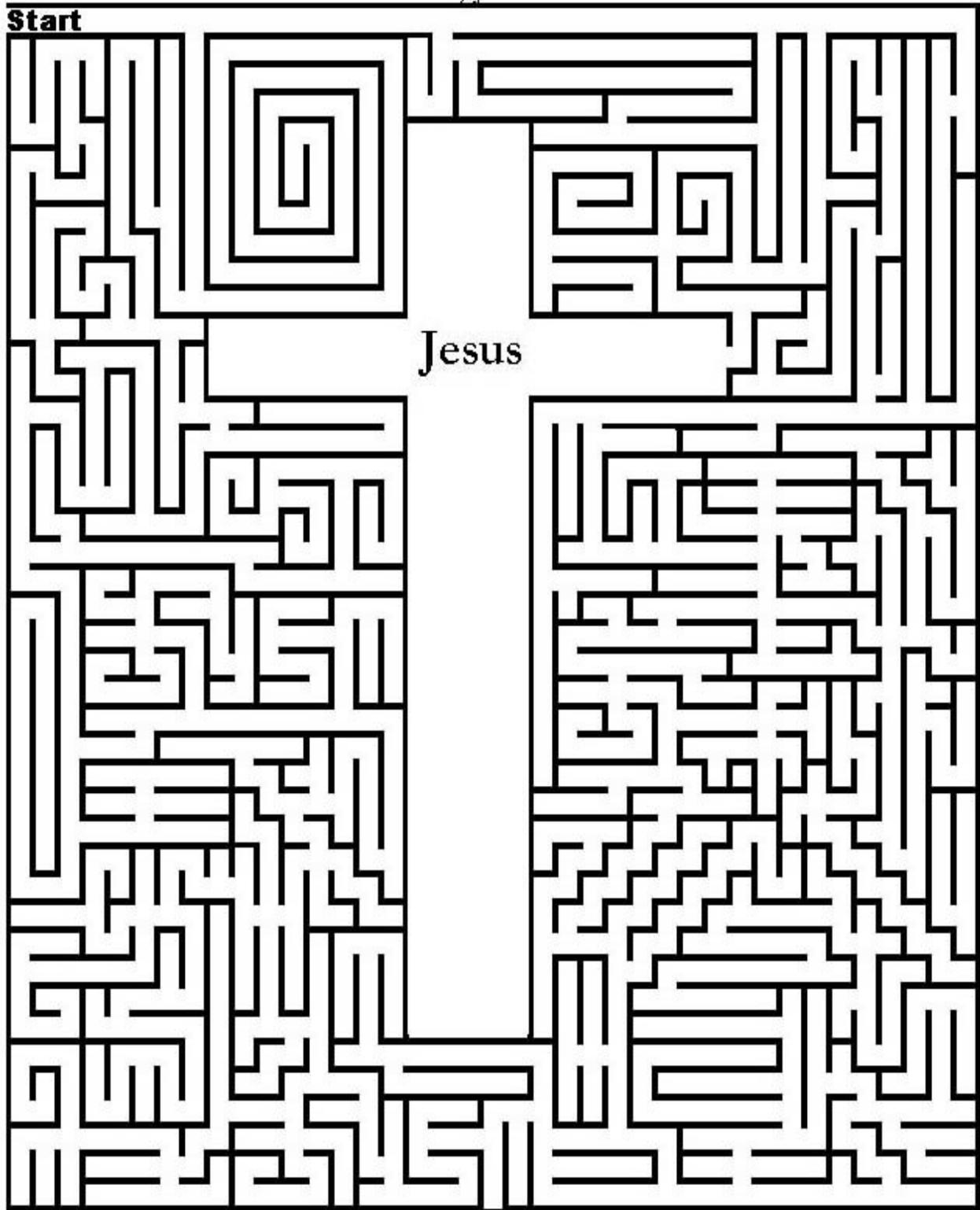
We also held our 4th Annual Open House on Saturday, Feb. 26. We were very pleased with the number of families and visitors that came to see what our class has been up to this year. We had student work on display, popcorn, crafts with Mrs. Debby's help, a photo booth, outside games, a bounce house, and a food truck. The weather was beautiful, the food was delicious, and there was lots of fun to be had. This year, we had a visitor from Sidewalk Science to do some Science experiments with the kids. It was so fun to watch the kids learn and experiment as they had fun! Mrs. Caitlin also ran a Music table where kids and adults alike could do some Music activities. She brought out the hand bells, Boom whackers, Flutophones, and had some other Music activities as well. The Music table was a hit with students, visitors, and adults. We are so grateful to everyone who helped with set-up, the event itself, and tearing down. It was sure a fun day to celebrate our learning!

“And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love the neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.” - Mark 12:30-31

Submitted by Nicole Hopkins

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WORSHIP SERVICES:

Divine Service: 9:15 am

Bible Class: *Sunday, 10:45 a.m.*

Sunday School: *temporarily postponed*

The Redeemer Lutheran Church, School & Child Care Family are called into the service of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ by His command (Matthew 28:18-20) to:

- ◆Disciple all nations, that is, all people;*
- ◆Baptize in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;*
- ◆Proclaim the Gospel and teach His Word in its truth and purity; and*
- ◆Never be ashamed of the Gospel—it is the power of God unto salvation (Romans 1:16).*