



Weekly Scripture Readings & Sermon Summaries

March 2026

Land, Legacy, and Life!

March 1, 2026 – Second Sunday in Lent

Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer

God holds your entire world in His hands through three special gifts: Land, Legacy, and Life! Learn how these gifts, promised more than four thousand years ago to Abraham continue to share our past, present, and future.

Sermon Text: Genesis 12:1-3

Readings: Psalm 121; Genesis 12:1-9; John 3:1-17

Featured Choirs: Holy Cross Junior Choir, Fort Wayne, Ind.; St. John Lutheran Adult Choir, Indianapolis, Ind.

Featured Art and Architecture: Immanuel Lutheran Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Living Water

March 8, 2026 – Third Sunday in Lent

Rev. Shayne Jonker

Our sin has left us parched and thirsty. No mere water can quench our thirst for God. Oh, how we try the alternatives. But, the polluted puddles of this world's religions and spiritualities can't quench the deep thirst we have for righteousness, for wholeness, for peace. Only God can provide that Living Water which flows freely like a stream. Only God in the flesh opens up that stream to us so that we may drink and live.

Sermon Text: John 4:10

Readings: Psalm 95:1-9; Exodus 17:1-7; John 4:5-26

Featured Choir: Lincoln Lutheran High School, Lincoln, Neb.

Featured Art and Architecture: Christ Lutheran Church, Woodburn, Ind.

Eyes That See

March 15, 2026 – Fourth Sunday in Lent

Rev. Paul Shoemaker

Jesus performs a miraculous sign, giving sight to a man born blind. What a tremendous gift! But the religious leaders, who were spiritually blind, refuse to see with the eyes of faith that the Man before them is the Christ. We thank God for spiritual sight and the opportunities we have to lead others to spiritual sight.

Sermon Text: John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39

Readings: Psalm 142; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39

Featured Choirs: Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School, Centralia, Ill.; Indiana District LWML Choir

Featured Art and Architecture: Zion Lutheran Church, Woodburn, Ind.

Is, Not Was

March 22, 2026 – Fifth Sunday in Lent

Rev. William Mueller

John 11 brings us to one of the greatest miracles of Jesus: raising Lazarus from the dead. In this account, Jesus also teaches us two powerful truths. He shows what it means that He is the Resurrection and the Life, and He moves us to discover that believing this resurrection truth greatly impacts our life.

Sermon Text: John 11:17-27, 38-53

Readings: Psalm 130; Ezekiel 37:1-14; John 11:17-27, 38-53

Featured Choirs: Saint Paul Singing Saints, Concordia, Mo.; Lincoln Lutheran High School, Lincoln, Neb.

Featured Art and Architecture: Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Van Wert, Ohio

Do You Understand?

March 29, 2026 – Palm Sunday

Rev. Scott Zeckzer

We are told that the disciples did not understand what was going on during the first Palm Sunday. The crowds were excited about Jesus but were confused, too. What about you? Do you understand Palm Sunday?

Sermon Text: John 12:16

Readings: Psalm 118:19-29; Philippians 2:5-11; John 12:12-19

Featured Choirs: Holy Cross Angelis Choir, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Holy Cross Men's Chorus, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Featured Art and Architecture: Emmanuel Lutheran Church, New Haven, Ind.