

LAKE OF THE ISLES LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ First Sunday in Lent ✠

February 21, 2021

On Ash Wednesday the church began its journey toward baptismal immersion in the death and resurrection of Christ. This year, the Sundays in Lent lead us to focus on five covenants God makes in the Old Testament and to use them as lenses through which to view baptism. The baptismal covenant is made with us individually, but the new life we are given in baptism is for the sake of the whole world.

✠ Gathering ✠

Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world.

We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Prelude

Um Desanuviado Alvorecer Oceânico (A Carefree Seaside Dawning)
Kris Rizzotto (b. 1989)

Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 25

*Please stand
as you are able.*

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and | my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

You are gracious and up-right, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners in your way.

You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

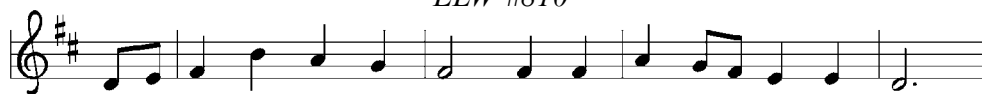
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen

Gathering Hymn

O Jesus I Have Promised

ELW #810



1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;
2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.
3 Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still
4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you



re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.
I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt - ing sounds I hear.
a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.
that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.



I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,
My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;
Now speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;



nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.
but, Je - sus, then draw near - er to shield my soul from sin.
now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard - ian of my soul.
oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

Text: John E. Bode, 1816–1874, alt.

Music: MUNICH, *Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch*, Meiningen, 1693

Apostolic Greeting

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

C: And also with you.



Kyrie

Throughout this season we embrace the discipline of Lent including self-examination and repentance. Therefore, let us come before God with open hearts.

To be sung by the Assisting Minister and repeated by the Congregation.



Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please sing to the music above.

*Christe, christe eleison **Christe, christe eleison***

Confession

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Please sing to the music above.

*Kyrie, kyrie eleison **Kyrie, kyrie eleison***

Words of Absolution

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

P: Holy God, heavenly Father, **in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Re new us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

✠ Word ✠

The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community as God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.

Children's Message

Please be seated.

Reading

Genesis 9:8-17

Today's reading is the conclusion to the flood story. Because of human sin, God destroys the earth by flood, saving only Noah, his family, and the animals on the ark. Yet divine destruction gives way to divine commitment. As in the first creation, God blesses humanity and establishes a covenant with all creatures.

⁸God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹“As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹²God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” ¹⁷God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Although Ash Wednesday traditionally marks the beginning of Lent in the Western Church, certain church orders suggest that ashes may be used on the First Sunday in Lent. This morning we invite those who were not able to attend Ash Wednesday service to come forward to receive ashes as a sign of a renewed Lenten discipline.

O Faithful God - Psalm 51

Marty Haugen

*O faithful God, have mercy on your servant here;
in your love, remember not my sins.*

*In the waters of your grace, wash me clean of all disgrace,
raise me up to life from death and fear.*

*I know my deeds, I know my faults and failings well;
I have sinned and broken faith with you.*

*For the wrong that I have done, my transgressions, ev'ry one,
God, your judgment would be just and true.*

*You long for truth, for wisdom dwelling deep within;
teach my heart to long for wisdom, too:*

*Wash me clean and give me voice, so these bones you crushed rejoice;
turn my heart from sin to life in you.*

*Create in me a clean and righteous heart, O God,
put a willing spirit in my soul.*

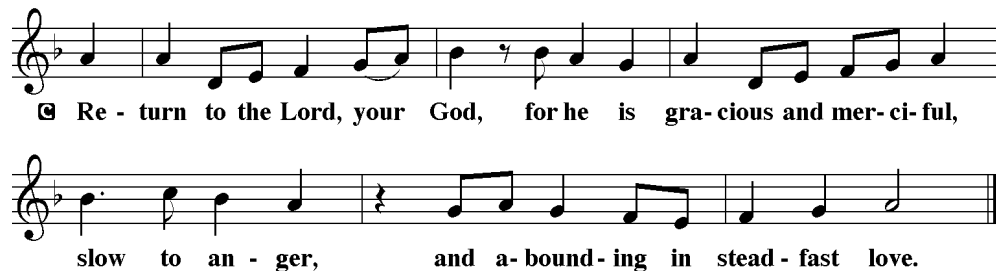
*Let me sing with joy anew the salvation found in you,
singing praise to you who made me whole.*



Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth. May these ashes be a sign of our mortality and penitence, reminding us that only by the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ are we given eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

Lenten Verse

*Please stand
as you are able.*



Gospel

Mark 1:9-15

*The Spirit that comes
upon Jesus at his
baptism sustains him
when he is tested by
Satan so that he might
proclaim the good news
of God's reign.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Following the sermon, we will take a moment of silence to reflect on today's gospel message.

Sermon

Please be seated.



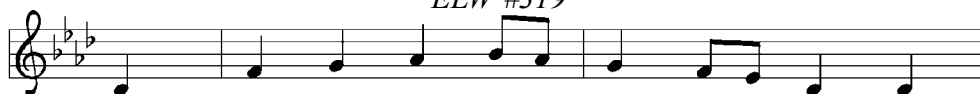
Hymn of the Day

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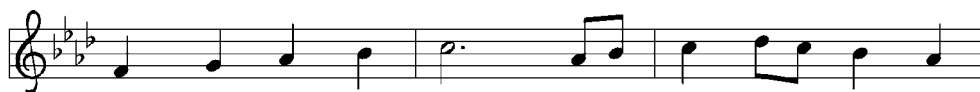


O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days

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1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days you
2 You strove with Sa - tan, and you won; your
3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet you prayed and
4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, and



prayed and kept the fast; in - spire re - pen - tance
faith - ful - ness en - dured; lend us your nerve, your
fixed your mind a - bove; so teach us to de -
all our earth - ly days, that when the fi - nal



for our sin, and free us from our past.
skill and trust in God's e - ter - nal word.
ny our - selves that we may know God's love.
Eas - ter dawns, we join in heav - en's praise.

Text: based on Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838–1898; para. Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930

Music: CONSOLATION, A. Davison, *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816

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Prayers of the Church

P: Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A: In Jesus your realm has come near to us in every place and time. Give your church... Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

Greeting of Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

After the greeting, please share of word or gesture of peace with those around you.

✠ Offering ✠

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week. We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.

Offering

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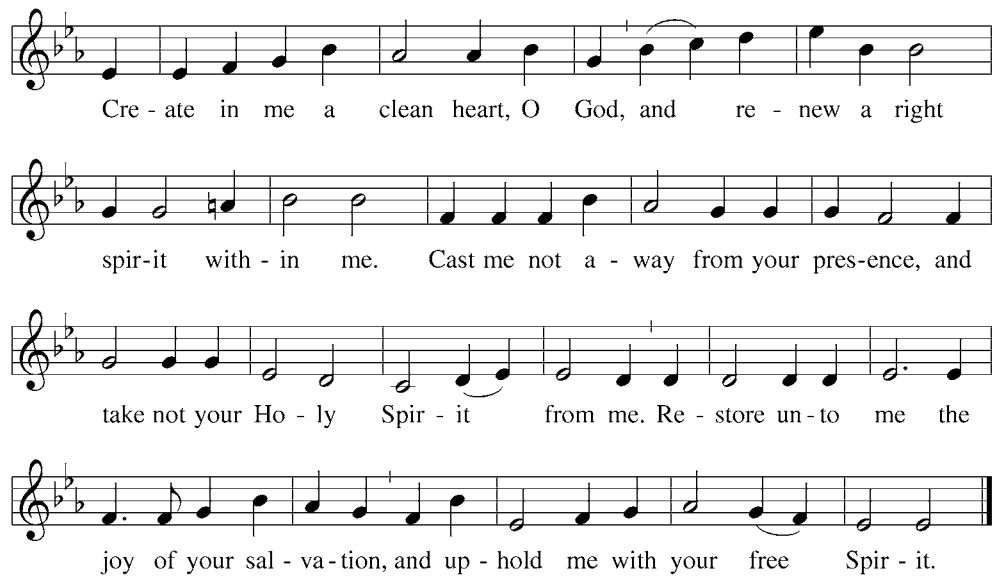
A Lenten Walk

American Spiritual/ Hal H. Hopson

*Jesus walked this lonesome valley, he had to walk it by himself;
Oh, nobody else could walk it for him, he had to walk it by himself.
We must walk this lonesome valley, we must walk it by ourselves;
O, nobody else can walk it for us, we have to walk it by ourselves.
Jesus bore the cross of sorrow; he had to bear it by himself;
Oh, nobody else could bear it for him, he had to bear it by himself.
We must take our cross and follow: we must take it by ourselves.
Oh, nobody else can follow for us; we have to follow by ourselves.*

Offertory

*Please stand
as you are able.*



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and
take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the
joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Text: Psalm 51:10-12
Music: FRANKIE, J.A. Freylinghausen, 1670-1739

Offertory Prayer

A: Faithful God, you walk beside us in desert places, and you meet us in our hunger with bread from heaven. Accompany us in this meal, that we may pass over from death to life with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

✠ Meal ✠

We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set, and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world.

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

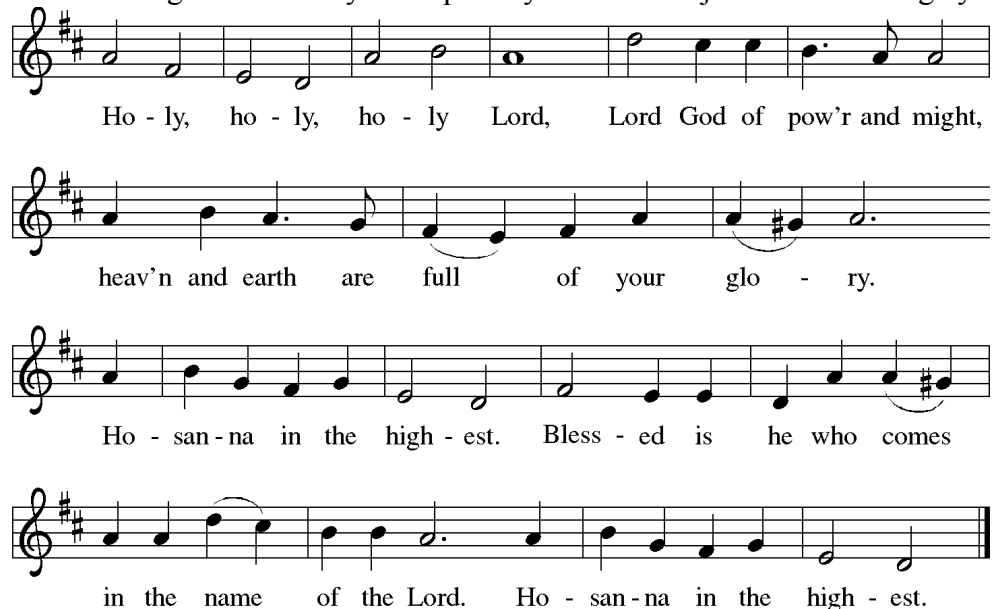
P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right and salutary... we praise you name and join their unending hymn:



Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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.

Invitation to Communion

Please be seated

P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. The table is ready. All are welcome.

Lamb of God

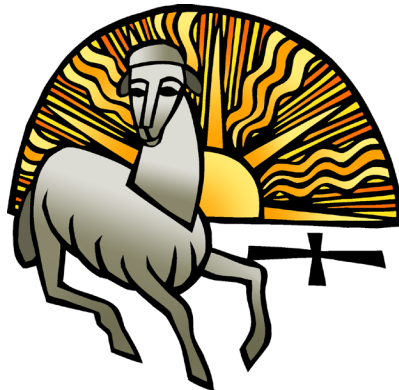
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

A: We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**



Sending Hymn

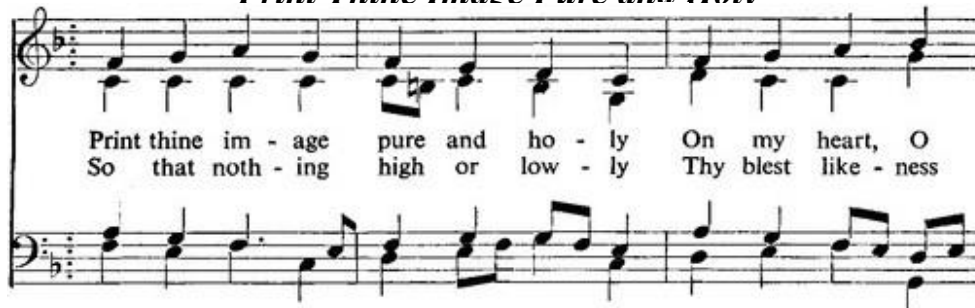
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as you are able.*



✠ SENDING ✠

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace, sent out to live the way of Jesus
for the sake of the world God loves.*

Print Thine Image Pure and Holy



*Thomas Hansen Kingo, 1634-1703
Tr. Jens Christian Aaberg. 1877-*

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Coronation March

Kris Rizzotto (b. 1989)

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WELCOME

We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—for prayer and worship. We will continue to have Wednesday and Saturday services online. We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.

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CALENDAR

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21	9:30 AM	Worship with Holy Communion	Sanctuary
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22	7:00 PM	<i>AA</i>	Sanctuary
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23	9:15 PM	<i>Prayer Ministry</i>	Zoom
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24	10:00 AM	<i>Bible Study</i>	Zoom
	12:00 PM	<i>Staff Meeting</i>	Zoom
	4:00 PM	<i>Confirmation</i>	Zoom
	7:00 PM	Holden Evening Prayer	YouTube
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25	7:00 PM	<i>Growlers & Theology</i>	Zoom
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26	5:00 PM	<i>Women's Book Group</i>	Zoom
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27	9:30 AM	Worship with Holy Communion	Sanctuary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer List

Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:



Bruce Johnson, nephew of Mary Ann Lisk; **the family of Verne Anderson**, friend of Phyllis Dahl; **Brian Krinke**, son of Jean & Lambert Krinke; **Jim Jodie**, cousin of Carolyn Hagford; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Jim Peterson**, brother-in-law of Rick and Suzanne Pepin; **Bruce Payne** and **Mike Payne**, cousins of Michelle McCreery; **Heluza Ramos**, grandmother of Rebecca Morell; **Deb Benson**, mother of Kayla Hoel; **Trevor Daniel**, prayer request by Cheri Moe; **Peggy Wagner**, friend of the congregation; **Heidi Chadwick**, sister of Cindy Huttner.

Easter Flower Orders

We are taking orders for Easter flowers now through **Tuesday, March 22nd**. Selections include:

White Lilies 6" pot.....\$8.00
Red, Purple, or Yellow Tulips 6.5" pot.....\$7.50
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Pink Hydrangeas 8" pot.....\$15.25

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Loved Ones In The Military

Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



~HAPPY BIRTHDAY!~

Alyson Frahm 2/21 Diane Stensrud 2/21
Kamie Moen 2/24 Bob Brownson 2/24
Ken Larson 2/24 Rick Gripentrog 2/26
Tom Madson 2/27 Cindy Huttner 2/27

Our Saviour's Housing Meals in 2021

For many years, *Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church* has provided a meal for 40 on the first Friday of the month. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, our monthly meals are provided by donation via check, money order, or [online](#). The shelter orders and serves the meal. Suggested donation is \$250.

Thanks to **Janna & Arden Haug** for providing on **2/5/21**
2021 DATES

MAR 5 Linda Nelson & Mary Jubenville
APR 2 Ellie Holmquist, Ruth Lee,
Heather Jacoby, & Gretchen Robertson
MAY 7 Andy & Monica Schwarm
JUN 4 Peter Van Bergen & Cathy Carlson
JUL 2 Pat & Kathy Bracken

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