

# First Sunday in Lent



A Savior Tempted, yet without Sin



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# "I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD." Psalm 122:1



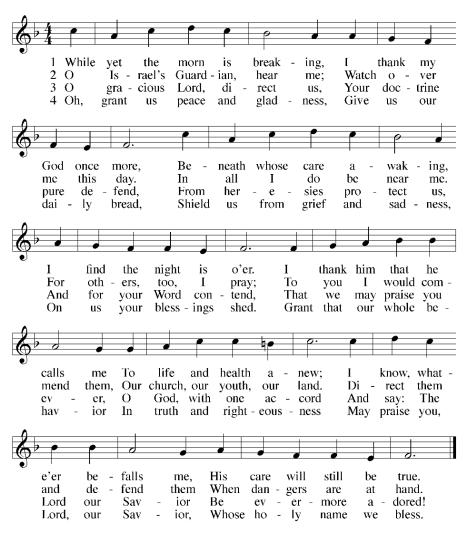
# **Lord of Love Lutheran Church**

# March 6, 2022

# **DIVINE SERVICE II**

# **OPENING HYMN** (CW 585)

# While Yet the Morn Is Breaking



Text: Johannes Mühlmann, 1573–1613, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, st. 1-2, alt.; composite, st. 3-4. Tune: GEDULD, DIE SOLLN WIR HABEN (76 76 D) Christliche Hauss und Tisch Musica, Wittenberg, 1605, alt.



# **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

STAND

# INVOCATION

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

# **CONFESSION**

**M:** Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

### ABSOLUTION

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

# LORD, HAVE MERCY

Mark 10:47

**Kyrie** 

**M:** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

**M:** For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ, have mercy.

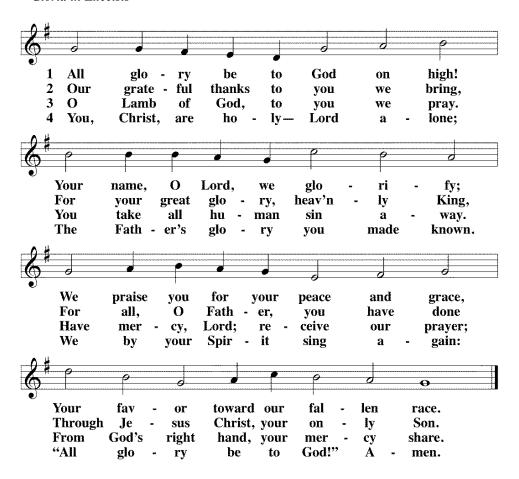
**M:** For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

**M:** Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

C: Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis





# THE WORD

# **SALUTATION**

**M:** The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

Lord our strength, the battle of good and evil rages within and around us, and our ancient foe tempts us with his deceits and empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your Word, and when we fall, raise us up again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

### LESSON

1 Samuel 17:4-11, 32-40,45-49

**PASTOR:** A challenger who represented the Philistines came out from the camp of the Philistines. He was named Goliath of Gath. He was nine feet, six inches tall. <sup>5</sup> He had a bronze helmet on his head, and he wore scaled body armor, which was made of more than one hundred pounds of bronze. <sup>6</sup> He had bronze greaves on his shins and a bronze spear slung between his shoulders. <sup>7</sup> The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spearhead was made of fifteen pounds of iron. His shield bearer went out ahead of him.

**ALL:** He would stand up and shout to the armies of Israel, "Why have you come out to line up in battle formation? I am a Philistine, and you are servants of Saul, aren't you? Choose a man to represent you, and let him come down to me. <sup>9</sup> If he is able to fight with me and kill me, we will be your servants. But if I overcome him and kill him, you will become our servants, and you will serve us." <sup>10</sup> The Philistine would say, "I defy the ranks of Israel today! Give me a man, and we will fight each other!" <sup>11</sup> When Saul and all Israel heard those words of the Philistine, they lost their courage and were terrified...

**PASTOR:** David said to Saul, "Do not let anyone lose heart because of this Philistine! Your servant will go and fight him."

<sup>33</sup> But Saul said to David, "You cannot go against this Philistine to fight with him, because you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior since he was a youth."

<sup>34</sup> David said to Saul, "Your servant has been taking care of his father's sheep. When a lion or a bear came and took a lamb from the flock, <sup>35</sup> I went after it and struck it and rescued the lamb out of its mouth. When the lion reared up against me, I grabbed it by its mane, struck it, and killed it. <sup>36</sup> Your servant struck both the lion and the bear. This uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, since he has defied the ranks of the living God." <sup>37</sup> David added, "The LORD, who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine."

**WOMEN:** Saul said to David, "Go then! May the LORD be with you." <sup>38</sup> So Saul dressed David in his own gear. He placed a bronze helmet on his head and dressed him in scaled body armor. <sup>39</sup> David strapped his sword over his gear. David tried to walk around in them, since he had never trained with this kind of equipment before.

David said to Saul, "I cannot go in these, because I have never trained with them." So David took them off.

**MEN:** Then David took his staff in his hand and picked five smooth stones out of the stream bed and put them into the pouch of his shepherd's bag. He took his sling in his hand and approached the Philistine.

**PASTOR:** Then David said to the Philistine, "You come against me with a sword, with a spear, and with a javelin, but I come against you in the name of the LORD of Armies, the God of the ranks of Israel, whom you have defied. <sup>46</sup> Today the LORD will hand you over to me. I will strike you down and cut off your head. Today I will give the dead bodies of the army of the Philistines to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth.

Then all the earth will know that there is a God in Israel, <sup>47</sup> and all those gathered here will know that the LORD does not save with sword and spear, for the battle belongs to the LORD, and he will deliver you into our hand."

**ALL:** Then, when the Philistine started advancing to attack David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. <sup>49</sup> David put his hand into his bag, took a stone from it, shot it from his sling, and struck the Philistine on the forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell facedown to the ground.

# VERSE OF THE DAY

**M:** It is written: "Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only." (Matthew 4:10b)

GOSPEL Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, <sup>2</sup> where he was tempted by the Devil for forty days. He did not eat anything during those days. When they came to an end, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup> The Devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread." <sup>4</sup> Jesus answered him, "It is written: 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.'"

<sup>5</sup> The Devil led him up to a high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. <sup>6</sup> The Devil told him, "I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, because it has been entrusted to me, and I can give it to anyone I want. <sup>7</sup> So, if you worship me, it will all be yours." <sup>8</sup> Jesus answered him, "It is written: 'You shall worship the Lord your God and serve him only.'"

<sup>9</sup> The Devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the pinnacle of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down from here, <sup>10</sup> because it is written: He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you. <sup>11</sup> And, they will lift you up with their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone."

<sup>12</sup> Jesus answered him, "It says: 'You shall not test the Lord your God.'" <sup>13</sup> When the Devil had finished every temptation, he left him until an opportune time.

BE SEATED



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SERMON Hebrews 4:14-16

<sup>14</sup> Therefore, since we have a great high priest, who has gone through the heavens, namely, Jesus the Son of God, let us continue to hold on to our confession. <sup>15</sup> For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are, yet was without sin. <sup>16</sup> So let us approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

# The Tempted Jesus Means a Sympathetic Jesus

STAND

# NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth,

of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God.

begotten, not made,

of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### OFFERING PLATE BROUGHT FORWARD & OFFERING PRAYER

# PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Lord Most High, be the dwelling place of your people. For the sake of Jesus, who suffered temptation and death for our redemption, be our refuge. Preserve us from every evil and plague, and strengthen us in faith so that we might be satisfied with your salvation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Father in heaven, your Son trampled the serpent underfoot and freed us from sin and death by his own death on the cross. Protect and preserve all whom you call to preach Christ and him crucified. Command your angels concerning them, guard them in all their ways and bear them up for the sake of Jesus. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Lord of all, you bestow your riches on all who call upon you. Bless parents with all wisdom as they teach their children your ways, that all in the household may confess with their mouths that Jesus is Lord. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Almighty God, govern the kingdoms of this world according to your holy and gracious will. Protect authorities from every temptation of the devil, who falsely claims sovereignty over them, and equip them to curb what is evil and promote what is good. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

O Lord, everyone who believes in Jesus as Lord will not be put to shame. Unite your people in a right confession of your Word and, thus freed from disagreement over your truth, bring us with penitent hearts to receive the great riches of your Son's body and blood. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Almighty God, your Son was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to suffer temptation for our sake as part of our redemption. Strengthen us when we are tempted so that we do not take his obedience for granted, and teach us to rely upon your Word as our defense against the evil one; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

The recorded Service of the Word for members at home concludes here. We continue with the Service of the Sacrament with those gathered in the sanctuary.



# THE SACRAMENT

### **PREFACE**

**M:** The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

**M:** Lift up your hearts.

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

**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who willingly died under the curse of this world's sin so that we may live forever in the light of God's blessing.

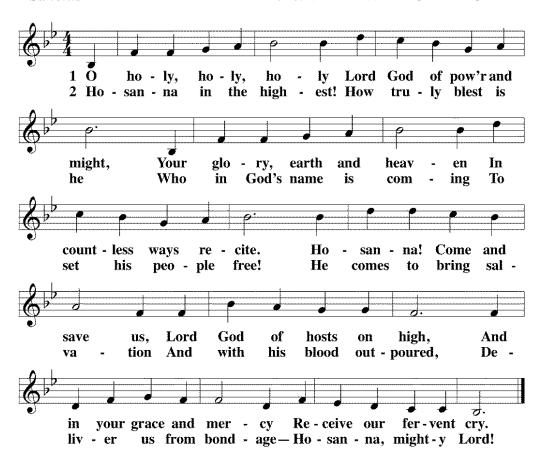
Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBER



# PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-13

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

# WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26-28 1 Corinthians 11:24,25

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**M:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

John 1:29



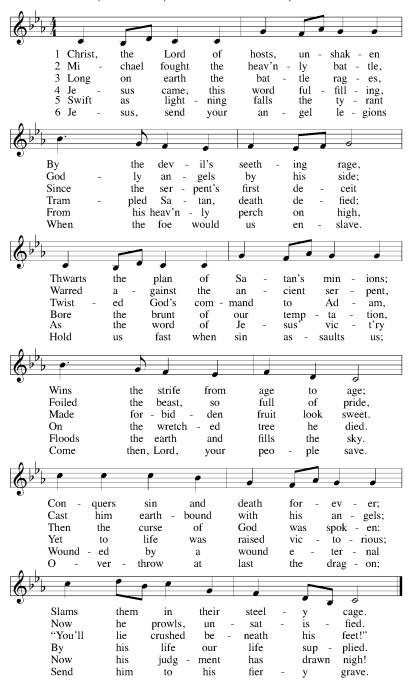
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# **DISTRIBUTION**

In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with a pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.

# **DISTRIBUTION HYMN** (CWS 726)

# Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken

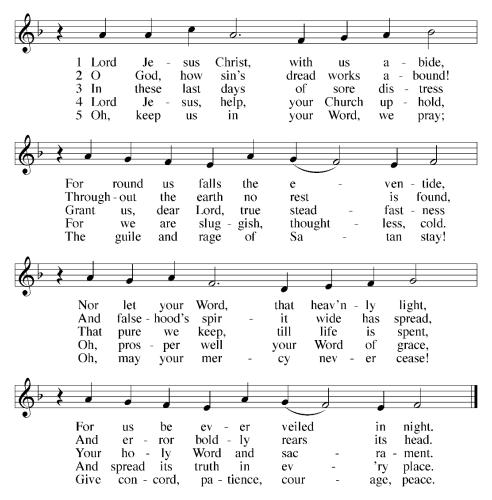


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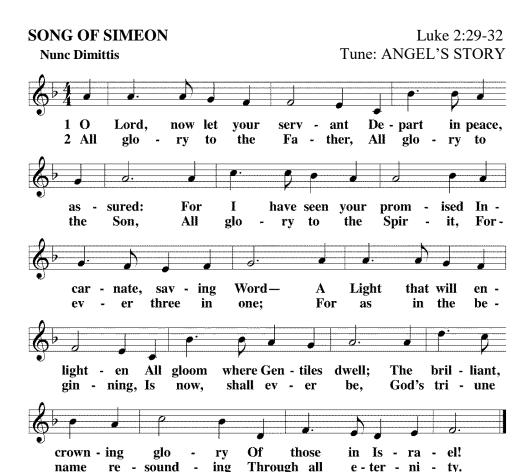
# Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide



- 6 The cause is yours, the glory, too. So hear us, Lord, and keep us true, Your Word alone is our defense, The Church's glorious confidence.
- 7 Oh, grant that in your holy Word We here may live and die, dear Lord, And when our journey's ending here, Receive us into glory there.

Text: Geistliche Psalmen, Nürnberg, 1611, st. 1, 3; Nikolaus Selnecker, 1532–92, st. 2, 4-7, abr., adapt.; tr. composite. Tune: ACH BLEIB BEI UNS (LM) Geistliche Lieder, Leipzig, 1589, alt.

### STAND



M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# C: Amen.

BLESSING Numbers 6:24-26

**M:** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

# **CLOSING HYMN** (CW 588 v. 5-7)

Abide with Me

I need thy presence ev'ry passing hour. What but thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r? Who like thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, oh, abide with me!

I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless; Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes; Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies. Heav'n's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee; In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!

Following the 8:00 service, all are invited to remain in (or return to) the sanctuary for the beginning of Adult Bible Class, Sunday School, and Teen Bible Study. Children may remain with their parents. All will begin together in the sanctuary at 9:15.

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# **Personal Prayers for Worship**

# **Before Communion:**

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

# **After Communion:**

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

# **Elevator and Building Addition Dedication**

# **Next Sunday March 13**

# One service at 9:00 am

10:15 am: Ribbon cutting, dedication, refreshments and time to tour the new addition.



Sunday March 6: First Sunday in Lent Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion 9:15 am: Adult Bible study, Teen Group and Sunday School

- Preaching Pastor: Joel Jenswold Presiding Pastor: Michael Willitz
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman: Dave Olson (8:00) and Greg Zeman (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Sef Fox, Dave Olson and Ben Olson
- Ushers 10:30 am: The Heath Family
- Counters: Rose Marie Foley and Kim Bauer
- Altar Guild: Bonnie Punzel

• A/V & Recording: Jen Olson

# Wednesday March 9: Lent Worship 12:30 & 6:30 pm

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Ushers 6:30 pm: Volunteers needed
- Altar Guild: Bonnie Punzel

• A/V & Recording: Devin Anderson

Sunday March 13: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent One Worship Service at 9:00 with Holy Communion 10:15 am: Dedication of new elevator and building addition Followed by refreshments and time for fellowship.

No Adult Bible study, Teen Group or Sunday School today

- Preaching Pastor: Michael Willitz, Presiding Pastor: Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilmen: Aaron Oughton/Steve Kalscheuer
- Ushers: Bob Degnan and Gene Freund
- Counters: Sharon Kalscheuer and Donna Cotter
- Altar Guild: Bonnie Punzel

• A/V & Recording: Joe Hornbeck

**Happy Birthday:** We wish God's blessings to Haley Beyer (3/6), Andy Huebner (3/7), Austin Chesmore (3/8), Mary Lamp (3/8), Dave Olson (3/8), Sheryl Wedel-Lange (3/9), Blake Sellmeyer (3/10) and Luke Beyer (3/11) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

**In Our Prayers:** Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Wyatt Kingsland, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Barb Noltemeyer, Marilyn Richardson, Marge Ripp and Peg Schroeder who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all of our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

# Offerings February 20 - 26, 2022:

• General Fund: \$8,347

• Building Expansion Fund: \$525

Weekly amount to meet budgeted General Fund expenses: \$8,660

MTD shortage/surplus (1/30/22 - 2/26/22): - \$2,867

YTD shortage/surplus as of Jan. 31: - \$25,145 (Budget year July 2021 – June 2022)



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