

**CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH**

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Faith Lutheran Church**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Third Sunday in Lent**

**March 3, 2013**

**Welcome in Jesus' name.** Please consider using the prelude as a time for meditation and silent prayer. This is the ideal time for quiet preparation, as we come to worship God. Holy Communion is celebrated today. All who are baptized into Christ Jesus are invited forward to receive Holy Communion. Those not communing may come forward to receive a blessing.

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

**HOLY COMMUNION**

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 3, page 138*

(\* Please stand if you are able)

**INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**\*GATHERING SONG:** *For by Grace You Have Been Saved* – Hymn 598

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your word and obey it, and bring your saving love to fruition in our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**CHILDREN'S SERMON** – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

## WORD

### **First Reading: Isaiah 55:1—9**

L: A reading from Isaiah.

Ho, everyone who thirsts,

come to the waters;

and you that have no money,

come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk

without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,

and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,

and delight yourselves in rich food.

Incline your ear, and come to me;

listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,

my steadfast, sure love for David.

See, I made him a witness to the peoples,

a leader and commander for the peoples.

See, you shall call nations that you do not know,

and nations that do not know you shall run to you,

because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found,

call upon him while he is near;

let the wicked forsake their way,

and the unrighteous their thoughts;

let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them,

and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts,

nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.

For as the heavens are higher than the earth,

so are my ways higher than your ways

and my thoughts than your thoughts.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 3:1—8** (*To be read responsively by whole verse*)

O God, you are my God, I seek you,  
my soul thirsts for you;  
my flesh faints for you,  
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

**So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,  
beholding your power and glory.**

Because your steadfast love is better than life,  
my lips will praise you.

**So I will bless you as long as I live;  
I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,  
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips  
**when I think of you on my bed,  
and meditate on you in the watches of the night;**  
for you have been my help,  
and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.

**My soul clings to you;  
your right hand upholds me.**

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1—13**

L: A reading from 1 Corinthians.

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will

not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

\* **♩ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Return to the Lord..."** – page 142

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel: Luke 13:1—9**

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did."

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON** – Reverend Paul Ostrem, Assistant to the Bishop  
*Silence for reflection*

\***HYMN OF THE DAY: *Day by Day*** – Hymn 790

\***CONFESSION OF FAITH – NICENE CREED**

P: Using the words of the Nicene Creed let us confess our holy faith:

C: **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 truly man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again from the dead  
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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic 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

#### **\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*(Each petition ends with P: Hear us, O God.*

**C: Your mercy is great.)**

#### **\*PEACE**

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:** And also with you.

## MEAL

### OFFERING

#### PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

#### \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

**C: God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#### \*GREAT THANKSGIVING - page 144

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.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

♪ **C: "Holy, holy, holy Lord,..."** - page 144

#### \*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### \*LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**C: 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.**

#### COMMUNION

♪ "*Lamb of God...*" – page 146

#### Hymns Sung During Distribution:

Hymn 525: *You Are Holy* (sung twice)

Hymn 453: *Baptized and Set Free*

Hymn 856: *How Great Thou Art*

Hymn 636: *How Small Our Span of Life*

## **\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

O God, in this holy meal you have embraced us and gathered us into your arms of compassion and protection. Release us now to go on our way in these forty days, ready to see our work as prayer, ready to fast from complacency, and ready to share with those in need; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen**

## **SENDING**

### **\*BLESSING**

P: God our Father bless you and shield you.

Christ our Mother shelter you and carry you.

God the Holy Spirit guide your journey both now and forever.

**C: Amen**

**\*SENDING SONG: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* – Hymn 858**

### **\*DISMISSAL:**

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Ringling of the Bell

Postlude

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**Holy Communion is celebrated today.** All who are baptized into Christ Jesus are invited forward to receive Holy Communion. Those not communing may come forward to receive a blessing. Communion will be continuous. Please proceed forward at the direction of the ushers. White grape juice is available during Holy Communion. Please indicate to the Assisting Minister if this is your preference.

This morning, **Assistant to the Bishop, Reverend Paul Ostrem**, is here and will be preaching. Welcome, Reverend Ostrem.

**Welcome to our guests and visitors.** We are glad to have you worship with us this morning. Thank you for worshipping with us and please come back and worship with us again.

There is a **"cry room"** available in the back of each church, if you would like to make use of these accommodations.

**Organist:** Our Savior's: Linda Whitman  
Faith: Jason Boussetot

**Altar Ministry:** Faith: Lonnie and Diane Sievers

**Greeter:** Faith: Sharyl Banowetz

**Acolyte:** Our Savior's: Maia Glover  
Faith: Madison Eschbach (CA), Garrett Condon

**Lectors:** Our Savior's: Jason Boussetot  
Faith: Lucy Lee-Petersen

**Communion Assistant:**  
Our Savior's: Peter Whitman  
Faith: Yale Christensen

**Ushers:** Our Savior's: Paul Olson, Ole Olson,  
Shane Glover, Dave Whitman  
Faith: Yale Christensen, Nolan Christensen,  
Adam Wilhelm, Mike Tendall

**Cleaners:** Our Savior's: Leonard and Nancy Olson  
Ole and Diana Olson  
Jeremy and Sarah Koch

**Those to keep in prayer this week:** For the family of Lenora, Robert and Denise Olson on the death of Lenora's sister, Shirley Marshall; For all those who are ill: DeeAnn Cheney, Candice Ogden (friend of Diane Christensen) Richard Johnson (Diane Sievers' dad), Claire Wallace, Julie Coopman, Nancy Schebler, Tom Wright, Caleb May, Josie Watham, Alex Luedtke, Nancy Ramige, Signe Rock, Myrtle Koslofsky, Florence Petersen, Evelyn Stueland and Myrna Kay Petersen; For Austin Miller (Diane Christensen's nephew serving in Afghanistan), Kayla Dohrmann, Christopher Holmes, Jeremy Koch, Brian Holmes and all others serving in the military.

**There are Sunday School classes and an Adult Class meeting at 9:25 a.m. at Faith Church.** There is a class for everyone 3 years and older. Please join us.

**Midweek Lenten Meals:** Sign-up sheets for preparing the meals are posted in both churches. Please sign your name and phone number under the date that you will be able to help. Thank you!

## Midweek Lenten Worship Schedule



**March 6, 13, & 20 – 7:00 p.m. – Faith Church**

*(These worship services will be preceded by a 6:00 p.m. served meal)*

**Choir meets Wednesday at Our Savior's following the Midweek Lenten Service.**

**Congregations Together In Mission** is being held at First Lutheran in Cedar Rapids from 8:30—3:30 this Saturday, March 9.

The **Dave Petersen Benefit** begins at 11:00, Saturday, March 9 at the Wheatland Community Hall.

**This Week At A Glance**

Today	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/Adult Class at Faith
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
Wednesday	6:00 p.m. -	Midweek Lenten Meal – Our Savior's
	7:00 p.m. -	Midweek Lenten Worship – Our Savior's
Sunday	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/Adult Class at Faith
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church

**Our Savior's:**

Worship Attendance, February 24 .....	59
Midweek Lenten Worship, February 27 .....	73

**Faith:**

Worship Attendance, February 24.....	85
Offering, Sunday, February 24 .....	\$1,829.36
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget .....	\$1,808.00

Sunday School Attendance, February 24 .....	29
Adult Class Attendance, February 24 .....	17

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**Calamus Lutheran Parish**

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## Parish Photo Directory

The Calamus Lutheran Parish has been blessed with a growing and active membership. In order to provide all members with a means of identifying and contacting each other, Faith and Our Savior's Churches are preparing to update the Parish Directory. You may choose one of three options for including your photo in the directory.

- 1. Send a photo and Contact Information to Dan Burke at [dburke@gmtel.net](mailto:dburke@gmtel.net).** By providing a photo and sharing your contact information, you are allowing the Parish to include the photo and contact information in the Parish directory and Parish website. Please only submit photos to which you have the copyright and are allowed to freely reproduce.
- 2. Place a photo and Contact Information in the basket near the Ushers' table at either church.** By providing a photo and sharing your contact information, you are allowing the Parish to include the photo and contact information in the Parish directory and Parish website. Please only submit photos to which you have the copyright and are allowed to freely reproduce.
- 3. Reserve a time for a photo session by writing your name on the Reserve a Photo Session sheet on the clipboard near the Ushers' table at the respective church. Choose one of these dates.**
  - **Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**
  - **Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Contact Information includes the following.

Name of Family	Mailing Address	Main Phone Number
Names of people in photo	Email Address	

If you have any questions, please contact one of these committee members.

Jason Boussetot	Dan Burke	Shane Glover	Terri Boussetot
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