CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church 8:00 a.m. Faith Lutheran Church 10:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 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, Setting3, page 138 (* Please stand if you are able)

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who brings us safely through the sea, who gives us water from the rock, who leads us into the land of milk and honey.
- C: Amen.
- P: Merciful Father,
- C: we have sinned against heaven and before you. We do not fully live as your sons and daughters. We use your gifts to our own ends. Forgive us and restore us, that we may resist all that draws us away from you, and be at peace with one another. Amen.
- P: We are reconciled to God through Christ; for his sake, God does not count our trespasses against us. Once dead in sin, we are now alive to God. Once lost, we now are found. God clothes you in the finest robe of all, the righteousness of Jesus Christ, forgiving you all your sins and making of you a new creation.
- C: Amen.

*GATHERING SONG: Be Thou My Vision – Hymn 793

*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 - "Lord, have mercy..." - Page 138

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lies and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann – Noisy Offering

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16—21

L: A reading from Isaiah. Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me. the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert.

to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

L: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126 (*To be read responsively by whole verse*) When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

The LORD has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.

Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses in the Negeb.

May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

Second Reading: Philippians 3:4b—14

L: A reading from Philippians.

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming

like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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 John, the twelfth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 12:1—8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.

But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

Silence for reflection

*HYMN OF THE DAY: Canticle of the Turning – Hymn 723

*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:

戊 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 856: How Great Thou Art

Hymn 471: Let Us Break Bread Together Hymn 525: You Are Holy (sung twice) Hymn 453: Baptized and Set Free

*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: O Christ the Same (See insert)

*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ringing 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 served by tables. 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.

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.

Organist: Jason Bousselot

Altar Ministry: Faith: Lonnie and Diane Sievers

Greeter: Faith: Annette Braet **Acolyte:** Our Savior's: Maia Glover

Faith: Madison Eschbach (CA), Garrett Condon

Lectors: Our Savior's: Deb Detlefs

Faith: Julie Gronewold

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 all those who are ill: Arlene Green, 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 is a "cry room" available in the back of each church, if you would like to make use of these accommodations.

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.

The **Noisy Offering** will be collected this morning.

The Calamus Lutheran Parish helps serve the CALCO brunch this morning. Faith members will serve from 7:30—10:00 and Our Savior's members from 10:00 through closing.

April newsletter items are due this Monday, April 18.

Lydia Circle meets Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. at Kay Olson's. Sharon Bousselot is the Bible Study leader.

Midweek Lenten Worship will be at Faith Church at 7:00 p.m. March 20. A 6:00 p.m. meal will be served.

Choir meets Wednesday at Faith following the Midweek Lenten Service.

Our Savior's Clean Up Day starts at 9:00 a.m. this Saturday, March 23. Rain date is March 30.

The **Seder Meal** will be served at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 27 at Our Savior's. If you plan to attend, please register on the sign-up sheets posted in both congregations.

Holy Week Schedule

Wednesday, March 27, 7:00 p.m. – Seder Meal at Our Savior's Church (If you would like to do some reading to prepare for the Seder Meal, please read Exodus 7—12)

March 29, 7:00 p.m. – Good Friday Worship at Faith Church March 31, 6:30 a.m. – Easter Worship Service at Our Savior's Church 7:30 a.m. – Breakfast/Easter Egg Hunt at Our Savior's

9:30 a.m. - Easter Worship at Faith Church

March 28, 7:00 p.m. – Maundy Thursday Worship at Our Savior's

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will present a workshop entitled "Charitable Giving: How to make a difference by giving back" on Wednesday, March 27 from noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Thrivent Office, 908 – 6th Avenue, DeWitt. Presenters are Gaylon Heetland, Casey Walker, and Michele Traver. Lunch is provided. RSVP: 563-659-2991

This Week At A Glance

Today Wednesday	8:00 a.m 9:25 a.m 10:30 a.m 2:00 p.m 6:00 a.m	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church Sunday School/Adult Class at Faith Worship Service at Faith Church Lydia Circle at Kay Olson's Midweek Lenten Meal – Faith Church	
Saturday Sunday	7:00 p.m 7:45 p.m 9:00 a.m 8:00 a.m 9:25 a.m 10:30 a.m	Midweek Lenten Worship – Faith Church Choir Rehearsal at Faith Church Clean Up Day at Our Savior's Worship Service at Our Savior's Church Sunday School/Adult Class at Faith Worship Service at Faith Church	
Our Savior's: Worship Attendance, March 10			
Faith: Worship Attendance, March 10			
Sunday School Attendance, March 1033Adult Class Attendance, March 1016			

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Parish Photo Directory

Faith and Our Savior's Churches are preparing to update the Parish Directory. You may choose one of two options for including your photo in the directory. Please submit photos by March 31.

- 1. Send a photo and Contact Information to Dan Burke at 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.

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 Bousselot Dan Burke Shane Glover Terri Bousselot