

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Faith Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

10:30 a.m.

Time after Pentecost

November 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

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

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(* Please stand if you are able)

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: In the name of God the Father of glory;
in the name of God the Son, our Redeemer;
in the name of God the holy and life-giving Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: The Sun of righteousness shall rise with shining beams of healing. Let us gather under the wings of God's mercy.
Gracious God,

C: we acknowledge that we are sinners and we confess our sins—those known to us that burden our hearts, and those unknown to us but seen by you. We know that before you nothing remains hidden, and in you everything is revealed. Free us from the slavery of sin; liberate us from the bondage of guilt; and work in us that which is pleasing in your sight; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

P: With a heart full of mercy and compassion, God saves us and forgives us all our sins. Christ, the dawn from on high, shines upon us and by the light of the Holy Spirit guides our feet into the way of peace.

C: Amen.

***GATHERING SONG: *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* – Hymn 270**

***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.

***HYMN OF PRAISE – "*This is the feast...*" – Page 140**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

CHOIR: "Seek Ye First" – Karen Lafferty and Douglas E. Wagner

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

WORD

First Reading: Malachi 4:1—2a

L: A reading from Malachi.

" See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 98 (*To be read responsively by whole verse*)

O sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvelous things.
His right hand and his holy arm
have gotten him victory.

**The LORD has made known his victory;
he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.**

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness
to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen
the victory of our God.

**Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises.**

Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,
with the lyre and the sound of melody.

**With trumpets and the sound of the horn
make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.**

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
the world and those who live in it.

**Let the floods clap their hands;
let the hills sing together for joy**

at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming
to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness,
and the peoples with equity.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:6—13

L: A reading from 2 Thessalonians.

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*** ♪ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION – "Alleluia. Lord, to whom..."** page 142

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the twenty-first chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 21:5—19

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

Silence for reflection

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding! - Hymn 246

***CONFESSION OF FAITH – APOSTLES CREED**

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

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(Each petition ends with P: Let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.)

***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: Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were
gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be
gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for
yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. 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*

Hymn 742: *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

Hymn 638: *Blessed Assurance*

Hymn 666: *What Wondrous Love Is This*

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, shepherding God, that you have gathered your scattered flock again this day, feeding us richly with the food of Paradise. Accompany us as we serve you all the days of our lives, and gather us with the saints in the day of our death; through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord.

C: Amen

SENDING

*BLESSING

P: May God who loves us,
who gives us eternal consolation and good hope,
comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word;
and the blessing of almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you forever.

C: Amen

SENDING SONG: *Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending – Hymn 435

*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ring 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.

Organist:	Jason Bousselot
Altar Ministry:	Faith: Larry and Marilyn Schau
Greeter:	Faith: Gary Braet
Acolyte:	Faith: Karragan Whitman (CA), Kale Whitman
	Our Savior's: Maia Glover
Lectors:	Faith: Alan Lee
	Our Savior's: Dan Burke
Communion Assistant:	Faith: Marsha Witte
	Our Savior's: Peter Whitman
Ushers:	Faith: Marilyn Schau, Larry Schau, Diane Wilhelm, Herb Wilhelm
	Our Savior's: David Olson, David Whitman
Cleaners:	Our Savior's: Barb Flynn, Bill Morehead

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 to worship with us again.

Those to keep in prayer this week: For Cathy Goddard, Susan Marty, Barbara Dannatt, Skye Doerscher, Kristi Reed, Candice Ogden, Claire Wallace, Julie Coopman, Nancy Schebler, Tom Wright, Caleb May, Josie Watham, Alex Luedtke, Nancy Ramige, Audrey Witte, Signe Rock, Myrtle Koslofsky, Florence Petersen, Evelyn Stueland and Myrna Kay Petersen; For Austin Miller, Christopher Holmes, Jeremy Koch, Brian Holmes and all others serving in the military.

There is a Sunday School Class and an Adult Class for all those from three years of age and above. Please join us at 9:25 a.m. at Our Savior's Church.

This is the last Sunday for our “Treat the Pantries” offerings. Make your check payable to your congregation designated for “Treat the Pantries” and place it in the offering plate at Our Savior’s Church or in the container in the narthex at Faith Church. All monetary donations are due today. The West Clinton County Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans is sponsoring this Care Abounds in Communities project in the eleven congregations of the chapter. Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will add \$1,600 to the amount collected. The money will be divided amongst the four food pantries serving the area: DeWitt, Elvira, Lost Nation and Wheatland.

Thank you for your support of “Treat the Pantries,” a project that has provided funds to the area food pantries since 1983.

Luther League meets tonight at 6:30 p.m. at Faith Church.

Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m. today at St. Joseph's, DeWitt.

Lydia Circle meets on Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. at Kay Olson's with Sharon Bousselot leading the Bible study.

All 7-12 graders are invited to the weekly Luther League Lounge to be held Wednesday nights at 5:30 at Faith Church.

Confirmation classes for 7-8th graders Wednesday at 6:30 at Faith Church. Confirmation students are welcome to attend Luther League for an hour before class.

Choir Rehearsal begins at 7:00 p.m. on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21 at Faith Church.

Women's Fellowship/Bible Study: If you are a woman of the Calamus Lutheran Parish not already involved in either Lydia or Naomi Bible Study circles, maybe this is something for you! Weekly studies Bible, book, various faith topics, etc.) to be held **Wednesday evenings at 7:30 at Faith Church.**

**A Church Choir Festival
Sunday, November 24, 2013 ~ 7:00 Pm
St. Joseph Church
417- 6th Avenue ~ DeWitt, Iowa**

The DeWitt Area Fine Arts Foundation presents an evening of Christian music. No admission fee will be charged for the event. There will be a free-will offering designated for the Referral and Services Center in DeWitt. The music will be performed by the chancel choirs from First Congregational United Church of Christ, Grace Lutheran Church, St. Joseph Catholic Church and the United Methodist Church, all of Dewitt; Immanuel Lutheran Church of Grand Mound and Faith and Our Savior's Lutheran Churches of Calamus. Bella Canta, a women's choral group, will also sing at the festival. Join the choirs in praising God: God beyond name and form, God known in Jesus Christ, and God present in the Holy Spirit. Following the concert, refreshments will be served in Harness Hall.

**Thanksgiving bags will be distributed this morning and on November 24. These bags may be used to bring your offering of canned goods, dry goods and paper products on Thanksgiving Eve.
Thank you for your generosity**

THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP

November 27 - Faith Church 7:00 p.m.

*(There is no monetary offering - only paper and dry goods for the
Carroll Assistance Center, Wheatland)*

Prepared Meal Served at 6:00 p.m.

The meal is free and sponsored by Thrivent Financial.

Come, Eat! Enjoy the Fellowship! Bring a Friend!

Sunday School Children's Christmas Program, "The Gift of Jesus,"
will be presented at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, December 15, at Our Savior's.
Rehearsals for the program will take place on Sunday mornings during
the Sunday School hour. **It is important to have as many children as
possible at every rehearsal.**

This Week At A Glance

Today	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/Adult Class at OS
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's
	6:30 p.m. -	Luther League at Faith church
	7:00 p.m. -	Choir Rehearsal at St. Joseph's, DeWitt
Wednesday	2:00 p.m. -	Lydia Circle at Kay Olson's
	5:30 p.m. -	Luther League Lounge at Faith Church
	6:30 p.m. -	Confirmation Class at Faith
	7:30 p.m. -	Women's Bible Study at Faith Church
Thursday	7:00 p.m. -	Choir Rehearsal at Faith Church
	7:30 p.m. -	Joint Council at Faith Church
Sunday	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/Adult Class at OS
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's
	7:00 p.m. -	Church Choir Festival at St. Joseph's

Our Savior's:

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Offering, Sunday, November 10	\$5,081.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget	\$1,808.00

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