

**CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH**

**Faith Lutheran Church**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Seventh Sunday after Epiphany**

**February 23, 2014**

**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**

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 3, page 138*

(\* Please stand if you are able)

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Holy and faithful God,

**C: we so often choose our own way instead of yours. We think we can evade your commandments. We have spoken in ways that kill, strayed with our hearts, betrayed friends, and hated enemies. We have broken our promises. Search us deeply and create us anew. Lift the heavy burden of our sin and free us to follow your way of life. Amen.**

P: "Call upon me," says the Lord, "and I will answer." Our God has come among us to loose every bond and set us free from all that weighs us down. Receive the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Savior.

**C: Amen.**

**\*GATHERING SONG: *As We Gather at Your Table* – Hymn 522**

## **\*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: Holy God of compassion, you invite us into your way of forgiveness and peace. Lead us to love our enemies, and transform our words and deed to be like his through whom we pray, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

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

## **WORD**

**First Reading: Leviticus 19:1—2, 9—18**

L: A reading from Leviticus.

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying:

Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.

When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very edges of your field, or gather the gleanings of your harvest. You shall not strip your vineyard bare, or gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the alien: I am the LORD your God.

You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; and you shall not lie to one another. And you shall not swear falsely by my name, profaning the name of your God: I am the LORD.

You shall not defraud your neighbor; you shall not steal; and you shall not keep for yourself the wages of a laborer until morning. You shall not revile the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind; you shall fear your God: I am the LORD.

You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 119:33—40** (*To be read responsively*)

Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes,  
and I will observe it to the end.

**Give me understanding, that I may keep your law  
and observe it with my whole heart.**

Lead me in the path of your commandments,  
for I delight in it.

**Turn my heart to your decrees,  
and not to selfish gain.**

Turn my eyes from looking at vanities;  
give me life in your ways.

**Confirm to your servant your promise,  
which is for those who fear you.**

Turn away the disgrace that I dread,  
for your ordinances are good.

**See, I have longed for your precepts;  
in your righteousness give me life.**

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:10—11, 16—23**

L: A reading from 1 Corinthians.

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become fools so that you may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written,

"He catches the wise in their craftiness,"

and again,

"The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise,  
that they are futile."

So let no one boast about human leaders. For all things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future--all belong to you, and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

\*  **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** "*Alleluia...*" – page 142

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the fifth chapter.

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

**Gospel: Matthew 5:38—48**

"You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you.

"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.'

But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same?

Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**SERMON** – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

*Silence for reflection*

\***HYMN OF THE DAY:** *The Church's One Foundation* – Hymn 654

\***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: Lord, in your mercy,  
C: hear our prayer.)*

**\*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 of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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 453: *Baptized and Set Free***

**Hymn 802: *Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus***

**Hymn 502: *The King of Love My Shepherd Is***

### **\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

Lord, it is good for us to be here, for we have tasted your glory in this holy meal. Continue your goodness as we go out from here. Open our eyes to see your face shining in every person, for you are the life and light of all, both now and forever.

**C: Amen**

## **SENDING**

### **\*BLESSING**

P: May the God of glory dwell in you richly,  
name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path;  
and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

**C: Amen.**

**\*SENDING SONG: *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*** – Hymn 631

**\*DISMISSAL:**

P: Go in peace. Christ is your light.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Ring of the Bell

Postlude

Alternate Worship Texts: *Sundays & Seasons*, copyright ©2014 Augsburg Fortress

<b>Pianist:</b>	Faith:	Rachel Bousselot
<b>Organist:</b>	Our Savior's:	Jason Bousselot
<b>Altar Ministry:</b>	Faith:	Larry and Marilyn Schau
<b>Greeter:</b>	Faith:	Shirley Ferguson
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Faith:	Josh Gronewold (CA), Noah Mullin
	Our Savior's:	Riley Bruns
<b>Lector:</b>	Faith:	Robin Costello-Smith
	Our Savior's:	Brian Bousselot
<b>Communion Assistant:</b>	Faith:	Brian Tulley
	Our Savior's:	Deb Detlefs
<b>Ushers:</b>	Faith:	Marilyn Schau, Larry Schau, Diane Wilhelm, Herb Wilhelm
	Our Savior's:	Mark Olson, Dave Whitman, Dave Olson
<b>Cleaners:</b>	Our Savior's:	Tom and Judy Olson Ray and Deb Detlefs

**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.

**Welcome to our guests and visitors.** We are happy to have you worship with us this morning. 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 the accommodations.

**Those to keep in prayer this week:** For Tootie Steines, Kent Anderson, Cathy Goddard, Susan Marty, Barbara Dannatt, 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 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.

**Parish Bowling Binge Today!**

Bring a snack and a friend to our annual bowling  
binge.

Meet us at DeWitt Bowling Lanes from 1:00-3:30  
p.m.

**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 7-8<sup>th</sup> graders Wednesday at 6:30 at Faith Church.** Confirmation students are welcome to attend Luther League Lounge for an hour before class.

**Women's Fellowship/Bible Study:** Weekly studies Bible, book, various faith topics, etc.) to be held **Wednesday evenings at 7:30 at Faith Church.**

The monthly **Luther League Meeting** will be held in the kitchen at 9:25 a.m. during the Sunday School hour next Sunday at Our Savior's Church

The **Luther League** will hold a bake sale next Sunday. **If anyone from the congregation would like to donate some baked items to sell, it would really be appreciated.** Just bring the items to church with you on Sunday morning. Thank you!

**Ash Wednesday Worship**

**March 5 - 7:00 p.m.**

**Faith Lutheran Church**

*There is no meal served on Ash Wednesday*

**See “Jerusalem” at the Putnam Museum’s National Geographic Giant Screen Theater in Davenport** before it closes on March 20. It is a 45-minute documentary on current Jerusalem seen through the eyes of three young women of different faiths. You are invited to join a group from the United Church of Christ in DeWitt going to see the movie on Wednesday, February 26. They are attending the 3:00 show. Cost is only \$6.50. Call Marsha Witte at 659-5520 to make a reservation.

**This Week At A Glance**

Today	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
	9:25 am. -	SS/AC at Our Savior's Church
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	1:00-3:30 -	Bowling at DeWitt Lanes
Wednesday	5:30 p.m. -	Luther League Lounge at Faith Church
	6:30 p.m. -	Confirmation Class at Faith Church
	7:30 p.m. -	Women's Bible Study at Faith Church
Sunday	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
	9:25 a.m. -	SS/AC/LL at Our Savior's Church
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church

**Our Savior’s:**

Worship Attendance, February 16 .....	67
<b>Faith:</b> Worship Attendance, February 16.....	71
Offering, Sunday, February 16 .....	\$1,419.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget .....	\$1,976.00
Sunday School Attendance, February 16.....	31
Adult Class Attendance, February 16 .....	21

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