### **CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH**

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

#### Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

**February 1, 2015** 

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)

#### **GATHERING**

#### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who spoke light into creation, who calls us to listen and follow, who sends us to shine like stars.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us come before God, confessing our sin. Silence for reflection and self-examination
- P: Holy and merciful God,
- C: we confess that we have sinned against our sisters and brothers and against you. We cherish the values of this world. We cause others to stumble. The earth is wounded by our excess. Have mercy, O God. Forgive us, renew us, and raise us up on eagles' wings, that we may do your will with courage and delight. Amen.
- P: Hear the voice from heaven: "You are my own, my beloved." God gives power to the weary and strengthens the powerless. Be cleansed, be healed, for in the name of Jesus Christ, I declare to you the forgiveness of your sins and the revealing of God's reign.
- C: Amen.

\*GATHERING SONG: Chief of Sinners Though I Be - Hymn 609

#### \*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** − P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. – pages 138-139

C: "Lord, have mercy."

**\* □ 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: Compassionate God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring wholeness to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation will see and know your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

#### **WORD**

## First Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15—20

L: A reading from Deuteronomy.

The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the LORD replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak--that prophet shall die."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

### **Psalm 111** (To be read responsively)

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

## Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

## He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the LORD is gracious and merciful.

He provides food for those who fear him;

he is ever mindful of his covenant.

# He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the heritage of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

# They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.

Holy and awesome is his name.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever.

## Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 8:1—13

L: A reading from 1 Corinthians.

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world really exists," and that "there is no God but one." Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do

not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## \* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Alleluia..." - page 142

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the first chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

### **Gospel: Mark 1:21—28**

They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor David Aanonson

**SERMON** – Pastor David Aanonson *Silence for reflection* 

\*HYMN OF THE DAY: Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer – Hymn 618

#### \*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

\*THE PRAYERS (Each petition ends: 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.

Merciful God,

C: 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 - page 132

P: Holy One, the beginning and the end,... Do, this for the remembrance of me. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

- C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P: With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.
- C: Come, Lord Jesus.
- P: Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.
- C: Come, Holy Spirit.
- P: All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

#### \*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 494: For the Bread Which You Have Broken

Hymn 487: What Feast of Love

#### \*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

Everlasting God, we bless you that you have brought us to the mountaintop and fed us with the life and light of your Son. Send us in his name from this place to bring light into dark corners, healing where lives are torn, and nourishment to every hungry heart, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

#### **SENDING**

#### \*BLESSING

P: God the Father, light-creator; God the Son, Light from Light; and God the Holy Spirit, light-revealer, bless you and give you peace.

C: Amen.

\*SENDING SONG: O Jesus, I Have Promised – Hymn 810

#### \*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

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 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: Our Savior's: Linda Whitman
Pianist: Faith: Rachel Bousselot

Altar Ministry: Faith: Diane and Herb Wilhelm

**Greeter:** Faith: Clara Wilhelm **Acolyte:** Our Savior's: Drake Olson

Faith: Kale Whitman (CA), Karragan Whitman

Lector: Our Savior's: Jason Bousselot

Faith: Jeannene Bousselot

**Communion Assistant:** 

Our Savior's: Dan Burke

Faith:

**Ushers:** Our Savior's: Brian Bousselot, Deb Detlefs

Faith: Marilyn Schau, Larry Schau,

Diane Wilhelm, Herb Wilhelm

Cleaners: Jason and Chad Bousselot

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.

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 Gary Braet, Claire Wallace, Josie Watham, Nancy Ramige, Malinda Malmanger, Signe Rock, Alice Schroeder, Florence Petersen and Myrna Kay Petersen.

There is a Sunday School class for all those three years of age and above. Please join us at 9:25 a.m. at Faith Church.

**Confirmation Class** meets Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at Faith Church.

**2015 Annual Overnight Ski Trip at Sundown** is planned for February 20! Sign-up sheets at both churches; if you are interested please sign up by February 1 – next Sunday. Friends and family are welcome to join the fun: \$42 fro rental/lift pass/lesson. God Squad will cover fees for God Squad Members, with funds raised in 2014 – thank you for all your hard work and support!!!!

Summer lawn care for the Kvindherred Cemetery and Our Savior's church lawn: If you are interested in the lawn care for these two sites, please contact Dan Burke (563-468-8586) or Brian Bousselot 246-2776.

**Sidewalk Snow Removal at Faith Church:** If anyone is interested in providing this service, please contact Brian Tulley 246-2121 or Hal Shelton 847-6221 or call the church office 246-2622.

## **This Week At A Glance**

Today Wednesday Sunday	8:00 a.m 9:25 a.m 10:30 a.m 6:00 p.m 8:00 a.m 9:25 a.m 10:30 a.m	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church Sunday School/AC/God Squad at Faith Worship Service at Faith Church Confirmation Class at Faith Church Worship Service at Our Savior's Church Sunday School/God Squad/Adult Class - F Worship Service at Faith Church	
Our Savior's: Worship Attendance, January 25			
Faith: Worship Attendance, January 2542Offering, Sunday, January 25\$1,423.00Needed Weekly to Meet Budget\$2,066.00			
Sunday School Attendance, January 25			

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## Martin Luther's Small Catechism

Martin Luther wrote the *Small Catechism* as a means by which *the head of the family shall teach* (the Christian faith) *to his*(her) *household*. He began with the Ten Commandments. This he did because, as Law, the Commandments show us our sin and our need for the Gospel.

## **The Eighth Commandment**

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God, and so we should not tell lies about our neighbor, nor betray, slander, or defame him or her, but should apologize for him or her, speak well of him or her, and interpret charitably all that he or she does. (Book of Concord. Theodore G. Tappert, translator. p. 343.)

Prayer: Lord God, Holy and Heavenly Father, we ask that You guard our hearts and our tongues that we do not speak disparaging words against our neighbor. Grant that we seek to understand those who are different from us. May we seek to speak well of our neighbor and interpret in the most charitable way possible all that our neighbor does or says. Grant that we may build up others rather than tear them down. In the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.