

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church

10:30 a.m.

Transfiguration of Our Lord/

Last Sunday after Epiphany

February 15, 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, Setting 3, 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: *Gather Us In* – Hymn 532**

***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: Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

CHOIR: "I Love You, Lord" by Laurie Klein

WORD

First Reading: 2 Kings 2:1—12

L: A reading from 2 Kings.

Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to

the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 50:1—6 (*To be read responsively*)

The mighty one, God the LORD,
speaks and summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
God shines forth.**

Our God comes and does not keep silence,
before him is a devouring fire,
and a mighty tempest all around him.

**He calls to the heavens above
and to the earth, that he may judge his people:**

"Gather to me my faithful ones,
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"

**The heavens declare his righteousness,
for God himself is judge.**

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:3—6

L: A reading from 2 Corinthians.

We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of

God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

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 ninth chapter.

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

Gospel: Mark 9:2—9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Noisy Offering - Dan Burke/Marsha Witte

SERMON – Pastor David Aanonson

Silence for reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY: *O God of Mercy, God of Light* – Hymn 714**

***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 838: *Beautiful Savior*
Hymn 671: *Shine, Jesus Shin*

***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: *You Are Mine* – Hymn 581**

***DISMISSAL:**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

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:	Our Savior's:	Jason Boussetot
Pianist:	Faith:	Rachel Boussetot
Altar Ministry:	Faith:	Diane and Herb Wilhelm
Greeter:	Faith:	Shirley Ferguson

Acolyte: Our Savior's: Drake Olson
 Faith: Karragan Whitman (CA), Kale Whitman

Lector: Our Savior's: Brian Boussetot
 Faith: Shirley Ferguson

Communion Assistant:
 Our Savior's: Dan Burke
 Faith: Ruth Braet

Ushers: Our Savior's: Brian Boussetot, Deb Detlefs
 Faith: Marilyn Schau, Larry Schau,
 Diane Wilhelm, Herb Wilhelm

Cleaners: Jason and Chad Boussetot

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 Vicki Sharp (Julie Gronewold's mother who is undergoing procedures for tongue cancer), 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.

The **Noisy Offering** will be collected this morning. This year our Noisy Offering has been designated for **ELCA World Hunger's Walk for Water**. The goal of this project is to raise \$500,000 for ELCA World Hunger –supported water projects around the world in 2015.

Ash Wednesday Service will be held at Our Savior's at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday. There is no meal preceding the service.

The **March 25 Mid-Week Lenten Worship** will be at Our Savior's. A meal will be served at 6:00 p.m. with worship following at 7:00 p.m.

Naomi Circle will meet at Lois Wessel's at 9:30 a.m. on Friday at Lois Wessels home in DeWitt. Diane Christensen will lead the Bible Study.

Michelle Kanzaki, the vicar at St. John's, Bliedorn two years ago, will be ordained on Monday at 4:00 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2130 Brady Street, Davenport, Iowa. All are invited.

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	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/God Squad/Adult Class - F
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
Wednesday	7:00 p.m. -	Ash Wednesday Worship at Our Savior's
Friday	9:30 a.m. -	Naomi Circle at Lois Wessels
Sunday	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/God Squad/Adult Class - F
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church

Our Savior's:

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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 Ninth Commandment

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

What does this mean? *We should fear and love God, and so we should not seek by craftiness to gain possession of our neighbor's inheritance or home, nor obtain them under pretext of legal right, but be of service and help him or her so that he or she may keep what is his or hers.* (*Book of Concord*. Theodore G. Tappert, translator. p. 343.)

Prayer: Lord God, Holy and Heavenly Father, You graciously give to us all that we need for life and to care for our families. For this, we give You thanks. Grant that we may be satisfied with all that You give to us so that we do not seek to take what belongs to our neighbor and make it ours. Keep us from the sin of envy, so that we may enjoy what You have given us. In the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.