

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Faith Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

10:30 a.m.

Second Sunday in Lent

February 21, 2016

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)

GATHERING

***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: Let us come home to God, confessing our sin.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

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: "Day by Day" – Hymn 790**

***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."

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

God of the covenant, in the mystery of the cross you promise everlasting life to the world. Gather all peoples into your arms, and shelter us with your mercy, that we may rejoice in the life we share in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Genesis 15:1—12, 17—18

L: A reading from Genesis.

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates"

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 27

The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

**When evildoers assail me
to devour my flesh—
my adversaries and foes—
they shall stumble and fall.**

Though an army encamp against me,
my heart shall not fear;
though war rise up against me,
yet I will be confident.

**One thing I asked of the LORD,
that will I seek after:
to live in the house of the LORD
all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of the LORD,
and to inquire in his temple.**

For he will hide me in his shelter
in the day of trouble;
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;
he will set me high on a rock.

**Now my head is lifted up
above my enemies all around me,
and I will offer in his tent
sacrifices with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the LORD.**

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud,
be gracious to me and answer me!

"Come," my heart says, "seek his face!"

Your face, LORD, do I seek.

Do not hide your face from me.

Do not turn your servant away in anger,
you who have been my help.

Do not cast me off, do not forsake me,

O God of my salvation!

**If my father and mother forsake me,
the LORD will take me up.**

Teach me your way, O LORD,

and lead me on a level path

because of my enemies.

**Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries,
for false witnesses have risen against me,
and they are breathing out violence.**

I believe that I shall see the goodness of the LORD
in the land of the living.

**Wait for the LORD;
be strong, and let your heart take courage;
wait for the LORD!**

Second Reading: Philippians 3:17—4:1

L: A reading from Philippians.

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself.

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*** ♪ LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Return to the Lord..." –**

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P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 13:31—35

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON— Pastor William Runaas, Jr. – Noisy Offering

SERMON – Pastor William Runaas, Jr.

Silence for reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY: "My God, How Wonderful Thou Art"** - Hymn
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***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 OF INTERCESSION**

*(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.

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:

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.

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: All who thirst, all who hunger,
come and be filled with the goodness of God.

COMMUNION

♪ "Lamb of God..." – page 146

Hymns Sung During Distribution:

Hymn 623: "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

Hymn 624: "Jesus, Still Lead On"

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

O God, we thank you for gathering and feeding us as a mother hen embraces her young. 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: The blessing of God Almighty,
the wisdom and power of Christ Jesus,
and the light of the Holy Spirit
be among you and remain with you always.

C: Amen

***SENDING SONG: "Blessed Assurance" - Hymn 624**

***DISMISSAL:**

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ring of the Bell

Postlude

Alternate Worship Texts: *Sundays & Seasons*, copyright ©2016 Augsburg Fortress

Pianist:	Faith:	Rachel Boussetlot
Organist:	Our Savior's:	Linda Whitman
Altar Ministry:	Faith:	Herb and Diane Wilhelm
Greeter:	Faith:	Judy McMahon
Acolyte:	Faith:	Karragan Whitman
	Our Savior's:	Drake Olson
Lectors:	Faith:	Andrea Shelton
	Our Savior's:	Cindy Burke
Communion Assistant:		
	Faith:	Sharyl Banowetz
	Our Savior's:	Deb Detlefs
Ushers:	Faith:	Marilyn Schau, Larry Schau, Diane Wilhelm, Herb Wilhelm
	Our Savior's:	Shane Glover, Dan Burke
Cleaners:	Our Savior's:	Dan and Cindy Burke

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. Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are 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. We invite you to return 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 Ron Gasper, Arvella Pewe, Vera St. John, Scott Fisher, Elizabeth Goddard, Katy Petersen, Scott McConnell, Mallory Boussetlot, Tina, Vicki Sharp, Josie Watham, Nancy Ramige, Alice Schroeder, Florence Petersen, Geri Schutt 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 p.m. at Our Savior's Church.

The Noisy Offering will be collected this morning. The councils and committee members have selected ELCA Disaster Response (emphasizing the Syrian refugee crisis) as the Noisy Offering recipient for 2016.

Confirmation Class will be from 6:00—6:30 p.m. Wednesday at Faith.

Midweek Lenten Service will be held at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday at Faith. A 6:00 meal served by the God Squad precedes the service.

Choir Rehearsal follows the 7:00 Lenten Service on Wednesday at Faith.

The congregations will be gathering items for Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits during Lent. The goal is to have enough items to assemble 40 kits. Items needed are bars of soap (4-5 oz.) in original wrapping, bath-size towels (52" x 27", light-weight, dark-colored recommended), toothbrushes (adult size, in original packaging), sturdy combs, and nail clippers. There are baskets at both Faith and Our Savior's for the donations.

This Week At A Glance

Today	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/God Squad/AC at OS
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
Wednesday	6:00 p.m. -	Confirmation class at Faith Church
	6:00 p.m. -	Lenten Meal at Faith Church
	7:00 p.m. -	Midweek Lenten Worship at Faith Church
	7:45 p.m. -	Choir Rehearsal at Faith Church
Sunday	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church, followed
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/God Squad/AC at OS
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church

Faith:

Worship Attendance, February 14	31
Offering, Sunday, February 14	\$964.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget	\$2,182.00
Midweek Lenten Attendance, February 17	38

Our Savior's:

Worship Attendance, February 14	38
Sunday School Attendance, February 14	10
God Squad Attendance, February 14	4
Adult Class Attendance, February 14	10

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