

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Faith Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

10:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 13, 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

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 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: "Christ, the Life of All the Living" – Hymn 339**

***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.

Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through 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.

CHOIR: "And I Did Nothing" by Herb Frombach and David Lantz

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16—21

L: A reading from Isaiah.

Thus says the LORD,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,
who brings out chariot and horse,
army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
Do not remember the former things,
or consider the things of old.
I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.
The wild animals will honor me,
the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness,

rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
the people whom I formed for myself
so that they might declare my praise.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126 (*To be read responsively by whole verse*)

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dream.

**Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy;
then it was said among the nations,
"The LORD has done great things for them."**

The LORD has done great things for us,
and we rejoiced.

**Restore our fortunes, O LORD,
like the watercourses in the Negeb.**

May those who sow in tears
reap with shouts of joy.

**Those who go out weeping,
bearing the seed for sowing,
shall come home with shouts of joy,
carrying their sheaves.**

Second Reading: Philippians 3:4b—14

L: A reading from Philippians.

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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 John, the twelfth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 12:1—8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON– Pastor William Runaas, Jr.

SERMON – Bishop Michael Burk

Silence for reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"** –
Hymn 803

***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.

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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 481: "Come to the Table"

Hymn 494: "For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

***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: "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed" – Hymn 337**

*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ringling of the Bell

Postlude

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Pianist: Faith: Rachel Boussetot

Organist: Our Savior's: Linda Whitman

Altar Ministry: Faith: Lonny and Diane Sievers

Greeter: Faith: Colette Christensen

Acolyte: Faith: Andrew Grau

Our Savior's: Riley Bruns

Lectors: Faith: Colette Christensen

Our Savior's: Jason Boussetot

Communion Assistant:

Faith: Yale Christensen/Colette Christensen

Our Savior's: Dan Burke

Ushers: Faith: Yale Christensen, Dick Johnson, Adam
Wilhelm, Colette Christensen, Makenna
Christensen

Our Savior's: Art Boussetot, Mark Olson

Cleaners: Our Savior's: David Olson

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 welcome Bishop Burk this morning at Faith Church and all others worshipping with Faith and Our Savior's this morning. We are happy to have you worship with us this morning and 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 Boussetot, Tina, Vicki Sharp, Josie Watham, Nancy Ramige, Bob Barnard, Junior Homrighausen, 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.

Lydia Circle meets at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday in the home of Kay Olson with Pastor Bill leading the Bible Study.

Confirmation Class will be held from 6:00—6:30 p.m. Wednesday at Our Savior's.

Midweek Lenten Service will be held at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday at Our Savior's. A served 6:00 meal precedes the service.

Choir Rehearsal follows the 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service on Wednesday at Our Savior's.

Naomi Circle meets at **10:30 a.m.** Friday at Marsha Witte's with Marsha preparing lunch for the group. Jeannene will lead the Bible Study.

Parish members work at CALCO next Sunday, March 20: Our Savior's members will work from 7:00—10:00 a.m. and Faith will work the second shift from 10:00 a.m. until closing.

Mark your calendar: Cosmic Bowling from 1:30—3:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 20 at DeWitt Bowling Lanes. Bring a snack to share. Everybody welcome!

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 individually wrapped bars of soap (4-5 oz.), bath-size towels (52" x 27", light-weight, dark-colored recommended), individually packaged toothbrushes (adult size, in original packaging), sturdy combs, and nail clippers. There are baskets at both Faith and Our Savior's for the donations.

Thrivent Financial members have until March 31 to direct any remaining 2015 Choice Dollars®. After that date, Choice Dollars® will expire. Please act now!

Habitat for Humanity of Clinton County has begun the process of selecting a partner family for its 2016 build. Persons interested in applying for partnership with Habitat should attend one of the following informational meetings: Tuesday, March 15, 7:00 p.m., St. Joseph's Catholic School, 417 – 6th Avenue, DeWitt or Saturday, March 19, 2:00 p.m., Zion Lutheran Church, 439 – 3rd Ave. So., Clinton. A short presentation will be given and application materials will be available.

Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday – 7:00 p.m. at Faith Church

Good Friday – 7:00 p.m. at Our Savior's Church

Easter

7:00 a.m. Worship at Faith Church

8:00 a.m. Breakfast followed by Easter Egg Hunt at Faith Church

9:30 a.m. Worship at Our Savior's Church

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	2:00 p.m. -	Lydia Circle at Kay Olson's
	6:00 p.m. -	Confirmation class at Our Savior's Church
	6:00 p.m. -	Lenten Meal at Our Savior's Church
	7:00 p.m. -	Midweek Lenten Worship at Our Savior's
Friday	7:45 p.m. -	Choir Rehearsal at Our Savior's Church
	10:30 a.m. -	Naomi Circle at Marsha Witte's
Sunday	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
	1:30-3:00 p.m.	Cosmic Bowling at DeWitt Lanes

Faith:

Worship Attendance, March 6	58
Offering, Sunday, March 6	\$2,638.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget	\$2,182.00

Our Savior's:

Worship Attendance, March 6	26
Midweek Lenten Attendance, March 9	41
Sunday School Attendance, March 6	24
God Squad Attendance, March 6	8
Adult Class Attendance, March 6	16

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