CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

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

Third Sunday in Lent

March 19, 2017

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 Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 10, page 203 (* Please stand if you are able)

GATHERING

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

- P: God of heaven and earth, you come in close and make us yours. Equip us by your Sprit to confess our sin, embrace your forgiveness, and seek the way you set before us in your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen
- P: With honesty of heart, let us confess our sin. Silence for reflection and self-examination
- P: Merciful God.
- C: forgive us. Our will is handcuffed to sin, and we cannot break free. We have spoken when we should have kept quiet. We are silent when we should have said something. We acted when we knew better. We were still when we know we should have moved. For the

wrong we have done, for the good we have failed to do, have mercy on us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

P: People of God, look to the Son, given to heal you and set you free, because God loved the world so much. Take hold of life—eternal life!

C: Amen.

GATHERING

*GATHERING SONG: "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" – Hymn 335

*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.

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■ KYRIE – "Have mercy on us, Lord...." – page 203

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your truth 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: "And I Did Nothing" by David Lantz III

WORD

First Readings: Exodus 17: 1-7

L: A reading from Exodus.

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The LORD said to Moses, "Go on

ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 95

O come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it,

and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture,

and the sheep of his hand.

O that today you would listen to his voice!

Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,

when your ancestors tested me,

and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.

For forty years I loathed that generation and said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they do not regard my ways."

Therefore in my anger I swore,

"They shall not enter my rest."

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-11

L: A reading from Romans.

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person--though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

L: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

* J GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "We are turning..." – page 205

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the fourth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 4:5-42

So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks

drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him.

God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him.

Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the

woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

P: The Gospel of the Lord C: Praise to you. O Christ

CHILDREN'S SERMON: Pastor Wm. Runaas, Jr. Noisy Offering

SERMON – Pastor William Runaas, Jr. *Silence for reflection*

(Please remain seated for the singing of the hymn) **HYMN OF THE DAY: ""O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts"** – Hymn 658

*CONFESSION OF FAITH - NICENE CREED

P: Using the words of the Nicene Creed let us confess our holy faith:

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven;

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again from the dead, in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. 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: Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; though Christ our Lord Amen

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

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: 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: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after super, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C: Amen

*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: Return to God with all your heart.

Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

COMMUNION

♬"O Lamb of God..." – page 208

Hymns Sung During Distribution:

Hymn 623 "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" Hymn 777 "Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty"

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; though Christ our Lord

C: Amen.

SENDING

*BLESSING

P: May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed.

The Lord bless you and keep you

The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen

*SENDING SONG: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Hymn 807

*DISMISSAL:

P: Marked with the cross of Christ, go forth to love and 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. Glutenfree 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.

Organist: Our Savior's: Jason Bousselot
Pianist: Faith: Rachel Bousselot
Altar Ministry: Faith: Lonny & Diane Sievers

Greeter: Faith: Lois Wessels

Acolytes: Our Savior's: Hailey Glover, Nora Glover

Faith: Ann Tulley

Lectors: Our Savior's: Amy Glover

Faith: Lois Wessels

Communion Assistant:

Our Savior's: Dan Burke

Faith: Yale Christensen

Ushers: Our Savior's: Art Bousselot, Mark Olson

Faith: Yale Christensen, Adam Wilhelm,

Diane Wilhelm, Herb Wilhelm

Cleaners: Our Savior's: Shane & Amy Glover

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 Ed and Geneva Meadows, Nan Anderson, a woman from this area who is fighting cancer for the second time, Shirley Ferguson, Monique Bachelder, George and Joyce Tulley, Dennis Pewe, Will Wade, Chris Forret, Dan Montgomery, Mary Ann Washburn Stuedemann, Lauren Dudley, Ethan Friedrich, Scott Fisher, Elizabeth Goddard, Scott McConnell, Vicki Sharp; For the homebound: Hazel Richards, Ron Gasper, Alice Schroeder, Geri Schutt, Bob Barnard and Myrna Kay Petersen; and for Brian Holmes, grandson of Clara Wilhelm, who is serving his third deployment to Mosul, Iraq and Emily Olive, daughter of Dave and Tammy Olive, preparing for a 9—11 month deployment to Kuwait.

Sunday School, God Squad and Adult Class meet at Faith Church on Sunday mornings at 9:25 a.m.

"Bad Girls of the Bible" Bible study meets at 2:30 today at Faith Church.

Mid Week Lenten Service begins at 7:00pm at Our Savior's. A 6:00pm meal precedes the meal.

Choir Rehearsal follows mid week Lenten service.

Jeannene is retiring: Come give her a send off during a coffee hour March 26, 2017 in Faith's dining hall at 9:30 am

Let's Go Bowling!



Sunday, March 26 -1:00 - 3:00 p.m. DeWitt Lanes Bring a treat to share! Bring a friend!

Vacation Bible School is May 8,15,22 from 3:30-5. They are looking for volunteers to read stories and provide snacks. Please contact a member of the education committee if you would like to help. Signup sheets will be available at the back of the church starting in April.

First Communion classes will be on Wednesday May 3rd and 10th at 6:30 p.m. at Faith Church. Please contact Pastor or the church office if you would like to go.

Notice of Special Congregational Meeting

A special congregational meeting will be held after worship service on April 2, 2017 for the sole purpose of voting on a change in Section C8.04.01 part B of the Constitution pertaining to Communion Participation.

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If you are wanting to contact Pastor Bill, please use his cell phone number: 319-231-5262. Thank you.

This Week At A Glance

Today Wednesday	8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's Church 9:25 a.m. – Sunday School/GS/AC at Faith Church 2:30 a.m "Bad Girls of the Bible Study" at Faith 6:00p.m. – Midweek Lenten Meal at Faith 7:00 p.m. – Midweek Lenten Worship at Faith	
Sunday:	7:45 p.m Choir Rehearsal at Faith 8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's Church 9:25 a.m. – Sunday School/GS/AC at Faith Church 10:30 a.m. – Worship Service at Faith Church 1:00-3:00- Bowling at Dewitt Lanes	
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