

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Faith Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

10:30 a.m.

Third Sunday in Lent

March 4, 2018

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

Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 3, page 138

GATHERING

** Please stand if you are able.*

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: During the season of Lent we are called to return to the Lord with all our heart. Let us confess our sin and seek reconciliation with God and neighbor.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Merciful God,

C: you sent Jesus Christ to save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We fail in love, neglect justice, and ignore your truth. Have mercy on us and wash away our sin. Create in us clean hearts for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

P: Behold, now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation.

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sin, and bring us to everlasting life.

C: Amen.

***GATHERING SONG: "Jesus Shall Reign" – Hymn 434**

***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.

Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

You may be seated.

WORD

First Reading from Exodus 20:1-17

L: A reading from Exodus 20:1-17

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work--you, your son or your

daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19:1-14

The heavens are telling the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

**Day to day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.**

There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard;

**yet their voice goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.**

In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,
which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

**Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
and its circuit to the end of them;
and nothing is hid from its heat.**

The law of the LORD is perfect,
reviving the soul;

the decrees of the LORD are sure,
making wise the simple;

**the precepts of the LORD are right,
rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear,
enlightening the eyes;**

the fear of the LORD is pure,
enduring forever;
the ordinances of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.

**More to be desired are they than gold,
even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey,
and drippings of the honeycomb.**

Moreover by them is your servant warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.

**But who can detect their errors?
Clear me from hidden faults.**

Keep back your servant also from the insolent;
do not let them have dominion over me.
Then I shall be blameless,
and innocent of great transgression.

**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable to you,
O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.**

Second Reading from 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

L: A reading from 1st Corinthians 1:18-25

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,

and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**Please stand.*

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

– page 142

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

***Gospel: John 2:13-22**

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

You may be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor Bill Runaas

SERMON – Ellen Friedrich - YAGM

Silence for reflection.

You may remain seated for the hymn.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Hymn 803

**Please stand*

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

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

C: 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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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,**

**who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.

Greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace and be seated.

MEAL

OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

**Please stand.*

***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;
through Christ our Lord.**

*** 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 to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, 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: Return to God with all your heart. Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

You may be seated.

COMMUNION

♪ "Lamb of God..." – page 146

Hymns Sung During Distribution:

Hymn 257: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

**Please stand.*

***POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: 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 prayers, the song of grateful hearts; through 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 the favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

***SENDING SONG: "*Lift High the Cross*"– Hymn- 660**

***DISMISSAL:**

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

C: Thanks be to God!

Ringling of the Bell

Postlude

Alternate Worship Texts: *Sundays & Seasons*, copyright ©2018 Augsburg Fortress

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.

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.

There is a "**cry room**" **available** in the back of each church, if you would like to make use of the accommodations.

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

Those to keep in prayer this week: Shirley Emmert, Yogi Braet, Norman Boussetot, Monique Bachelder, Lois Wessels, Ginny Barnard, June Reimers, Andrea Shelton, Nan Anderson, George Tulley, Dennis Pewe, Will Wade, Chris Forret, Lauren Dudley, Scott Fisher, Ethan

Friedrich, Vicki Sharp; For the homebound: Geneva Meadows, Bus
Seastrand, Hazel Richards, Ron Gasper, Geri Schutt, Bob Barnard, and
Myrna Kay Petersen.

Pastor: Rev. William Runaas, Jr.
Pianist: Faith: Rachel Boussetot
Organist: Our Savior's: Linda Whitman
Altar Ministry: Faith: Lonny and Diane Sievers
Greeter: Faith: Yale Christensen
Acolytes: Faith: Isabelle Gentile
Our Savior's: Hailey Glover and Nora Glover
Lectors: Faith: Yale Christensen
Our Savior's: Jason Boussetot
Communion Assistants:
Faith: Yale Christensen
Our Savior's: Dan Burke
Ushers: Faith: Yale Christensen, Hal Shelton,
Pat Grau, Eric Sands
Our Savior's: Art Boussetot, Mark Olson
Cleaners: Our Savior's: Deb and Ray Detlefs

Midweek Lenten Services



Wednesdays - March 7(Potluck), 14(Potluck), 21 (God Squad)

6:00 p.m. Meal at Our Savior's

7:00 p.m. Worship at Our Savior's

Choir Practice after Worship

Newsletter

Please let us know if you want the newsletter link emailed to you, or if you want the newsletter put in your box at church, or mailed to you. We will need to know by March 14. We have placed a postcard in your church mailbox. Please fill it out and return with your name on it, to the church secretary. Or fill in your preference on the sign-up sheet in the back of each church.

Notice of Parish Meeting

Future Pastoral Care

March 4, 2018 2:00 p.m. at Faith Church

All parish members are invited and encouraged to attend and share their opinions about the direction the parish should consider in securing future pastoral care. Specific information is available at each church and will be distributed at the meeting. Pastor Bill will lead this initial discussion. Thank you for attending. The future of our church and parish depends on your participation.

Chili Cook-off

Do you think you make the best chili? Sign up to prove it at the Chili Cook-off on Sunday, March 18, at 4:00 at Faith Church. All are welcome to come and eat. Cost is \$5.00 per person or \$10.00 for a family. The funds raised will be given to the God Squad for those attending the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston.

This Week At A Glance

Week starting March 4

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Faith Church

9:25 a.m. – Sunday School/Adult Class at Our Savior's
 10:30 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
 2:00 p.m. –Special Meeting on Pastoral Care at Faith
 Tuesday 9:00 a.m. – Coffee & Little Jesus at Heather Grau
 Wednesday 6:00 p.m. – Lenten Meal at Faith
 7:00 p.m. – Lent Worship at Faith
 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Faith Church
 9:25 a.m. – Sunday School/Adult Class at Our Savior's
 10:30 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's Church

Faith:

Worship Attendance, February 25, 2018.....55
 Offering, February 25, 2018.....\$
 2.424.00
 Needed weekly to meet budget.....\$ 2,182.00

Our Savior's:

Worship Attendance, February 25, 2018.....33
 Sunday School Attendance, February 25, 2018.....23
 God Squad Attendance, February 25, 2018.....8
 Adult Class Attendance, February 25, 2018.....14

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