

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Faith Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

10:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 18, 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

Choir "He Was Wounded For Our Transgressions" by Eugen Clark
(Our Savior's)

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: "Create in Me a Clean Heart"– Hymn 188**

***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.

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live 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.

You may be seated.

Choir "He Was Wounded For Our Transgressions" by Eugen Clark

WORD

First Reading from Jeremiah 31:31-34

L: A reading from Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt--a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 51:1-12

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.

**Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.**

For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.

**Against you, you alone, have I sinned,
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are justified in your sentence**

and blameless when you pass judgment.

Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.

**You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.**

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

**Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.**

Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.

**Create in me a clean heart,
O God and put a new and right spirit within me.**

Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.

**Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

Second Reading from Hebrews 5:5-10

L: A reading from Hebrews.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest,
but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son, today I have begotten you";

as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever, according to the order of
Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and
supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to
save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent
submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through
what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source

of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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 twelfth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

***Gospel: John 12:20-33**

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.

Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say--'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

You may be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor Bill Runaas

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Silence for reflection.

You may remain seated for the hymn.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "O Jesus, I Have Promise" – Hymn 810

**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. 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 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 338: "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

Hymn 487: "What Feast of Love"

**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 favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

***SENDING SONG: "Go to Dark Gethsemane" – Hymn 347**

***DISMISSAL:**

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

C: Thanks be to God!

Ring of the Bell

Postlude

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: Bruce Aune, Shirley Emmert, Yogi Braet, Norman Bousselot, 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: Jeannene Boussetot
Acolytes: Faith: Isabella Gentile
Our Savior's: Erica Will
Lectors: Faith: Jeannene Boussetot
Our Savior's: Mark Olson
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

Come and enjoy the Chili Cook-off at 4:00 this afternoon at Faith.

Midweek Lenten Services
Wednesday, March 21, at Our Savior's
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6:00 p.m. Meal (God Squad)
7:00 p.m. Worship
Choir Practice after Worship

40 Days of Giving

Special Lenten offerings are being directed to the Southeastern Iowa Synod's *The Water and The Witness*. Naomi Circle is gathering jars of peanut butter for the Carroll Assistance Center in Wheatland.

“Godspell”

The musical “Godspell” will be presented by Countryside Community Theatre at Boll’s Community Center, Princeton. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, March 23 and Saturday, March 24. The final performance is at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 25. Rachel Boussetot is a member of the cast that brings the parables of Jesus Christ to life in song and dance. For ticket information visit www.cctonstage.org or call 563-285-6228.

Calamus Fun Day Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 24, at 1:00 p.m.

Wapsi Oaks Country Club

For ages 0-3, 4-6, 7-9

All are welcome!

EWALU Volunteer Work Weekend

April 27-28, 2018

All are invited to a free weekend at Camp EWALU near Strawberry Point. Join other volunteers, families, and church groups for outdoor activities, fun fellowship, and service projects to prepare camp for the summer season.

Lodging and meals provided free of charge.

Please RSVP to camp@ewalu.org or call 563-933-47

Faith Church is still in need of volunteers to go the they Snyod Conferences in Iowa City. Please call the office if you would like to go.

This Week At A Glance
Week starting March 18

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
 4:00 p.m. – Chili Cook-off at Faith

Wednesday Noon – Lydia Circle at Crossroads in DeWitt
 6:00 p.m. – Lenten Meal at Our Savior's
 7:00 p.m. – Lenten Worship at Our Savior's

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Faith:

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 Offering, March 11, 2018.....\$
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Our Savior's:

Worship Attendance, March 11, 2018.....30
 Sunday School Attendance, March 11, 2018.....18
 God Squad Attendance, March 11, 2018.....N/A
 Adult Class Attendance, March 11, 2018.....12

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