

**CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH**

**Faith Lutheran Church**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

**April 15, 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.*

**P:** Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C:** Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

**\*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P:** Just as God's work of creation never ends, so the gifts received in baptism are renewed every day. Let us give thanks together for the life given in baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for waters of life: for water to bathe in, water to drink, for waters to play in and waters that inspire wonder, for water that gives life to our planet.

**C:** We give you thanks, O God, for the water of life.

P: We give thanks, O God, for the waters of this place: for water from our tap, for rain, and snow, and for our daily water needs.

**C: We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place.**

P: We give thanks for your salvation through water: for delivering Noah and his family through the floodwaters, for leading your people Israel through the sea into freedom, for preserving your prophet Elijah through the time of drought, for guiding your people across the Jordan into a new land, for quenching the Samaritan women's thirst with living water.

**C: We give thanks for your salvation through water.**

P: We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized, and for all who gather here; for godparents and baptismal sponsors, for children and grandchildren, for our brothers and sisters in Christ whom we have never seen but to whom we are bound.

**C: We give thanks for the life of all the baptized.**

P: We give thanks for life in Christ through your Holy Spirit: for our entry into Jesus' death through these waters, for our new birth into a life of freedom and service, for our calling to be your people, sent out for the life of the world.

**C: We give you thanks, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.  
Amen.**

**\*GATHERING SONG:**

**"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"– Hymn 886**

**\*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."**

**\*🎵 HYMN OF PRAISE: "This is the feast..." – page 140**

## **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of 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.*

## **WORD**

### **First Reading: Acts 3:12-19**

L: A reading from Acts.

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer.

Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 4:**

Answer me when I call, O God of my right!

You gave me room when I was in distress.

Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer.

**How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame?**

**How long will you love vain words, and seek after lies?**

But know that the LORD has set apart the faithful for himself;  
the LORD hears when I call to him.

**When you are disturbed, do not sin;**

**ponder it on your beds, and be silent.**

Offer right sacrifices,

and put your trust in the LORD.

**There are many who say, "O that we might see some good!**

**Let the light of your face shine on us, O LORD!"**

You have put gladness in my heart

more than when their grain and wine abound.

**I will both lie down and sleep in peace;**

**for you alone, O LORD, make me lie down in safety.**

**Second reading from 1 John 3:1-7**

L: A reading from 1 John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive

you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*\*Please stand.*

**\* ♪ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Alleluia..." – page 142**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**\* Luke 24:36b-48**

"Peace be with you."

They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you--that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*You may be seated.*

**CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor Bill Runaas -Noisy Offering**

**SERMON – Pastor Bill Runaas**

*Silence for reflection.*

*You may remain seated for the hymn.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY: "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing"**

– Hymn

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*\*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: Be known to us, O Lord in the breaking of the bread, as you  
were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the  
offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world.  
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: Now let us feast this Easter Day on Christ, the bread of Heaven.  
Hallelujah!

*You may be seated.*

### **COMMUNION**

**♪ "Lamb of God..." – page 146**

#### **Hymns Sung During Distribution:**

**Hymn 638: "Blessed Assurance"**

**Hymn 631: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"**

*\*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: Life-giving God,

In the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**SENDING**

**\*BLESSING**

P: May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**\*SENDING SONG: "Now the Day Is Over" – Hymn 570**

**\*DISMISSAL:**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P: You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.  
Go in peace. Share the good news.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

Ring 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. 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.

**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:** Barb Johnson, Chris Morehead, Bruce Aune, Shirley Emmert, Yogi Braet, Norman Boussetot, Monique Bachelder, Lois Wessels, 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.

<b>Pastor:</b>	Rev. William Runaas, Jr.
<b>Pianist:</b> Faith:	Rachel Boussetot
<b>Organist:</b> Our Savior's:	Linda Whitman
<b>Altar Ministry:</b> Faith:	Ruth Braet and Annette Braet
<b>Greeter:</b> Faith:	Keith Steward
<b>Acolytes:</b> Faith:	Ryan Dick
	Our Savior's: Noelle Steines
<b>Lectors:</b> Faith:	Shirley Ferguson
	Our Savior's: Dan Burke
<b>Communion Assistants:</b>	
	Faith: Ruth Braet
	Our Savior's: Brian Boussetot

**Ushers:** Faith: Ruth Braet, Donna Petersen  
Joyce Sands, Ashley Steffens  
Our Savior's: Joe Morehead, Brian Boussetot  
**Cleaners:** Our Savior's: Jason & Chad Boussetot

### **First Communion**

If you would like your child to take part in the First Communion class, please contact the church office at 563-246-2622. The classes will be offered on Tuesday, May 1 and Thursday, May 3 at 6:30 p.m. at Faith. First Communion will be held on Sunday, May 6 at both churches.

### **T-Shirts**

During the month of April, God Squad will be selling "Calamus Lutheran Parish" T-Shirts. Cost is \$10.00 for one or two for \$15.00. Sizes are Youth Med. and Adult Sm. Med. Lg. X-Lg. Proceeds will buy items for the Cal/Wheat School Supply Drive.

Sign up to help at Bible School on the first three Mondays in May. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex at Faith and at the back of the church at Our Savior's.

### **This Week At A Glance**

#### **Week starting April 15**

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
Wednesday	Noon – Lydia Circle at Crossroads Café in DeWitt
Friday	9:30 a.m. – Naomi Circle at Crossroads Café in DeWitt
Sunday	8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Faith Church
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