

**CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH**

**Faith Lutheran Church**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Third Sunday in Lent**

**March 15, 2020**

**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.

Prelude

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

**HOLY COMMUNION**

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 3, page 138*

**GATHERING**

*(\* ) Indicates to please stand as you are able.*

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who is present, who gives life,

who calls into existence the things that do not exist.

**C: Amen.**

P: If you were to keep watch over sins, O Lord, who could stand?

Yet with you is forgiveness and so we confess.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned away from you, knowingly and unknowingly. We have wandered from your resurrection life. We have strayed from your love for all people. Turn us back to you, O God. Give us new hearts and right spirits,**

**that we may find what is pleasing to you and dwell in your house forever. Amen.**

P: Receive good news: God turns to you in love. “I will put my spirit in you, and you shall live,” says our God. All your sin is forgiven in the name of Jesus Christ, who is the free and abounding gift of God’s grace for you.

**C: Amen.**

**\*GATHERING HYMN: “Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways” – ELW 772**

**\*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.

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.**

*You may be seated.*

## **WORD**

**Old Testament Reading: 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. <sup>2</sup> 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?” <sup>3</sup> 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?” <sup>4</sup> So Moses cried out to the LORD, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” <sup>5</sup> 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. <sup>6</sup> 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. <sup>7</sup> 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** (*read responsively*)

O come, let us sing to the LORD;

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

**<sup>2</sup> Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;**

**let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

<sup>3</sup> For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

**<sup>4</sup> In his hand are the depths of the earth;**

**the heights of the mountains are his also.**

<sup>5</sup> The sea is his, for he made it,

and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

**<sup>6</sup> O come, let us worship and bow down,**

**let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!**

<sup>7</sup> 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!

**<sup>8</sup> Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,**

**as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,**

<sup>9</sup> when your ancestors tested me,

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

**<sup>10</sup> For forty years I loathed that generation and said,  
“They are a people whose hearts go astray,  
and they do not regard my ways.”**

<sup>11</sup> Therefore in my anger I swore, “They shall not enter my rest.”

**New Testament 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, <sup>2</sup> 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. <sup>3</sup> And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup> 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.

<sup>6</sup> For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup> But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup> Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup> 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. <sup>11</sup> 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.**

**\*♪ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: “Return to the Lord” – page 142**

P: The Holy Gospel according to John.

**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. <sup>6</sup> Jacob’s well was

there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

<sup>7</sup> A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, “Give me a drink.” <sup>8</sup> (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) <sup>9</sup> 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.) <sup>10</sup> 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.” <sup>11</sup> The woman said to him, “Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? <sup>12</sup> Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?” <sup>13</sup> Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup> 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.” <sup>15</sup> 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.”

<sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come back.” <sup>17</sup> The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; <sup>18</sup> for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!” <sup>19</sup> The woman said to him, “Sir, I see that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup> Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.” <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. <sup>22</sup> You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup> 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. <sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” <sup>25</sup> 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.” <sup>26</sup> Jesus said to her, “I am he, the one who is speaking to you.”

<sup>27</sup> 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?” <sup>28</sup> Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, <sup>29</sup> “Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?” <sup>30</sup> They left the city and were on their way to him.

<sup>31</sup> Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, “Rabbi, eat something.”

<sup>32</sup> But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.” <sup>33</sup> So the disciples said to one another, “Surely no one has brought him something to eat?”

<sup>34</sup> Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. <sup>35</sup> 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. <sup>36</sup> The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. <sup>37</sup> For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ <sup>38</sup> I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor.”

<sup>39</sup> Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I have ever done.” <sup>40</sup> So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. <sup>41</sup> And many more believed because of his word. <sup>42</sup> 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.**

*You may be seated.*

**CHILDREN’S SERMON** – Pastor Roberta (*Noisy Offering for ELCA Disaster Response to U.S. Flooding*)

**SERMON** – Pastor Roberta

*You may remain seated for the hymn.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY: “Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty”**

**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH – APOSTLES’ CREED**

P: Using the words of the Apostles’ Creed, let us confess our faith:

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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.**

**\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*(Each petition ends: P: Hear us, O God.*

**C: Your mercy is great.)**

**\*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**

**\* OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P: Holy and generous host,

**C: you set a table where we feast as friends. Prepare us to witness to your goodness with every gift you have given us to share, that all people may know your peace through Jesus Christ, now and forever. 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....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: God’s love is poured out in Christ for you.

Open yourselves to receive it.

*You may be seated.*

**♪ “O Lamb of God...” – page 146**

**COMMUNION**



*All who are baptized into Christ Jesus are invited forward to receive Holy Communion. Those not communing may come forward to receive a blessing. Please proceed forward at the direction of the ushers. Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available during Holy Communion. Indicate to the Assisting Minister if this is your preference.*

**Hymn Sung During Distribution: “Now We Join in Celebration”**

– ELW 462

**\*POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

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

**C: Amen.**

**\* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P: We thank you, living God, for the body and blood of your Son, which sustains us in the wilderness and the garden alike. As Christ has loved us in this feast, so send us to love Christ in our neighbors. In Jesus’ name we pray.

**C: Amen.**

**SENDING**

**\*BLESSING**

P: Now is the acceptable time. Now is the day of salvation. Holy God, speaking, spoken, and inspiring, bless you, unbind you, and send you in love and in peace.

**C: Amen.**

**\*SENDING HYMN: “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”**

– ELW 843

**\*DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Share the good news.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Ring of the Bell

Postlude

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**Those to keep in prayer this week:** Kim Steffens, Tim Burke, Jim Goddard, Coral Hesse, Velda Holloman, Nan Waldorf, Ray Johnson, Ruth Braet, Dale Jacobs, Ellen Bauer, Glenda Oldaker, Chance Dexter, Darcy Aune, Bruce Aune, Kelly Meyer, Donna Ploog, Joyce McCutcheon, Colleen Clausen Olson, Christian Boussetot, Barb Johnson, June Reimers, George Tulley, Ethan Friedrich, and Vicki Sharp; the homebound: Bus Seastrand, Rusty Porth, Ed Meadows, Oscar Shelton, Norman Boussetot, Hazel Richards, Ron Gasper, Geri Schutt, and Myrna Kay Petersen.

### **Today's Ministers:**

**Pastor:** Rev. Roberta Pierce

**Pianist:** Faith - Rachel Boussetot

**Organist:** Our Savior's - Jason Boussetot or Linda Whitman

**Greeter:** Rebecca Hurt

**Lectors:** Faith - Doreen Henning; Our Savior's - Cindy Burke

### **Ministers next Sunday:**

**Greeter:** Faith - Duane Petersen

**Lectors:** Faith - Alan Lee; Our Savior's - Brian Boussetot

### **Ministers for the month of March:**

**Altar Ministry:** Faith - Lonny and Diane Sievers

**Acolytes:** Faith - Isabella Gentile; Our Savior's - Courtney Knoche

**Communion Assistants:** Faith - Yale Christensen; Our Savior's - Dan Burke

**Ushers:** Faith - Yale Christensen, Pat Grau, Alan Lee, Hal Shelton

Our Savior's - Joe Morehead

**Cleaners:** Our Savior's - Shane and Amy Glover

### **Wednesday Lenten Services**

March 18 at Our Savior's; 6:00 pm Meal, 6:30 pm Worship

March 25 at Our Savior's; 6:00 pm Meal, 6:30 pm Worship

April 1 at Our Savior's; 6:00 pm Meal, 6:30 pm Worship

There will be **Choir Practice** following each Lenten Service.

**Next Sunday the youth will lead worship at 10:30 am at Our Savior's.**

Theme: "Don't Judge a Book by Its Cover."

Sunday School children will sing the Call to Worship.  
**All are invited to lunch following worship.**  
 God Squad will serve sandwiches, sides, and beverages.  
 Free-will donations will support God Squad.

Join the fun! **Escape Room** - God Squad Committee invites JH & HS youth to join in an adventure Friday, April 3, as we work together to pass an Escape Room and celebrate our success with pizza. Call Heather at 563-424-0507 if you have not yet made reservations.

**Feeding the Children:** There is a need for single-serve items; pop-open cans of chicken, tuna, pasta, soup, and snacks to put in the bags that go home with seven Cal/Wheat elementary students every Friday. Call Rebecca Hurt at the church office with questions.

**This Week at A Glance**  
**Week starting March 15**

Sunday	8:00 am – Worship Service at Faith
	9:25 am – Sunday School and Adult Class at Our Savior’s
	10:30 am – Worship Service at Our Savior’s
Wednesday	noon – Lydia Circle at Crossroads Café in DeWitt
	6:00 pm – Meal at Our Savior’s
	6:30 pm – Lenten Worship at Our Savior’s
	Choir Practice following Worship at Our Savior’s
Sunday	8:00 am – Worship Service at Faith
	9:25 am – Sunday School and Adult Class at Our Savior’s
	10:30 am – Youth-led Worship Service at Our Savior’s
	11:30 am – Lunch served by God Squad at Our Savior’s

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\$701.00	
Needed weekly to meet budget.....	\$2,182.00
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**Pastor Roberta’s Hours for March:** Sundays: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Wednesdays: 11:00 am - 7:30 pm

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