

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

First Sunday in Lent

February 21, 2021

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.

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

C: Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" (504)

**1) A mighty fortress is our God,
a sword and shield victorious;
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod
and wins salvation glorious.**

**The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe!
With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.**

**2) No strength of ours can match his might!
We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight,
whom God himself elected.**

**You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.**

**3) Though hordes of devils fill the land
all threatening to devour us,
we tremble not, unmoved we stand;
they cannot overpower us.**

**Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage!
His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail!
One little word subdues him.**

**4) God's Word forever shall abide,
no thanks to foes, who fear it;
for God himself fights by our side
with weapons of the Spirit.**

**Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse,
though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day.
The kingdom's ours forever!**

WORD

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-17

L: A reading from Genesis.

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹“As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰ and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹ I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹² God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³ I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will

remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶ When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” ¹⁷ God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1-10

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

**² O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame;
do not let my enemies exult over me.**

³ Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;
let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

**⁴ Make me to know your ways, O LORD;
teach me your paths.**

⁵ Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

**⁶ Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your
steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

⁷ Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for your goodness' sake, O LORD!

**⁸ Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**

⁹ He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.

**¹⁰ All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and
faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his
decrees.**

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

L: A reading from 1 Peter.

For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹ in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹ And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Mark 1:9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

¹² And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³ He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵ and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON – Pastor Roberta

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HYMN OF THE DAY: “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word” (517)

**1) Lord, keep us steadfast in your word;
curb those who by deceit or sword
would wrest the kingdom from your Son
and bring to naught all he has done.**

**2) Lord Jesus Christ, your power make known,
for you are Lord of lords alone;
defend your holy church, that we
may sing your praise eternally.**

**3) O Comforter of priceless worth,
send peace and unity on earth;
support us in our final strife
and lead us out of death to life.**

CONFESSION OF FAITH – APOSTLES’ CREED

P: Using the words of the Apostles’ Creed, let us confess our holy 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,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and 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.**)

MEAL

OFFERING & NOISY OFFERING

*An offering plate will not be passed.
Please place your offering in the plate at the back of the church.
There is also a container for the Noisy Offering.*

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.**

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 usher.
Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available during Holy Communion.
Indicate to the Assisting Minister if this is your preference.*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

SENDING

SENDING HYMN: “O Lord, throughout These Forty Days” (319)

1) **O Lord, throughout these forty days
you prayed and kept the fast;
inspire repentance for our sin,
and free us from our past.**

2) **You strove with Satan, and you won;
your faithfulness endured;
lend us your nerve, your skill and trust
in God's eternal word.**

3) **Though parched and hungry, yet you prayed
and fixed your mind above;
so teach us to deny ourselves
that we may know God's love.**

4) **Be with us through this season, Lord,
and all our earthly days,
that when the final Easter dawns,
we join in heaven's praise.**

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ringing of the Bell

Postlude

Alternate Worship Texts: *Sundays & Seasons*, copyright ©2021 Augsburg Fortress

Pastor: Rev. Roberta Pierce

Organist: Jason Boussetot or Linda Whitman

Usher: Shane Glover

Acolyte: David Burke

Lector: Marcia Edens; **Next Sunday:** Joe Morehead

Communion Assistant: Deb Detlefs

Cleaners: Marcia Edens and Mark Olson

Those to keep in prayer this week: the residents and staff at Maggie's House, Ole Olson, Betty Schau, Tim Burke, Jim Goddard, Ruth Braet, Barb Johnson, George Tulley, and Vicki Sharp; the homebound: Bus Seastrand, Rusty Porth, Norman Boussetot, Hazel Richards, Ron Gasper, Geri Schutt, Joan Shelton, and Myrna Kay Petersen; and those serving in the military.

Mid-week worship during Lent can be found on the parish website on Wednesdays.

– **40 Days of Lent – 40 Days of Giving – 40 Jars of Peanut Butter** – Jars of peanut butter (creamy or chunky, any size, any brand) are being collected for the Carroll Assistance Center in Wheatland. Please put them on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

This Week At A Glance

Week starting February 21

Today	8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School/Adult Class at Faith 10:30 a.m. – Worship Service at Faith
Wednesday	Lenten Worship online (www.clparish.org) 6:00 p.m. – Confirmation at Faith 7:00 p.m. – Bible Jam for JH and HS youth at Faith
Sunday	8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School/Adult Class at Faith 10:30 a.m. – Worship Service at Faith

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