

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Second Sunday in Lent

February 28, 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: O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake 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.**

GATHERING HYMN: "God Loved the World" (323)

1) **God loved the world so that he gave
his only Son the lost to save,
that all who would in Him believe
should everlasting life receive.**

2) **Christ Jesus is the ground of faith,
who was made flesh and suffered death;
all who confide in Christ alone
are built on this chief cornerstone.**

3) **If you are ill, if death draws near,
this truth your troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus rescues us from death;
that is the firmest ground of faith.**

4) **Be of good cheer, for God's own Son**

**forgives all sins that you have done,
and justified by Jesus' blood,
your baptism grants the highest good.**

**5) All glory to the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To you, O blessed Trinity,
be praise now and eternally!**

WORD

First Reading: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

L: A reading from Genesis.

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ² And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.” ³ Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴ “As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵ No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶ I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷ I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

¹⁵ God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶ I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:23-31

You who fear the LORD, praise him!
All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him;
stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

**24 For he did not despise or abhor
the affliction of the afflicted;
he did not hide his face from me,
but heard when I cried to him.**

²⁵ From you comes my praise in the great congregation;
my vows I will pay before those who fear him.

**26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall praise the LORD.
May your hearts live forever!**

²⁷ All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the LORD;
and all the families of the nations
shall worship before him.

**28 For dominion belongs to the LORD,
and he rules over the nations.**

²⁹ To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
and I shall live for him.

**30 Posterity will serve him;
future generations will be told about the Lord,**

³¹ and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn,
saying that he has done it.

Second Reading: Romans 4:13-25

L: A reading from Romans.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶ For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸ Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” ¹⁹ He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. ²⁰ No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²² Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ²³ Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴ but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵ who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

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 8:31-38

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³² He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

³⁴ He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶ For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷ Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸ Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

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: “The Glory of These Forty Days” (320)

**1) The glory of these forty days
we celebrate with songs of praise;
for Christ, through whom all things were made,
himself has fasted and has prayed.**

**2) Alone and fasting Moses saw
the loving God who gave the law;
and to Elijah, fasting, came
the steeds and chariots of flame.**

**3) So Daniel trained his mystic sight,
delivered from the lions’ might;
and John, the Bridegroom’s friend, became
the herald of Messiah’s name.**

**4) Then grant, O God, that we may, too,
return in fast and prayer to you.
Our spirits strengthen with your grace,
and give us joy to see your face.**

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

*An offering plate will not be passed.
Please place your offering in the plate at the back of the church.*

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: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (803)

- 1) **When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss
and pour contempt on all my pride.**
- 2) **Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the death of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.**

- 3) **See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?**
- 4) **Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.**

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ringing of the Bell

Postlude

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Pastor: Rev. Roberta Pierce

Organist: Jason Boussetot or Linda Whitman

Usher: Shane Glover

Next Month: Joe Morehead

Acolyte: David Burke

Next Month: Faith Will

Lector: Joe Morehead

Next Sunday: Deb Detlefs

Communion Assistant: Deb Detlefs

Next Month: Dan Burke

Cleaners: Marcia Edens and Mark Olson

Next Month: Shane and Amy Glover

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 Bousselot, 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 the jars of peanut butter on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

This Week At A Glance

Week starting February 28

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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