

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 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 of 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, 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.

Gathering Hymn: “Lift High the Cross” 660

(Refrain)

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

- 1. Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,
our King victorious, Christ the Son of God.**
- 2. Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.**
- 3. All newborn servants of the Crucified
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.**
- 4. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As thou hast promised, draw us all to thee.**
- 5. So shall our song of triumph ever be:**

praise to the Crucified for victory!

First Reading: 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. ³² 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. ³³ 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. ³⁴ 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 119:9-16

How can young people keep their way pure?

By guarding it according to your word.

¹⁰ With my whole heart I seek you;

do not let me stray from your commandments.

¹¹ I treasure your word in my heart,
so that I may not sin against you.

¹² Blessed are you, O LORD;

teach me your statutes.

¹³ With my lips I declare
all the ordinances of your mouth.

**¹⁴ I delight in the way of your decrees
as much as in all riches.**

¹⁵ I will meditate on your precepts,

and fix my eyes on your ways.

**16 I will delight in your statutes;
I will not forget your word.**

Second reading 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”;

⁶ as he says also in another place,

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

⁷ 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. ⁸ Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹ and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰ 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.

P: The Holy Gospel according to John.

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. ²¹ They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” ²² Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³ Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴ 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. ²⁵ Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶ Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

²⁷ “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. ²⁸ Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” ²⁹ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” ³⁰ Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹ Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” ³³ 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.

CHILDREN’S SERMON – Pastor Roberta “Noisy Offering”

SERMON – Pastor Roberta

Hymn of the Day: “Beneath the Cross of Jesus” 338

**1 Beneath the cross of Jesus
I long to take my stand;
the shadow of a mighty rock
within a weary land,
a home within a wilderness,
a rest upon the way,
from the burning of the noontide heat
and the burdens of the day.**

**2 Upon the cross of Jesus,
my eye at times can see
the very dying form of one**

**who suffered there for me.
And from my contrite heart, with tears,
two wonders I confess:
the wonder of his glorious love
and my unworthiness.**

**3 I take, O cross, your shadow
for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine
than the sunshine of his face;
content to let the world go by,
to know no gain nor loss,
my sinful self my only shame,
my glory all, the cross.**

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: “Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways” 772

**1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways
to keep his statutes still!**

**Oh, that my God would grant me grace
to know and do his will!**

**2 Order my footsteps by your word
and make my heart sincere;
let sin have no dominion, Lord,
but keep my conscience clear.**

**3 Assist my soul, too apt to stray,
a stricter watch to keep;
and should I e'er forget your way,
restore your wand'ring sheep.**

**4 Make me to walk in your commands,
'tis a delightful road;
nor let my head or heart or hands
offend against my God.**

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: Joe Morehead

Acolyte: Faith Will

Lector: Mark Olson

Communion Assistant: Dan Burke

Cleaners: Amy and Shane Glover

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

Those to keep in prayer this week: the residents and staff at Maggie's House, Ole Olson, Betty Schau, Tim Burke, Jim Goddard, 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.

God Squad is meeting Tuesday afternoon to clean the stage at Faith. They are looking for any used paint you may have to decorate the stage area at Faith. Please contact any God Squad member to let them know if you have paint to donate.

Our Savior's will be having a cleanup day on March 27 at 8:30 am, with a rain date of April 3 at 8:30 am

God Squad - Will be holding an Easter Egg Hunt at Faith on April 4th at 8:30. If you wish to donate candy please have it at Faith by the March 24th.

Bible School – Will be the first four Mondays in May ,3, 10, 17, 24. We are looking for volunteers to help out, if you wish to help there are signup sheets in both churches. And also, in need of Cash assistance to buy individual snacks for the children. Monetary donations and be dropped off in the church office.

– **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 March 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 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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