#### THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

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#### A Christ Caring People Who Gather Around Word and Sacrament, Yoked Together, In Personal Service to Christ in World Wide Missions



A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. And he said to the vinedresser, "Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?" And he answered him, "Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down." *Luke 13:6–9* 



**AS WE GATHER** In our fallen human condition, the experiences of our lives appear to tell us about God's approval or judgment. We sometimes think that people with terrible problems are being punished. When life is easy, we slip into complacency, believing that God will overlook our minor sins. But God in His grace and mercy is always ready to forgive, if we will but repent. He proclaimed His invitation to repent through Ezekiel: "Why will you die, O house of Israel?" Through Paul, He promised help during temptation, "that you may be able to endure it." And in Jesus' parable, we see God withholding

immediate judgment, as a tree is given another year to produce fruit. We do not know how long our "year" is; now is the time to reply to the invitation—and repent!

#### THE WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the blue information card. Our Board of Elders are prayerful with our pastors about these joys and struggles of our earthly journey. "The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16b

# THE RINGING BELL CALLS US INTO THE PRESENCE OF OUR LENTEN LORD

#### \*DIVINE SERVICE-SETTING ONE\*

# **THE OPENING HYMN** *"We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder"...Afro-American Spiritual (All who are able, please stand)*

We are climb-ing Ja-cob's lad-der, We are climb-ing Ja-cob's lad-der. We are climb-ing Ja-cob's lad-der, Sol-diers of the cross.

*Ev-'ry rung goes high-er, high-er, Ev-'ry rung goes high-er, high-er, Ev-'ry rung goes high-er, high-er, Sol-diers of the cross.* 

Sin-ner, do you love my Je-sus? Sin-ner, do you love my Je-sus? Sin-ner, do you love my Je-sus? Sol-diers of the cross.

If you love Him, why not serve Him? If you love Him, why not serve Him? If you love Him, why not serve Him? Sol-diers of the cross.

We are climb-ing high-er, high-er, We are climb-ing high-er, high-er, We are climb-ing high-er, high-er, Sol-diers of the cross.

#### THE INVOCATION

- P In the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### THE KYRIE

(The congregation's responses are sung to the tune SOUTHWELL)

- P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Your mercy show us, Lord. Oh, hear us as we pray. Unto us grant Your mercy, Lord, Your peace at end of day.
- P For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Your mercy show us, Lord. Oh, hear us as we pray.Unto us grant Your mercy, Lord, Your peace at end of day.
- P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

- C Your mercy show us, Lord. Oh, hear us as we pray. Unto us grant Your mercy, Lord, Your peace at end of day.
- P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Your mercy show us, Lord. Oh, hear us as we pray. Unto us grant Your mercy, Lord, Your peace at end of day.
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
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### C Amen.

**THE HYMN** "Lord Jesus, Think on Me" LSB 610 verses 1-2

#### THE SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

#### THE COLLECT

O God, who seeks not the death of sinners, but that we might turn and live, open our eyes today to see our need for forgiveness, move our hearts now to repent, and direct our feet always to walk in Your paths; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**THE OLD TESTAMENT** *Ezekiel 33:7–20* (*Turn back from evil and live.*)

#### **THE SPECIAL MUSIC** "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder/...arr. Valerie Stephenson Holy Manna"...arr. Susan Greschke Con Brio Bells



**THE SERMON HYMN** *"O Christ, You Walked the Road" LSB 424* 

**THE SERMON** "Signs of the Holy Cross – Jacob's Ladder" Pastor Daniel Barbey

**THE NICENE CREED** Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book

**THE OFFERING** We gather our tithes, gifts of love, and our "Building Together in Faith" gifts. **THE OFFERTORY** "Father, I Adore You" words and music by Terrye Coelho

Father, I adore You Lay my life before You How I love You.

Jesus, I adore You Lay my life before You How I love You.

Spirit, I adore You Lay my life before You How I love You. Repeat: How we love You. copywrite©1972 Marantha Music! Used by permission CCLI#623761

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for ourselves, the Church around the world, and all people in their various needs.

Let us pray for all who, like Ezekiel, are in positions in which they may preach God's Word of condemnation and mercy.



- **C** God of judgment and grace, give words of wisdom and opportune  $O_{F,T}^{\prime} H^{\xi}$  times to pastors and lay leaders that they may proclaim Your Word publicly here and around the world. Turn the hearts of those who hear the news of forgiveness through Christ.
- P Let us pray for all who, like the leaders of Israel, are in positions of authority among the nations.
- C God of judgment and grace, guide and protect all who make and carry out our laws. Raise up leaders in all the nations who will lead their people in peace and righteousness, justice and compassion.
- P Let us pray for those who, like the psalmist, have endured years of distress and oppression.
- C God of judgment and grace, as fits Your plans for them, relieve and restore them to times of dignity and freedom, peace and rejoicing, and thanksgiving for blessings flowing from Your hands.
- P Let us pray for all God's people who have become complacent and proud, living without moral compass.
- C God of judgment and grace, use Your sure Word, the events of their lives, and our own witness when possible to awaken in them repentant hearts and a desire for amendment of life. Grant us grace to join them in daily contrition.

- P Let us pray for our Faith family and its friends in the midst of life's joys and struggles...and call out to God in their turmoil.
- C God of judgment and grace, bring Your gifts of comfort and healing to them. Use the talents You have given to health-care workers, emergency personnel, and members of law enforcement agencies and the armed forces for the good of all. Grant that they may serve You and the people around them to bring thanksgiving and praise to You, the author of life and health and salvation.
- P Into Your hands, heavenly Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

 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.

**Crossed Hands** – The Board of Elders would find it helpful that when you desire to receive the communion wafer in your hand that you extend your hands in front of you. It is a nice tradition that you cross your hands simply placing your top hand crossed in the palm of the lower hand.

#### THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT Both Services

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20;1 Corinthians 11:23-25

#### THE PAX DOMINI

- P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.



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John 20:19



#### THE BENEDICTION (With Sung Amens)



#### THE CLOSING HYMN "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" LSB 427

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**Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Third Sunday in Lent!** We are delighted to have you in worship with us. If you are visiting from out of town, we bid you welcome and God-speed on your journey. Should you be from our community, and have no church home, we invite you to make Faith your church home. Greeting you this morning:

**Before Early Service** 

Eddie & Rachel Aamold Dan & Clara Shelbourn <u>After Early Service</u> Joel & Jessica Filler Steve & Sheila Ingram



Before Late Service Brandon & Misty Hoftiezer Mike & Loretta Jochim After Late Service Jason & Denise Overweg Brian & Shannon Zeeb

**Preaching** this morning is Reverend Daniel Barbey. Pastor Barbey is Faith's newly installed Interim Pastor.

**Prayer at the Pulpit** Following both services Pastor Barbey will be by the Pulpit if you have prayer concerns this morning.



**Holy Communion** is celebrated at the both services this Sunday. In this Sacrament, our Lord brings us strength and forgiveness to be about His vision and mission. Those confirmed Lutherans who come to the Sacrament of the Altar today are asked to read the communion side of our information card found in the pew rack and to sign the bottom of the reverse side so that our communion records might be complete.

**Morning Fellowship** Join us between services in the CFLC for coffee and fellowship.



Sunday School Sunday School is for all children age 3 by September 1, 2015.



**Our Adult Bible Study** Join us as we continue our study on "Living Lent" at 9:45 in the Fellowship Hall.

**Nursery** The Nursery is available during the 11:00 service. It is located in the **F/G Room downstairs**. It is for children ages infant through 5 year olds.

**Nursing Moms** can find a comfortable rocker in the Daycare. This is NOT a Nursery for young children, just a quiet, private place for nursing moms.

Lenten Notes – The season of Lent is 40 days long excluding the Sundays "in" Lent...This parallels the 40 days of temptation of Jesus in the wilderness...During Lent the joyful alleluias and the cheerful Hymn of Praise is not generally sung...the cross is draped to commemorate Christ's death...the statue on the Altar is from our 1938 church and will remain until the Sunday following the

Ascension...we generally do not place flowers on the Altar during Lent, which helps us appreciate the bright fragrant blooms of the Easter morning lilies...Lent is a time to devote more time to our devotions...Lent is a good time to give something up if it helps us focus on Christ's passion, suffering and death for our sins...Lent is also a good time to take something up, a new discipline, more prayer, a project to help others... the Hymns tend to be minor key Hymns which

reflect the soberness of the Season; may God richly bless your Lenten Journey.



Lenten Services Every Wednesday at 11:00 am and 7:00 pm "Living Lent" As People of the Resurrection **PROCLAIM** God Be With You! \* \* \*



**Our Broadcasts** Our Sonrise and Cable Broadcasts are made possible this week by the Clocksin family in celebration of father and grandpa Creighton Miller's birthday on February 29. Thanks Noel, Bernie & Brady, may God richly bless Creighton on his birthday.

Did you know that "Sonrise" is streamed on KCCR live? If you are away, log on to www.TodaysKCCR.com.

*The Broadcast schedules are on the traveling Bulletin board, which is in the Narthex.* Our Cable Broadcast is also on our Website. Take a look at <u>www.faithluth.com.</u> **COST:** You may sponsor the radio broadcast of Sonrise for \$30.00. This radio broadcast is on 1240 AM KCCR at



6:40 a.m. on Sunday morning. The cost of sponsoring the cable broadcast of our worship service is \$35.00. This cable access broadcast is televised on Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. on Channel 8. If you choose to sponsor both, the cost is \$60.00.

**Wed. Feb. 17 Att. 255;** Lenten Offering \$1,484.76; **Sun., Feb. 21 Att. 423;** General Fund \$10,798.75; Building Fund \$1,103.00 (Debt Retirement \$893.00, Building \$110.00); Sunday School \$11.07; Love Fund \$100.00; Thrivent Automatic Withdrawal \$1,240.00 (General \$1,175.00, Debt Retirement \$65.00); Contingency Fund \$100.00; Bible Studies \$44.00; Broadcasts \$60.00; Annette Hill Hong Kong Mission Trip \$1,000.00).

#### This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Feb. 28 8:20 am Communion 9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study 11:00 am Communion 6:30 pm 1 & 2 Kings Bible Study 7:00 pm Board of Parish Stewardship Mon: Feb. 29 5:30 pm Youth Orchestra 5:30 "Living the Chocolate Life" Bible Study in Young Conference Room 6:30-8:00 pm Tae Kwon Do 7:00 pm Capitolians Tues: Mar. 1 8:25 am Staff Devotions 2:00 pm Kelly's 1 3:00 pm Kelly's 2 5:00-8:00 Pizza Ranch Fundraiser 6:15 pm Trustees Meeting 6:30 pm Choir 7:30-9:00 pm Pickleball Wed: Mar. 2 11:00 am Lenten Worship 6:30 pm Midweek

6:30 pm "Ephesians" Bible Study in the Young Conference Room 6:30 pm NO "Daniel" Bible Study through Lent 7:00 pm Lenten Worship 8:00 pm LYF Youth Meet Thurs: Mar. 3 7:00 am Men's Bible Study 8:25 am Staff Devotions 11:30 am Ministerium 6:30 "Living the Chocolate Life" Bible Study in Young Conference Room 6:30-8:00 pm Tae Kwon Do Sun: Mar. 6 8:20 am Communion 9:30 am NYG Youth Sponsored Breakfast 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship 6:15 pm Board of Education 6:30 pm 1 & 2 Kings Study 7:00 pm Bd. of Elders, Bd. of Missions Board of Parish Fellowship



# **BUILDING NEWS**

**Thank you for your continued gifts to our Building Fund** – We thank you for your gifts last Sunday to the Building Fund of \$1,168.00. The gifts were designated as follows:

#### The Debt Retirement Account: \$958.00 The Building Account: \$110.00

**Little Dresses for Africa**.....LWML is once again doing Little Dresses for Africa. Thank you for the donations already received. Items still needed are new or gently used pillowcases that have been washed, <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" elastic, flat buttons, and trim. There is a labeled tote in the narthex to place donations. Dresses are now available for sewing. Completed dresses can be placed back in the tote. Dresses are due back by April 30<sup>th</sup>.



If you have questions, please contact Doreen Miller at 224-9955. Thank you all for helping make this project a success!

**University of South Dakota Chamber Singers** One of the great joys of the season of Lent is the music. It sets the tone for our time of reflection and repentance. This year, we have the special privilege of welcoming the University of South Dakota Chamber Singers to be with us on Monday, March 7, and to sing for us. So join us on the 7th at 7PM for this wonderful opportunity.

The group will be with us one night and are looking for host homes for sets of 2-3 males or females. We'd ask, along with providing a place for them to sleep, that there would be breakfast and a ride to the church the next day, March 8, by 7:30 AM at the latest.

We thank you for your support and encouragement of this opportunity for our congregation and for our young men and women.

**Life Quotes** "The greatest irony of Jesus' life is the more Jesus loved, the more Jesus forgave, the more He was hated." *Rev. Paul Koelpin, Professor of History, Theology at Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org* 

**Main Street Living** Did you know that you can get daily devotions on the Main Street Living web site? Just go to <u>www.mainstreetliving.com</u>, click on the Lutheran Hour Ministries link, then click on the Daily Devotion tab. There is a new message posted every day.

**Kid's Crossing**-Janitor Bob talks to Miss Lisa and Jemimah about how to resist temptations by Satan.

**Feb. 28, 2016**-Rev. Gary Klatt of St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne, Minnesota will bring today's message "Repent, and You Shall Live Forever", based on Ezekiel 33: 7-20. The Main Street Living Choir will lead the hymns: O God, Our Help in Ages Past; Christ, the Life of All the Living; and Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me. The program is interpreted and closed





Here's what happening with the youth of Faith Lutheran...

Acolytes for Sunday February 28 Early: Martee Larson, Madyson Titze Late: Hallie Dunn, Hanna Dunn

+March 2 LENT 7:00 Melissa Hedglin, Jesse Jares

March 6 Early: Sammie Axtell, Cassie Axtell Late: Emily Haberling, Brady Hofteizer

+March 9 LENT 7:00 Martee Larson, Madyson Titze

March 13 Early: Jordan Thompson, Zane Schuchard Late: Austin Mammenga, Sam Overturf

+March 16 LENT 7:00 Brooke Kampfe, Emily Haberling March 20 Palm Sunday Early: Madison Siebrasse, Bailey Siebrasse Late: Adam Schochenmaier, Trevor Hayes

March 24 Maundy Thursday 7:00: Brooke Kampfe and Jaden Filler

March 25 Good Friday 7:00 (Need 4) Pacen Banuat, Austin Fawcett, Hallie Dunn, Hanna Dunn

## March 27 EASTER!

Early: (Need 5) Hannah Lingle, Megan Pease, Wyatt Loesch, Jaden Filler, Samantha Axtell Late: (Need 5) Caiden Jost, Tucker Berens, Joseph King, Daniel Voita, Cassandra VanDeWiele

\*If acolytes are not able to be present for their assigned day, it is their responsibility to call someone else to find a replacement and then notify the church office. Thank you so very much!

# Verse(s) of the Week: (NIV)

Mark 5:6-8 "When he saw Jesus from the distance, he ran and fell on his knees in front of Him. He shouted at the top of his voice, 'What do you want with me, Jesus Son of the Most

High God? Swear to God that you won't torture me!' For Jesus had said to him, 'Come out of this man, you evil spirit.'"

→ PRAYERS of all types and sorts... "This week please specifically remember in prayer all those who are afflicted with mental illness, that God through His mercy and grace, would restore those who suffer in this way."

Lord in Your mercy...Hear our prayer.

 $\rightarrow$  L.Y.F. Breakfast Fundraiser Sunday, March 6th. Our free-will French Toast breakfast will be held Sunday, March 6th in between our two worship services at 9:20-10:30. The proceeds will go to benefit the youth group heading to the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans this next summer. Thank you for your support.

→ Did you know? J.Y.M. Circuit Bible Camp will take place again this summer! The dates for Circuit Bible Camp are: June  $27^{th}$ — $30^{th}$ . This event is open to any youth who will be heading into  $5^{th}$  grade and also to any youth who are going into  $9^{th}$  grade, so  $5^{th}$  through  $9^{th}$  graders please come. Mark June  $27^{th}$  through June  $30^{th}$  off on your calendars for CIRCUIT BIBLE CAMP. Registration costs, which includes: meals, campsite stay, and a day on the water with Steamboat Outfitters will be \$90 for the week to cover expenses. Faith is offering \$30 scholarships to any participant looking to attend camp to help offset costs. You don't want to this wonderful summer opportunity to grow in faith and in friendships! Invite your siblings, friends, and anyone you know. You don't want to miss this summer Bible Camp opportunity!

## LCMS National Youth Gathering? Upcoming Dates:

- July 16-20, 2016 the actual gathering date
- Payment Due Dates per Child \*(May 16<sup>th</sup> amount Tentative)
  Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 \$275(PLEASE REMIT THIS PAYMENT
  - IF NOT DONE SO)
  - May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 \$200





 $\rightarrow$ Lenten Coffee's: Lenten coffees are a way in which we serve our congregation, and raise some monies for our high school activities and trips, not just the National Youth Gathering. We ask those assigned to a particular Wednesday to please set up, serve, and clean. Each family is to bring 3 dozen cookies, bars, or brownies. We also ask that you please do not just drop items off in hopes that someone takes care



of it. Families who do not find their names on this list are welcomed to select a date and join that group in serving Lenten coffee and cookies. Thanks so much for your support high school families.

#### → Sunday School Children Singing Dates for the Remainder of the Year:

Here are the remaining Sundays the N-4<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School will be singing at the 11 a.m. service: Mar. 20<sup>th (Palm Sunday)</sup>; Apr. 17<sup>th</sup>; and May 8<sup>th</sup> (*Midweek Children Sing on May 8<sup>th</sup>*)

→ The Theme for this year's Vacation Bible School will be: *Barnyard Roundup: Jesus Gathers Us Together!* Our VBS dates for this year are: June 5-9. Captive Free will be joining us as well! Sing-ups for adult volunteers, decorations, and helpers will be made available in April.



#### -Lent Worship - 7:00 to 7:45 on Wednesdays during the season of Lent -Good Friday Baked Potato Meal from 5:00-6:15 pm on Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup> -Easter Breakfast – Easter Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup> in between the services

 $\rightarrow$  Need to talk? Need prayers and encouragement? Pastor Baumann would love to pray for you, and if possible even with you for anything big or small that may be on your heart or mind. Find him after worship, or in the office for a special opportunity for prayer and conversation.

→Got something to share in the youth announcement section? Please e-mail it to: <u>baumannj@csl.edu</u> Thanks!

#### **Upcoming Youth Dates to Keep in Mind:**

Mar. 1<sup>st</sup> → Pizza Ranch Fundraiser 5:00-8:30 pm

Mar. 6<sup>th</sup> → N.Y.G. Breakfast 9:20-10:30 pm

Mar. 25<sup>th</sup> → Good Friday Baked Potato Meal from 5:00-6:15 pm

Mar. 27<sup>th</sup> → Easter Breakfast – Easter Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup> between the services

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>**  $\rightarrow$  Bible Bowl at Faith 8:00 am-3:00 pm

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>**  $\rightarrow$  Admissions Counselor Rev. Daniel Eggold visit from Concordia St. Louis 8 a.m.-Noon

June 5-9<sup>th</sup>  $\rightarrow$  V.B.S. "*Barnyard Roundup*" June 27-June 30<sup>th</sup>  $\rightarrow$  Circuit Bible Camp June 26-July 2<sup>nd</sup>  $\rightarrow$  Camp Minneboji

#### **On the Lighter Side:**

http://www.funology.com/bird-jokes/



Q: When should you buy a bird? A: When it's going cheep!

Q: How do you catch a unique bird? *A: Unique up on it.* 



Q: How do you catch a tame bird? A: The tame way, unique up on it!

Q: Did you hear the one about the crow and the telephone pole? *A: He wanted to make a long distance caw.* 

# **GOOD FRIDAY**



5:00-6:15 pm Baked Potato Dinner



6:15- 7:00 pm Hymn Sing

Good Friday Worship 7:00 pm





During the month of March, we'll have tables in the Narthex, with boxes for donations of items for the Pierre-Ft. Pierre Food Pantry. At the end of the month, a crew of Faithful volunteers will haul the items to the Food Pantry.

Our congregation is one of the largest supporters of the Food Pantry. There is a significant need at this time, so our generous support of this project is very important.

All types of nonperishable food, paper products, and personal hygiene items are needed by the agency, so be sure to keep an eye out for specials at the grocery store.

# **Financial Contributions**

Financial donations are also welcome. Checks may be made payable to Pierre Area Referral Service / Food Pantry, and can be dropped off in the church office.

# **Items Needed At All Times**

- Baked beans, and pork & beans
- Cereal and oatmeal
- Cream soups, chunky soups, and chili
- Fruit juices
- Pancake mix and syrup
- Peaches, pears, and fruit cocktail
- Potato mixes, rice mixes, and

- stuffing mixesSaltine crackersSpaghetti sauce and tomato sauce
- Sugar, flour, cooking oil, and

- evaporated milkTomatoes (diced or whole)Tuna, Spam, Treet