

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*



✠ DIVINE SERVICE ✠

OPENING HYMN "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness" (LSB 849)

INVOCATION

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

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

EXHORTATION

1 John 1:8-9

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

John 20:19-23

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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. Amen.
P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

✘ WORD ✘

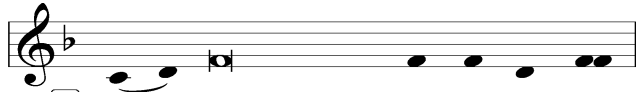
INTROIT

Psalm 84:1-4 (antiphon: Psalm 84:5)


- P** Blessed are those whose strength is in You,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.
- C** **How lovely is Your dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts!**
- P** My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.
- C** **Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay
her young, at Your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.**
- P** Blessed are those who dwell in Your house,
ever singing Your praise!
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
- P** Blessed are those whose strength is in You,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

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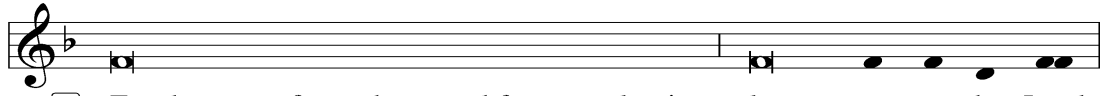
Mark 10:47




A In peace let us pray to the Lord.




C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



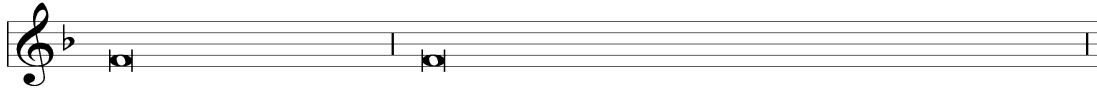
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



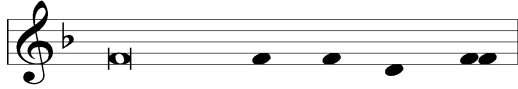
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



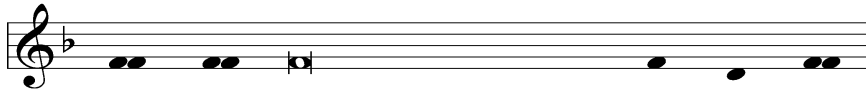
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



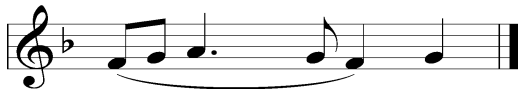
let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

2 Timothy 4:22

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Please be seated)

3 Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, ² "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you." ³ So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, ^[a] three days' journey in breadth. ^[b] **4** Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" ⁵ And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.

The People of Nineveh Repent

⁶ The word reached ^[c] the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. ⁷ And he issued a proclamation and published through Nineveh, "By the decree of the king and his nobles: Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything. Let them not feed or drink water, ⁸ but let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and let them call out mightily to God. Let everyone turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. ⁹ Who knows? God may turn and relent and turn from his fierce anger, so that we may not perish." ¹⁰ When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "Let Me Hide Myself in Thee" (TOPLADY, setting by Craig Courtney)
Helen Kiepke, vocal soloist

EPISTLE 1 Peter 3:9-12 (Suffering for Doing Good)

⁹ Do not repay evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called, that you may obtain a blessing. ¹⁰ For

"Whoever desires to love life
and see good days,

let him keep his tongue from evil
and his lips from speaking deceit;

¹¹ let him turn away from evil and do good;
let him seek peace and pursue it.

¹² For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous,

and his ears are open to their prayer.
But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.”

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

LENTEN RESPONSE

Joel 2:13



C Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra-cious and
mer-ci-ful, slow to an-ger, and a-bound-ing in
stead-fast love, and a-bound-ing in stead-fast love.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 26:47-56

(Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-sixth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴⁷ While he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a great crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. ⁴⁸ Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; seize him." ⁴⁹ And he came up to Jesus at once and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" And he kissed him. ⁵⁰ Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you came to do."^[a] Then they came up and laid hands on Jesus and seized him. ⁵¹ And behold, one of those who were with Jesus stretched out his hand and drew his sword and struck the servant^[b] of the high priest and cut off his ear. ⁵² Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place. For all who take the sword will perish by the sword. ⁵³ Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? ⁵⁴ But how then should the Scriptures be fulfilled, that it must be so?" ⁵⁵ At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? Day after day I sat in the

temple teaching, and you did not seize me. ⁵⁶ But all this has taken place that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then all the disciples left him and fled.

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

SERMON HYMN "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive" vs. 1-4 (LSB 609)

SERMON "Mercy in Betrayal" (Genesis 22:1-18)
Pastor Sam Handschke

SERMON HYMN "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive" vs. 5-7 (LSB 609)

CREED Apostles' (8:30) *Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book*
Nicene (11:00) *Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book*

OFFERING *We gather our tithes and gifts of love*

(Please stand)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord of hosts, You have brought us to dwell in Your house and called us to worship You in spirit and truth. Receive our praise and hear our prayers, that we would leave this place satisfied with Your living water. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord of hosts, You led Your ancient people by the hand of Moses and Aaron. Lead us through the wilderness of this world by the hand of faithful pastors, that we would be refreshed by the living water flowing from the stricken side of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord of hosts, You have made us righteous through Jesus Christ and made peace with us by His cross. Lead us to embrace our suffering in faith, as they shape us in His image, and prepare us to behold Your glory in heaven. Lord, in Your mercy,



C hear our prayer.

P Lord of hosts, You appointed Your Son to suffer on our behalf, that we would rejoice in the hope of glory. Make all Christian fathers to stand in Your grace, that they would live faithfully for the sake of their families and urge them always toward eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord of hosts, bless the nations of the world, that both citizens and authorities would seek justice, peace and the common good of all. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord of hosts, help the sick and suffering, especially those who desire our prayers [_____]. Surround them with Your love in Christ and, according to Your gracious will, heal them. Comfort all those who mourn, [*especially* _____,] and fill their hearts with the certain hope of the resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord of hosts, grant us safe haven at Your altar, that we who bear the weight of this world and its sorrows would always long for Your courts and the blessings You have prepared for those who sing Your praise. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord God, heavenly Father, to You all hearts are open and all sins are known. Strengthen our hearts by Your grace, that we who daily sin much would make confession boldly and then joyfully receive Your precious word of absolution; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

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.

The 8:30 am service continues on page 11 with the Benediction.

IN REGARD TO HOLY COMMUNION: According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22; Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they **receive the true body and blood of Jesus** given and shed for the forgiveness of their sins (Luke 22:19-22).

Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully understand the meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to **please speak with one of our pastors**, before communing, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

✘ **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT** ✘
11:00 am service

PREFACE

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 Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us to do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

AGNUS DEI

C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Come Unto Me, Ye Weary" (LSB 684)

"When Peace, like a River" (LSB 763)

(Please stand)

NUNC DIMITTIS ~ Song of Simeon

Luke 2:29-32



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful-



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre-



pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

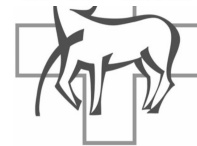


Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT



- P** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

(LSB 761)

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THE ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

AS WE GATHER In this service for Week 3 of Lent in our In View of God’s Mercy series, we look at our lives through the lens of God’s love toward us in the sacrifice of his Son, Jesus. In this service, we ponder the truth that though we may turn away from our God again and again, our Lord continues to call us back into his merciful arms for Jesus’ sake.

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the back of the blue attendance/communion 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

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.

Preaching today is Reverend Sam Handschke.

Holy Communion is celebrated at our 11:00 service this Sunday. In this



Sacrament, our Lord gives His true body and blood for our forgiveness. Those who confess the faith declared at this altar and who desire to receive communion today are asked to read our communion statement found in the bulletin. Thank you.

Want to listen to our worship service via livestream? Go to: www.faithluth.com. Click on livestream and it will take you to the service or if you have missed the service it will take you to the archived services. We livestream our 8:30 service each Sunday.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Wed. Mar. 1, Lenten Offering \$1,885.31; **Sun., Feb. 26, Att. 272;** General Fund \$12,291.08; Sunday School Offering \$8.55; Ash Wed. \$433.00; HVAC System \$300.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$331.00; Forever Young \$155.00; Missions \$669.67 Broadcasts \$120.00; LYF in memory of Brooks Monfore \$100.00; Endowment Fund (Generations) \$533.65, (Foundations) \$245.38, (Future) \$256.20.

Endowment Fund When giving to the Endowment Fund **PLEASE** make it a **SEPARATE CHECK**. Must be a **CHECK** as the account doesn't accept cash for the deposit. It is not always easy to find a check for the correct amount to substitute for cash or for a check made out for multiple purposes that includes an Endowment donation. The counters would greatly appreciate your help in this matter. Thank you.

Interested in the Mexico Mission Trip? Are you interested in going on the Mexico Mission trip in 2023? If so, we need to hear from you soon. There will be a meeting on Sunday, January 29 at 7:00pm to share information. Please contact Dennis or Carolyn Ryckman (605-280-6347) for more information.



March is Faith Lutheran Church's month to collect items for the Pierre/Fort Pierre Food Pantry. Pick up an extra item or two while shopping for your own groceries. Nonperishable food items, paper products, hygiene items, and cash donations are welcome.

Checks may be made payable to PARS. Write **Food Pantry or Townsend Challenge** on the memo line.

Church Photo Directory *If you have had your photo taken for the Church Directory your FREE 8 x 10 is on the table in the Living Room.* Please pick yours up today. Your name will be on the envelope so it should be easy to find.



We are very grateful for our church family's thoughts, prayers, and support during Harlan's recovery and our time away from

home and your presence weekly at church. Your cards and notes have given us much peace knowing others are gathered in the Lord's name supporting us through prayer. We would like to thank Pastor Urbach and Susan for coming to visit us, pray with us, and give us your heart warming cards and wishes. We would also like to thank Pastor Sam for his calls and prayers. God Bless each of you. Harlan and Verna Fransen

Butter Braids Fundraiser “The Board of Early Education is selling Butter Braids to help raise funds for the daycare and preschool. Some of the funds raised will be used to purchase Christian themed rugs for some of the classrooms. If you would like to purchase Butter Braids, we will be selling them in the Narthex after church services on March 12th. **Estimated delivery date for the Butter Braids is March 30th.** A perfect treat for Easter Sunday!”

Faith Lutheran Youth

High School Girls Bible Study – All High School girls are invited to join in on this Bible Study. Come and bring friends! This study will began Monday, February 6, 2023. The study will be every Monday at 7:00 PM. Please contact Cassandra Ryckman for details - 222-4895.

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Mar. 12 Daylight Savings Begins

8:30 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Bible Study
11:00 am Communion
2-6 pm Fastpitch
6:30 pm 1, 2, 3, John Bible Study
7:30 pm Board of Missions

Mon: Mar. 13

7:00 pm LWML

Tues: Mar. 14

8:00 am Staff Devotions
9:30 am Circuit Pastors Conference
10:30 am Women’s Bible Study
6-9 pm Fastpitch
6:15 pm Board of Property Management

Wed: Mar. 15

11:00 am Lenten Worship
5:15-6:45 pm Lenten Meal
6:00 pm Midweek/Catechism
6:00 pm Hebrews Study
6:00 pm Ephesians Bible Study
7:00 pm Lenten Worship
8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: Mar. 16

8:00 am Staff Devotions
1:30-3:00 pm Little Dresses
6:00 pm Rebekah Circle
7:00 pm Psalms Bible Study in Sanct.

Sat: Mar. 18

1-3 pm JYM

Sun: Mar. 19

8:30 am Communion

9:30 Men's Club Brkfast Fundraiser-HVAC
9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study
11:00 am Worship

2-6 pm Fastpitch
5:00 pm Board of Education
6:30 pm 1, 2, 3, John Bible Study

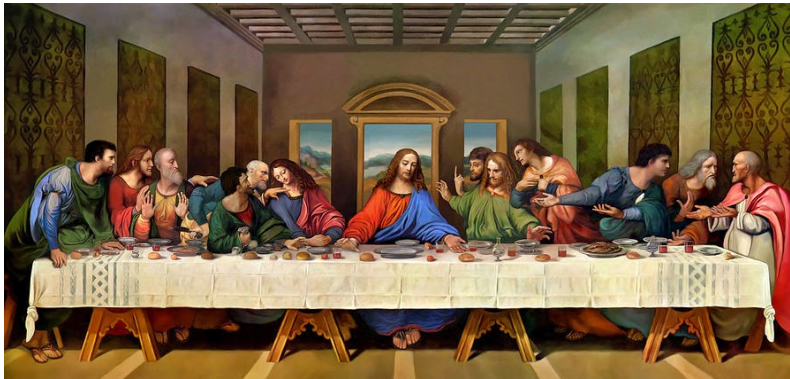
THE WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

Wednesday, March 15
“Grace for the Blind”

Wednesday, March 22
Grace for Those Ashamed”

Wednesday, March 29
“Grace for the Wretched”

LOOKING AHEAD TO PALM SUNDAY



LIVING LAST SUPPER

Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Invite your friends and neighbors for this moving portrayal of Jesus' last evening with the disciples before His crucifixion.

HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday, April 5

“Grace for the Loveless”

Good Friday, April 6
Grace for the Guilty”

Easter, April 9
“Grace for Those Who Lament”