

FIFTH 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 "Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good" (LSB 819)

INVOCATION

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

EXHORTATION

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

CONFESSION *and* ABSOLUTION

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I 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 116:1-4, 8 (antiphon: 116:15)

- P** Precious in the sight of the LORD
is the death of his saints.
- C** I love the LORD, because he has heard
my voice and my pleas for mercy.
- P** Because he inclined his ear to me,
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.
- C** The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;
I suffered distress and anguish.
- P** Then I called on the name of the LORD:
“O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!”
- C** For you have delivered my soul from death,
My eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.
- 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** Precious in the sight of the LORD
is the death of his saints.

KYRIE

C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; 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)

OLD TESTAMENT Micah 6:7-8 (God Expects Obedience from His Covenant People)

⁷ Will the LORD be pleased with^[a] thousands of rams,
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"

⁸ He has told you, O man, what is good;
and what does the LORD require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,^[b]
and to walk humbly with your God?

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "What Wondrous Love Is This" (*American Folk Hymn, arr. KL Phillips*)
Kaylee Blauert, violin soloist

EPISTLE Hebrews 6:9-12 (A Call for Perseverance)

⁹ Though we speak in this way, yet in your case, beloved, we feel sure of better things—things that belong to salvation. ¹⁰ For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love that you have shown for his name in serving the saints, as you still do. ¹¹ And we desire each one of you to show the same earnestness to have the full assurance of hope until the end, ¹² so that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

HOLY GOSPEL John 13:12-17 (An Example of Humble Service)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the thirteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹² When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you? ¹³ You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. ¹⁴ If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. ¹⁶ Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant^[a] is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷ If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN "What Wondrous Love Is This" (LSB 543)

SERMON "Mercy in Service" (John 13: 12-17)
Pastor Sam Handschke

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

OFFERTORY



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

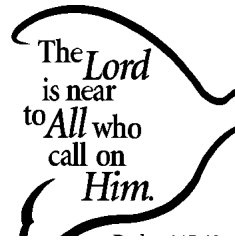
OFFERING

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.
- P** Lord, You raised Your Son and sent Your Spirit. Sustain us while we await Christ's attention to our present needs. Give strength to our prayers, heal our weaknesses and restore all our losses. Give us faith throughout our days in Jesus, who is the resurrection and the life. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.
- P** Lord of hosts, breathe Your life into Your Church, that she may stand by Your strength and live according to Your Word. Lay Your hand on men of every era to proclaim Your Word and to bring life to the downtrodden, the faithless, the fearful and the outcast. Lord, in Your mercy,



C hear our prayer.

P Heavenly Father, You have visited Your creation in Your Son. Grant that our homes would always receive Him and that husbands and wives and brothers and sisters would rejoice to hear His promises, steadfastly believing them and ever living in their light. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord of all, You are the true source of life, which You give through the power of Your Spirit. Humble those who are given authority over the lives of our people, that they would discharge this duty honorably in accord with Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O Lord, the ones You love are ill and need Your holy care [*especially* _____]. Make haste to help them. Spare their lives. On the Last Day, call them from their graves and unite them to You and all Your saints. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Holy Father, in Baptism You have given the new birth of water and the Spirit. Make Your children strong in Your Spirit, that they may shun the works of the flesh and live in this world expecting the resurrection and the life of the world to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

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.

The 11:00 am service continues on page 10 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

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Lift up your hearts.

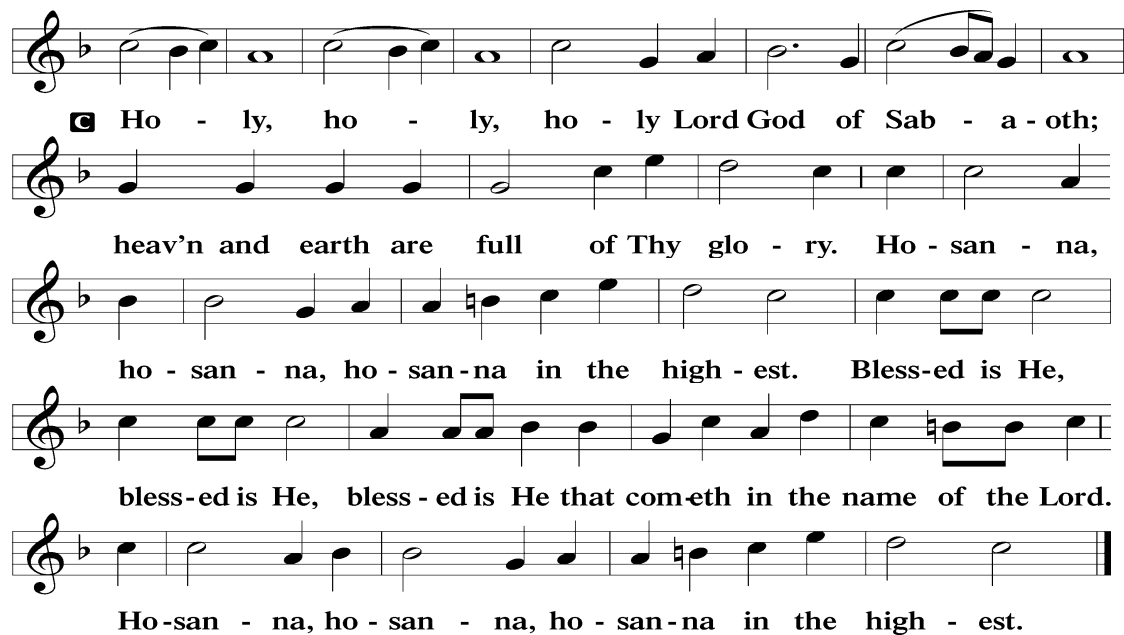
C We lift them up unto the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, 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 overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. 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 Sab - a - oth;
 heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
 ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

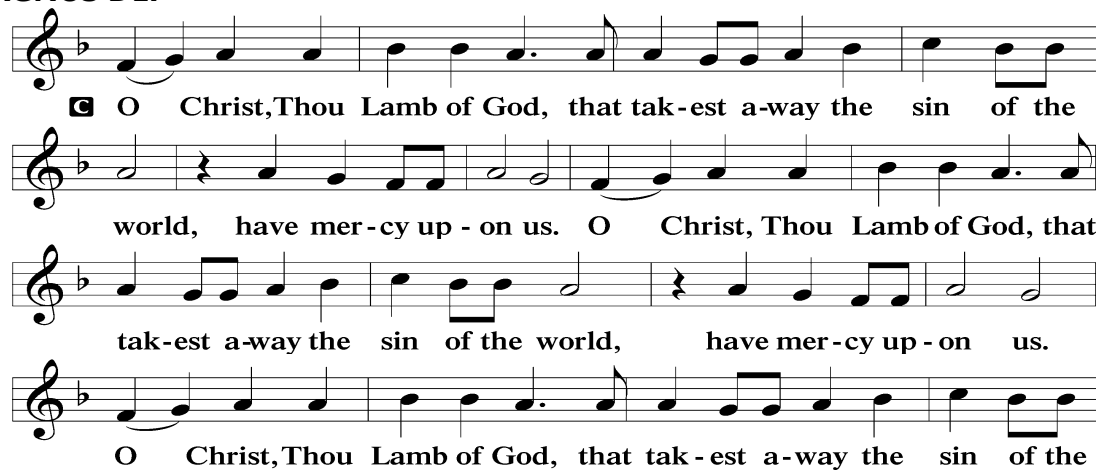
Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

AGNUS DEI



C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the
 world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
 tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the



(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Christ, the Life of All the Living" (LSB 420)

"Jesus, I Will Ponder Now" (LSB 440)

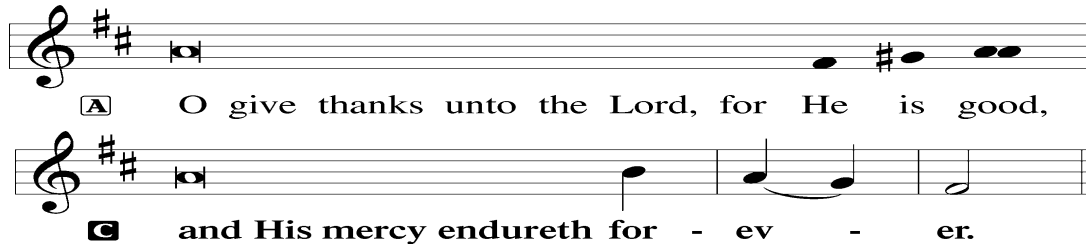


(Please stand)

NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-
 cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
 peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
 to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING



A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

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.

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

BENEDICAMUS

P Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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.

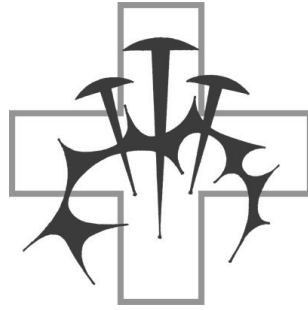
C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It”

(LSB 594)

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THE ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

AS WE GATHER In this service for Week 5 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 will see that we are called to serve in mercy the needs of those around us by Christ's example.

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 Fifth 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. 15, Att. 180; Offering \$1,293.00; **Sun., Mar. 19, Att. 253;** General Fund \$13,048.79; Sunday School Offering \$9.00; Building Fund \$2,075.00 (\$2,050 HVAC); HVAC System \$1,900.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$310.00; Pancake Breakfast (HVAC) \$4,202.00; Organ Fund \$50.00; Bus Maintenance \$50.00; Memorials in memory of Harlan Fransen for HVAC \$45.00; Endowment Fund in memory of Harlan Fransen (Undesignated) \$30.00, (Generations) \$250.00, (Future) \$20.00.

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.

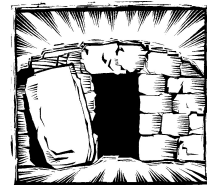


March is Faith Lutheran Church's month to collect items for the Pierre/Fort Pierre Food Pantry. Pick up an extra item or two while shopping for your own groceries. Nonperishable food items, paper products, hygiene items, and cash donations are

welcome.

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

RISEN! The Board of Missions will be showing the movie "Risen" on Saturday, April 1 at 5:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Come get an early start on Holy Week with a good movie that will give you a clearer vision of what Jesus' sacrifice and resurrection means for us.





Palm Cross Assembly If anyone would like to help make palm crosses for Palm Sunday our assembly day is **Saturday, April 1 at 8:30 a.m.** Many hands will make the large job go much quicker. It is a fun time of fellowship for the many who come each year.

Butter Braids Fundraiser 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. 26

8:30 am Worship
 9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Bible Study
 11:00 am Communion
 1:00 pm Boards of Stewardship/Endow.
 2-6 pm Fastpitch
 6:30 pm 1, 2, 3, John Bible Study

Mon: Mar. 27

6-9 pm Pickleball
 7:00 pm Priscilla Circle

Tues: Mar. 28

8:00 am Staff Devotions
 10:30 am Women’s Bible Study
 6-9 pm Fastpitch
 6:30 pm Living Last Supper Dress Rehearsal

Wed: Mar. 29

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. 30

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

Fri: Mar. 31

12-6 pm Pierre Area Keyboard Teachers Music Festival

Sat: Apr. 1

9am-3pm? Pierre Area Keyboard Teachers Music Festival
 5:30 pm Board of Missions Movie “Risen”

Sun: Apr. 2 PALM SUNDAY

8:30 am Communion
 9:30 am First Sunday Fellowship
 9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study
 11:00 am Worship
 2-6 pm Fastpitch
 6:30 pm Living Last Supper Presentation

THE WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

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”