

PALM SUNDAY

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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 ✠

Theme of the Day: It's easy to get stuck in a hole. Look at Aaron and the Israelites. *Better yet, look at us.* Best of all, look to Jesus who alone gets us out of our huge hole!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN SING 11:00

"Joshua Fought the Battle of Jericho"
Hosanna Medley

OPENING HYMN

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

(LSB 442)

HOLY BAPTISM OF REAGAN MARIE MARTIN 8:30 am

(LSB 268)

INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

EXHORTATION

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the gifts of our Lord Jesus Christ through Word and Sacrament, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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

Psalms 8, 135

[During the sermon Series on Exodus we are using Psalms that celebrate Israel’s deliverance from Egypt. Today we use selected verses from Psalms 8, 135]

P Praise the LORD! Praise the name of the LORD!

C Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good.

P Celebrate his lovely name with music.

C For the LORD has chosen Jacob for himself.

P Israel for his own special treasure.

C He destroyed the firstborn in each Egyptian home—

P Both people and animals.

C He performed miraculous signs and wonders in Egypt.

P Against Pharaoh and all his people.

C O LORD, our Lord!

All: How majestic is your name in all the earth!

KYRIE



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

THE SALUTATION *and* COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of his great humility and patience and be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT

Exodus 34:1-8

(The New Stone Tablets)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

"We Sing Hosanna"
Women's Ensemble

(Jeremy Russell)

EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 5:14-6:2

(The Ministry of Reconciliation)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

HOLY GOSPEL

St. Matthew 21:1-11

(The Triumphal Entry)

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE THEME HYMN "How Firm a Foundation" (LSB 728)

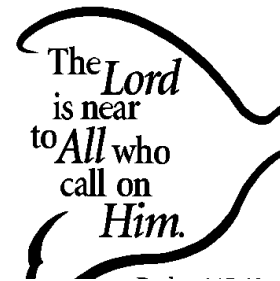
SERMON "A New Beginning!" (Exodus 34:1-8)
Pastor Sam Handschke

Weekly Suggested Reading: Exodus chapters 14 through 40
Remember your Daily Devotional Readings

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

OFFERING AND GREETING OF ONE ANOTHER

(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 God, Your Son humbled Himself to the point of death, even death on a cross. Fix our faith upon His death for our salvation, enrich the proclamation of the Gospel, and enliven our hearts to live out this faith until Christ comes again in glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Uphold this world in Your order. Preserve the Church and the preaching of Your Word against all enemies. Bless our homes, that parents and children may serve one another faithfully and grow in instruction and faith until life's end. Give health and

wisdom to all who serve in public office, that their authority may be exercised for the benefit of our people. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P God Almighty, our Lord Jesus did not count His equality with You something to be grasped, but humbled Himself. Grant us a mind like His to spurn all worldly equality and, humbling ourselves, to find Your greater portion in the life of the world to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord of hosts, Your Son came to deliver His people from all evil. Take away the fear of all who suffer in this world [*especially* _____]. As they await the fullness of their salvation, fix their eyes upon their crucified Savior. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Eternal Lord, as Your Son once entered humbly into Jerusalem to cries of “hosanna,” so send Him to us according to His promise in the Holy Sacrament, that we may eat His body and drink His blood in repentance and faith for the forgiveness of our sins and in the unity of a true confession. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! We praise You, Father, that You have sent Your Son not in wrath but in mercy. As we enter this most holy week and ponder together the mysteries of Your great salvation, show us the answer to Your people’s prayers of “hosanna” in the Passion of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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 8:30 am service continues on page 9 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 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, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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 a - dored;
 Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo - ry of Your name.
 Sing ho - san - na in the high - est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;
 Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many.

As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

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



 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
 Have mer - cy on us, Lord,
 And grant us peace, O Lord,



(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

- "Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior" (LSB 619)
- "To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All" (LSB 613)

(Please stand)

NUNC DIMITTIS



 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
 glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
 to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
 peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; 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

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.

Numbers 6:24-26



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

CLOSING HYMN

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

(LSB 443)

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Silent Prayer: Jesus, when I'm stuck in a hole, empower me to claim your covenant—you covenant of blood! Amen.

Remember your weekly reading about Moses. Be sure to share your daily devotion "Guided to the Cross."

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR PALM SUNDAY



AS WE GATHER The death of Jesus on the cross is not cause for continued sorrow or ongoing relief. As the Epistle points out, our Lord's giving of Himself for our sin makes His a glorious death. It causes "every tongue [to] confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Philippians 2:11). How do we do that? First, our Lord's death draws us to Him, where we find forgiveness, grace, and mercy. Then, each day we are given opportunity to die to sin ourselves and to receive Christ's forgiveness. It is an ongoing process that involves interacting with the people around us, with whom we share Christ's invitation to heaven itself. We sing "Hosanna," which means "save us." Because of the cross, we are confident that we have been saved already.

He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.
Philippians 2:8b

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Palm Sunday! 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 this morning is Rev. 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.



Holy Baptism This morning by ordinary water and God's extraordinary Word Reagan Marie Martin becomes a child of God. Reagan's parent is Madison Siebrasse and joins older brother Holland in the family. Her sponsors are Jacob Hardie and Kelly Jencks. May God bless Reagan and her family and continue to guide their life journey.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Wed. Mar. 13, Att. 63, Offering \$1,072.00; **Sun., Mar. 3, Att. 305;** General Fund \$8,616.25; Sunday School \$4.00; Building Fund \$240.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; 642 Rent \$1,400; Mexico Mission \$445.00; Security System \$193.00; Corned Beef Meal (Lutheran Witness) \$1,497.00; Butter Braids Fundraiser \$2,745.00; HVAC \$50.00; Organ Fund \$50.00; Broadcasts \$160.00; Memorial for Arlene Barker \$10.00; Endowment Fund in memory of Arlene Barker (Generations) \$25.00, (Foundations) \$50.00; Endowment Fund in memory of Clara Shelbourn (Blessings) \$50.00.

Endowment Fund There are lime green envelopes on the back side of the large center support post in the Narthex for your use. Donations do not have to be in memory of someone, they can be in celebration of an event in your lives, to the glory of God, or any number of happenings in your lives. The envelopes have an area where you can designate where you wish the funds to go. *Please use a separate check for your donation.* Where we deposit the funds does not take cash, so **it needs to be in the form of a check.** The counters cannot always find checks to cover when cash is given. Thanks for your help!



Mexico Mission The Mexico Mission team thank you for your kind support and prayers for the past trips and are welcoming families and individuals to sign up for the 2024 trip. Please contact Dennis Ryckman (605-222-7713) or the church office if you have any questions or are interested in being a part of the mission trip.



Also, there will be a Mexico mission trip fundraiser rummage sale at the church Friday and Saturday, April 5th-6th. If you wish to contribute rummage, please have your items at the church by Wednesday, April 3rd.



Passover Seder Meal Our Passover Seder meal will take place **tomorrow**, the Monday of Holy Week, March 25 at 6:00 p.m. We limit the participation to 80 people. While middle school and youth are also encouraged to attend, they must have a parent attend with them. There is a sign-up sheet on the information table in the Narthex. Sign up today!

The LWML is taking a break from assembling Little Dresses kits this year. We will be doing it again, so please continue to donate your items for this project. Instead, we are assembling **Health Kits** for **Missouri Shores Domestic Violence Shelter** here in Pierre. We are starting with several items that were already donated for other health kits but were not used. We have added a few things to our list of needed items so we can complete 50 kits. **The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex – please list what you are donating and be mindful of what is needed. Only donate those things listed.** We will be collecting these items through April. If we fill this request, we will add more kits. Thank you for your help with this. If you have questions, please call Jan Larson 650-280-0862. **PS** We do not need any soap for the kits – they already have plenty of these! Items needed: New large bath towels (50), wash cloths (18), new, sealed toothbrushes (43), small or travel size toothpaste (30), lip balm (50), small or travel size shampoo (23), small or travel size conditioner (34), small or travel size lotion (28), fingernail clippers (31), small or travel size deodorant (50).

Join us for a Faith Lutheran Trip to Ark Encounter and the Creation Museum July 28-Aug. 3, 2024 Sign up in the Narthex by April 1. See the latest details at www.faithluth.com/ArkTrip. You will be amazed at how the Bible comes to life at the Creation Museum and the Ark Encounter! Travel via the Faith Motor Coach. Travel cost per person, \$225, deposit required. Lodging (details yet to be determined) and Meals on your own. Tentative Itinerary:
Day 1/2: Travel to Lawrenceburg, IN
Day 3: Tour Creation Museum
Day 4: Tour Creation Museum or Ark Encounter
Day 5: Tour Ark Encounter at Williamstown, KY
Day 6/7: Travel to Pierre, SD
Again, sign up by April 1. We need 30 people to go. Contact church office @ 605-224-2216 or Dennis Ryckman @ 605-222-7713 for more information.



Thrivent Choice Dollars Expire March 31 Be sure to designate your Choice

Dollars today before they are gone forever. Go to www.thriventchoice.com or call 1-800-847-4836 and say "choice dollars" at automation. You can designate Faith Lutheran Church, Faith Lutheran Preschool or whatever other entity you should choose. Thank you for your support of Faith Lutheran.

LWML Presentation Monday, **April 8th** at 7pm, LWML will have speaker Nance Orsbon representing Church of Hope. She will be talking to the group about the needs of women leaving the South Dakota Women's Prison. Each lady receives an exit bag which includes toiletries, feminine products, etc. LWML will be holding a silent auction that night, with all proceeds going to support this great mission. We invite everyone to join us on the 8th in the sanctuary to hear Nance, enjoy fellowship, treats, coffee & help support this local mission!

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Get your taxes done for free. The Pierre/Ft. Pierre/AARP Foundation tax-Aid Program will be accepting appointments for the upcoming season. There are 6 volunteers available to provide services. To obtain an appointment, please contact the Pierre Senior Center @ 605-224-7730 or in person from 1-3 PM. Monday thru Friday, except holidays. You will need to obtain an information packet, which contains instructions and forms to be completed prior to your appointment. Self-employment income, some rental income, Out-of-State returns and other situations are Out-of-Scope.

Main Street Living "Main Street Living" is a liturgical worship service broadcasting a different local pastor each Sunday morning. It airs along with the classic Lutheran Hour program, "This is the Life." Both can be viewed on KDLT (NBC) & KEVN (FOX) Visit www.mainstreetliving.com to view current and past episodes. **Did you know** you can see the Worship Service and Kid's Crossing on our website at anytime? All programs are streamed on www.mainstreetliving.com, and are available the day before they are broadcast.

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KDLT (NBC) channels 5.1 / 46.1

10:00 AM - "Holy Land Tour pt. 2" - A video tour of locations in Jesus' earthly ministry, led by SD pastor Nabil Nour who grew up in Israel.

10:30 AM - Rev. Jesse Baker, pastor at Zion Lutheran Church in Hardwick, MN presents a message titled "Locked Away." This sermon is based on Zechariah 9:9-12. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. For more information visit: www.mainstreetliving.com

Life Quotes “So let us be sober, putting on faith and love as our breastplate and the hope of salvation as our helmet, encouraging one another and building each other up as together we faithfully wait, expectantly wait, joyfully wait—for Jesus.” *Rev. Dr. Anthony (Tony) Cook, guest speaker on “The Lutheran Hour” – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Faith Lutheran Youth

This Week at Faith Lutheran

TODAY: Mar. 24 PALM SUNDAY

8:30 am Communion
9:45 am Sunday School/*Luke* Study
11:00 am Worship
12:00 pm Corned Beef/Cabbage Meal
2-5:30 pm Softball
4:30-5:30 pm Bd. of Stewardship/Endow

Mon: Mar. 25

6:00 pm Passover Seder Meal
7:00 pm Priscilla Circle
7-10 pm Pickleball

Tues: Mar. 26

8:00 am Staff Devotions
9:30 am *Truth Project*
10:30 am Women’s Bible Study
6-9 pm Softball

Wed: Mar. 27

No Church Activities This Evening

Thurs: Mar. 28 Maundy Thursday

8:00 am Staff Devotions
11:00 am Worship
7:00 pm Worship

Fri: Mar. 29 GOOD FRIDAY

5:30 pm Baked Potato Meal
7:00 pm Worship

Sun: Mar. 31 EASTER

8:30 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School/*Luke* Study
11:00 am Communion



Services for Lent

Join Us!

Passover Seder Meal	Tomorrow, March 25 at 6:00 pm in the CFLC
Maundy Thursday	March 28 at 11:00 am and 7:00 pm
Good Friday	March 29 Baked Potato Meal?? At 5:30 pm Worship Service at 7:00 pm only
Easter Sunday	March 31 Worship at 8:30 & 11:00 am Easter Brunch between services