

**CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH**

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Faith Lutheran Church**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Second Sunday in Lent**

**February 24, 2013**

**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. Holy Communion is celebrated today. All who are baptized into Christ Jesus are invited forward to receive Holy Communion. Those not communing may come forward to receive a blessing.

Prelude

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

**HOLY COMMUNION**

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 3, page 138*

(\* Please stand if you are able)

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who brings us safely through the sea, who gives us water from the rock, who leads us into the land of milk and honey.

**C: Amen.**

P: Merciful Father,

**C: we have sinned against heaven and before you. We do not fully live as your sons and daughters. We use your gifts to our own ends.**

**Forgive us and restore us, that we may resist all that draws us away from you, and be at peace with one another. Amen.**

P: We are reconciled to God through Christ; for his sake, God does not count our trespasses against us. Once dead in sin, we are now alive to God. Once lost, we now are found. God clothes you in the finest robe of all, the righteousness of Jesus Christ, forgiving you all your sins and making of you a new creation.

**C: Amen.**

**\*GATHERING SONG: *God Loved the World* – Hymn 323**

## **\*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.**

**\*KYRIE – "*Lord, have mercy...*" – Page 138**

## **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: God of the covenant, in the mystery of the cross you promise everlasting life to the world. Gather all peoples into your arms, and shelter us with your mercy, that we may rejoice in the life we share 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.**

**CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann**

## **WORD**

### **First Reading: Genesis 15:1—12, 17—18**

L: A reading from Genesis.

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove

them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates"

**L:** The Word of the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 27** (*To be read responsively by whole verse*)

The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life;  
of whom shall I be afraid?

**When evildoers assail me  
to devour my flesh—  
my adversaries and foes—  
they shall stumble and fall.**

Though an army encamp against me,  
my heart shall not fear;  
though war rise up against me,  
yet I will be confident.

**One thing I asked of the LORD,  
that will I seek after:  
to live in the house of the LORD  
all the days of my life,  
to behold the beauty of the LORD,  
and to inquire in his temple.**

For he will hide me in his shelter  
in the day of trouble;  
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;  
he will set me high on a rock.

**Now my head is lifted up  
above my enemies all around me,  
and I will offer in his tent  
sacrifices with shouts of joy;  
I will sing and make melody to the LORD.**

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud,  
be gracious to me and answer me!

**"Come," my heart says, "seek his face!"**

**Your face, LORD, do I seek.**

Do not hide your face from me.

Do not turn your servant away in anger,  
you who have been my help.

Do not cast me off, do not forsake me,  
O God of my salvation!

**If my father and mother forsake me,  
the LORD will take me up.**

Teach me your way, O LORD,  
and lead me on a level path  
because of my enemies.

**Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries,  
for false witnesses have risen against me,  
and they are breathing out violence.**

I believe that I shall see the goodness of the LORD  
in the land of the living.

**Wait for the LORD;  
be strong, and let your heart take courage;  
wait for the LORD!**

## **Second Lesson: Philippians 3:17—4:1**

L: A reading from Philippians.

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself.

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

\* **♩ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *"Return to the Lord..."* – page 142

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel: Luke 13:31—35**

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON** – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

*Silence for reflection*

\***HYMN OF THE DAY:** *Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow* –  
Hymn 327

\***CONFESSION OF FAITH – NICENE CREED**

P: Using the words of the Nicene Creed let us confess our holy faith:

**C: We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again from the dead  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

#### **\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*(Each petition ends with P: Hear us, O God.*

**C:Your mercy is great.)**

#### **\*PEACE**

**P: The peace of Christ be with you always.**

**C: And also with you.**

#### **MEAL**

#### **OFFERING**

#### **PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS**

#### **\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**P: Let us pray.**

**C:God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with  
words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we  
receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*GREAT THANKSGIVING - page 144**

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 our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

♫ **C: “Holy, holy, holy Lord,...” - page 144**

**\*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**

♫ *“Lamb of God...” – page 146*

**Hymns Sung During Distribution:**

**Hymn 465: *As the Grains of Wheat***

**Hymn 483: *Here Is Bread***

**Hymn 484: *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart***

**\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

O God, in this holy meal you have embraced us and gathered us into your arms of compassion and protection. Release us now to go on our way in these forty days, ready to see our work as prayer, ready to fast from complacency, and ready to share with those in need; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen**

## SENDING

### \*BLESSING

P: God our Father bless you and shield you.

Christ our Mother shelter you and carry you.

God the Holy Spirit guide your journey both now and forever.

**C: Amen**

**\*SENDING SONG: *O Living Bread from Heaven* – Hymn 542**

### \*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Ring of the Bell

Postlude

Alternate Worship Texts: *Sundays & Seasons*, copyright ©2013 Augsburg Fortress

<b>Organist:</b>		Jason Bousselot
<b>Altar Ministry:</b>	Faith:	Herb & Diane Wilhelm
<b>Greeter:</b>	Faith:	Laurie Storjohann
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Our Savior's:	Riley Bruns
	Faith:	Ellie Carpenter (CA), Noah Gronewold
<b>Lectors:</b>	Our Savior's:	Deb Detlefs
	Faith:	Colette Christensen
<b>Communion Assistant:</b>		
	Our Savior's:	Paul Olson
	Faith:	Brian Tulley
<b>Ushers:</b>	Our Savior's:	Dan Burke, Sherry Lahann, Leonard Olson, Ray Detlefs
	Faith:	Marilyn Schau, Larry Schau, Diane Wilhelm, Herb Wilhelm
<b>Cleaners:</b>	Our Savior's:	Barb Flynn, Bill Morehead

**Holy Communion is celebrated today.** All who are baptized into Christ Jesus are invited forward to receive Holy Communion. Those not communing may come forward to receive a blessing. Communion will be continuous. Please proceed forward at the direction of the ushers. White grape juice is available during Holy Communion. Please indicate to the Assisting Minister if this is your preference.



**Welcome to our guests and visitors.** We are glad to have you worship with us this morning. Thank you for worshipping with us and please come back and worship with us again.

There is a "**cry room**" **available** in the back of each church, if you would like to make use of the accommodations.

**Those to keep in prayer this week:** For all those who are ill: Candice Ogden (friend of Diane Christensen) Richard Johnson (Diane Sievers' dad), Claire Wallace, Julie Coopman, Nancy Schebler, Tom Wright, Caleb May, Josie Watham, Alex Luedtke, Nancy Ramige, Signe Rock, Myrtle Koslofsky, Florence Petersen, Evelyn Stueland and Myrna Kay Petersen; For Austin Miller (Diane Christensen's nephew serving in Afghanistan), Kayla Dohrmann, Christopher Holmes, Jeremy Koch, Brian Holmes and all others serving in the military.

**There are Sunday School classes and an Adult Class meeting at 9:25 a.m. at Faith Church.** There is a class for everyone 3 years and older. Please join us.

**Bowling Extravaganza!** We will meet at the DeWitt Bowling Lanes this afternoon from 1:30—3:30 p.m. for bowling – the usual game plan: bring snacks to share. See you there!

## Midweek Lenten Worship Schedule



**February 27 – 7:00 p.m. – Our Savior's Church**

**March 6, 13, & 20 – 7:00 p.m. – Faith Church**

*(These worship services will be preceded by a 6:00 p.m. served meal)*

**Midweek Lenten Meals:** Sign-up sheets for preparing the meals are posted in both churches. Please sign your name and phone number under the date that you will be able to help. Thank you!

**Choir meets Wednesday at Our Savior's following the Midweek Lenten Service.**

**Luther League Lock In:** Friday, March 1, 7:00 p.m. – Saturday, March 2, 7:00 a.m. at Faith Lutheran Church basement – for anyone 5th – 12th grade.

Bring a sleeping bag, pillow and a snack to share. There will be games, movies, food and fun! You are welcome to bring a friend, however, no boyfriends/girlfriends. There are sign-up sheets in both churches. Any questions, call Colette Christensen (563-212-2865).

**"Estate Strategy Essentials"** will be presented by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans on Wednesday, February 27 at 12:00 noon at the Thrivent Office, 908 6th Avenue, DeWitt. Then seminar is offered by Gaylon Heetland, Casey Walker and Michele Traver. Lunch will be provided. Call the Thrivent office to sign up: 563-659-2991.

**This Week At A Glance**

Today	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/Adult Class at Faith
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
Wednesday	7:00 p.m. -	Confirmation Class at Faith Church
Sunday	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/Adult Class at Faith
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church

**Our Savior's:**

Worship Attendance, February 17 .....	50
Midweek Lenten Worship, February 20 .....	80

<b>Faith:</b> Worship Attendance, February 17 .....	48
Offering, Sunday, February 17 .....	\$1,617.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget .....	\$1,808.00

Sunday School Attendance, February 17 .....	23
Adult Class Attendance, February 17 .....	10

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**Calamus Lutheran Parish**

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## Parish Photo Directory

The Calamus Lutheran Parish has been blessed with a growing and active membership. In order to provide all members with a means of identifying and contacting each other, Faith and Our Savior's Churches are preparing to update the Parish Directory. You may choose one of three options for including your photo in the directory.

1. **Send a photo and Contact Information to Dan Burke at [dburke@gmtel.net](mailto:dburke@gmtel.net).** By providing a photo and sharing your contact information, you are allowing the Parish to include the photo and contact information in the Parish directory and Parish website. Please only submit photos to which you have the copyright and are allowed to freely reproduce.
2. **Place a photo and Contact Information in the basket near the Ushers' table at either church.** By providing a photo and sharing your contact information, you are allowing the Parish to include the photo and contact information in the Parish directory and Parish website. Please only submit photos to which you have the copyright and are allowed to freely reproduce.
3. **Reserve a time for a photo session by writing your name on the Reserve a Photo Session sheet on the clipboard near the Ushers' table at the respective church. Choose one of these dates.**
  - **Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**
  - **Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Contact Information includes the following.**

<b>Name of Family</b>	<b>Mailing Address</b>	<b>Main Phone Number</b>
<b>Names of people in photo</b>	<b>Email Address</b>	

If you have any questions, please contact one of these committee members.

Jason Bousselot	Dan Burke	Shane Glover	Terri Bousselot
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