CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Faith Lutheran Church 8:00 a.m. Our Savior's Lutheran Church 10:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 6, 2014

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 Ringing of the Bell Welcome and Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

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*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.
- C: Amen.
- P: Come, let us acknowledge our sin and seek God's face, that we may live. Holy God,
- C: we confess that we have turned away from you and from our neighbors, and in toward ourselves. We have sought security in possessions and the place of power in relationships. We have trusted ourselves most of all. Turn us back to you, O God. In your mercy, forgive our sinfulness and cleanse us from guilt and shame. Guide us on the path of freedom that is your gift to us in Christ our Lord. Amen.
- P: Hear for yourselves: There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. In the waters of baptism grace abounds for you and for all. God turns to you in love and puts away every sin, every wrong turn, for the sake of Jesus, the one God sent to save the world.
- C: Amen.

*GATHERING SONG: Christ, the Life of All the Living – Hymn 339

*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 - page 138

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

☐C: Lord, have mercy.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve you in righteousness all our days, through 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 – Noisy Offering

WORD

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:1—14

L: A reading from Ezekiel.

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast

multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 130 (*To be read responsively*) Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the LORD!

For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

Second Reading: Romans 8:6—11

L: A reading from Romans.

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law--indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not

belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

* LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Return to the Lord..." –

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P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the eleventh chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 11:1—45

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, o that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had

been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

*HYMN OF THE DAY: Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death – Hymn 452

*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.

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For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven;

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made 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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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:

JC: "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 764: Have No Fear, Little Flock

Hymn 790: Day by Day

Hymn 494: For the Bread Which You Have Broken

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

God of mercy, we give you thanks for seating us at your table and serving us with the food of eternal life. We who once were dead are now living members of your Son, awakened by the breathing of your Spirit. Send us out to awaken others to the mystery of your love, in the one who came to give himself away, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

SENDING

*BLESSING

P: God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth and forevermore..

C: Amen.

*SENDING SONG: The Lord's My Shepherd – Hymn 778

*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ringing of the Bell

Postlude

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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 happy to have you worship with us this morning. Please come back and worship with us again.

Pianist:Faith:Rachel BousselotOrganist:Our Savior's:Linda Whitman

Altar Ministry: Faith: Mark and Marsha Witte

Greeter: Faith: Dirk Braet

Acolyte: Faith: Magnus Sands (CA), Alyssa McElmeel

Our Savior's: Riley Bruns

Lector: Faith: Brian Tulley

Our Savior's: Grant Harkness

Communion Assistant:

Faith: Dirk Braet
Our Savior's: Dan Burke

Ushers: Faith: Mark Witte, Gary Braet,

Dirk Braet, Brian Tulley

Our Savior's: Dan Burke, Mark Olson

Cleaners: Our Savior's: Barb Flynn, David Olson

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 Tootie Steines, Cathy Goddard, Susan Marty, Barbara Dannatt, Kristi Reed, Candice Ogden, Claire Wallace, Julie Coopman, Nancy Schebler, Tom Wright, Caleb May, Josie Watham, Alex Luedtke, Nancy Ramige, Audrey Witte, Signe Rock, Myrtle Koslofsky, Florence Petersen, Evelyn Stueland and Myrna Kay Petersen; For Christopher Holmes, Jeremy Koch, Brian Holmes and all others serving in the military.

There is a Sunday School Class and an Adult Class for all those from three years of age and above. Please join us at 9:25 a.m. at Our Savior's Church.

There is a bake sale sponsored by the God Squad this morning. They will also hold their monthly meeting at 9:25 a.m. at Our Savior's today.

The **Noisy Offering** will be collected this morning. This year the councils selected the Calamus/Wheatland School District as the recipient of the Noisy Offering and other special service donations with the request from the councils that the monies be earmarked for the Nutrition and Health of the students. It will be a fun challenge to see how much "noisy money" we can collect for the school. (We accept soft, quiet currency, as well!)

Committee Night is on Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at Our Savior's.

Midweek Lenten Worship Schedule

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April 9 Our Savior's Church
Worship – 7:00 p.m. & Lenten Meal – 6:00 p.m.

Choir Rehearsals will be held every Wednesday through April 9 in the hosting church following Midweek Lenten Worship.

Worship Committee meets Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at Our Savior's.

Joint Council meets at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday at Our Savior's.

Spring Clean Up at Our Savior's

8:30AM - Saturday - April 12 (Rain Date - April 19)

Geri Schutt is celebrating her 90th birthday! Join in the celebration on Saturday, April 12, 1—4 PM at the Welton Fire Department House, Welton, Iowa.

Holy Week Worship Schedule

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Maundy Thursday, 7:00 p.m. – Faith Church Good Friday, 7:00 p.m. – Our Savor's Church Easter Sunrise Worship Service, 6:30 a.m. – Faith Church Easter Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. – Our Savior's Church

Easter Breakfast will be served by the God Squad at 7:30 a.m., Faith
A free will offering will be accepted.

An Easter Egg Hunt follows the Breakfast

This Week At A Glance

Today	8:00 a.m 9:25 am 10:30 a.m	Worship Service at Faith Church SS/AC/God Squad at Our Savior's Church Worship Service at Our Savior's Church	
Tuesday	7:00 p.m	Committee Night at Our Savior's Church	
Wednesday	6:00 p.m	Lenten Meal at Our Savior's Church	
	7:00 p.m	Midweek Lenten Worship at Our Savior's	
	7:45 p.m	Choir Rehearsal at Our Savior's Church	
Thursday	6:00 p.m	Worship Committee at Our Savior's	
	7:30 p.m	Joint Council at Our Savior's Church	
Palm Sunday	8:00 a.m	Worship Service at Faith Church	
	9:25 a.m	SS/AC at Our Savior's Church	
	10:30 a.m	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church	
Faith: Worship Attendance, March 30			
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Our Savior's: Worship Attendance, March 30			
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