CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

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

First Sunday in Lent

February 22, 2015

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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GATHERING

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who brings us out of captivity into freedom, out of the wilderness into the promised land, out of death into life.

C: Amen.

- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence for reflection and self-examination
- P: Gracious God.
- C: we confess that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Forgive us and give us strength to turn from sin and to serve you in newness of life.

 Amen.
- P: By water and the Holy Spirit, God gives us a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God forgives us all our sins. Almighty God strengthen us in all goodness and keep us in eternal life.
- C: Amen.

*GATHERING SONG: O Lord, throughout These Forty Days – Hymn

*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 – P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. – pages 138-139 C: "Lord, have mercy."

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Genesis 9:8—17

L: A reading from Genesis.

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him. "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1—10 (To be read responsively)

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.

Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O LORD!

Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18—22

L: A reading from 1 Peter.

For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you--not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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 Mark, the first chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Mark 1:9—15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor David Aanonson

SERMON – Pastor David Aanonson Silence for reflection

*HYMN OF THE DAY: Great Is Thy Faithfulness – Hymn 733

*CONFESSION OF FAITH - NICENE CREED

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

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;

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

*THE PRAYERS (Each petition ends: P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

*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.

God our provider,

C: 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.

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- 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 481: Come to the Table

Hymn 467: We Place upon Your Table, Lord Hymn 735: Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

Merciful God, accompany our journey through these forty days. Renew us in the gift of baptism, that we may provide for those who are poor, pray for those in need, fast from self-indulgence, and above all that we may find our treasure in the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

SENDING

*BLESSING

P: The blessing of God Almighty, the wisdom and power of Christ Jesus, and the light of the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

C: Amen.

*SENDING SONG: Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart – Hymn 873

*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

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.

Organist: Our Savior's: Jason Bousselot Pianist: Faith: Rachel Bousselot

Altar Ministry: Faith: Diane and Herb Wilhelm

Greeter: Faith: Diane Wilhelm **Acolyte:** Our Savior's: Drake Olson

Faith: Karragan Whitman (CA), Kale Whitman

Lector: Our Savior's: Katrina Harkness

Faith: Robin Costello-Smith

Communion Assistant:

Our Savior's: Dan Burke Faith: Ruth Braet

Ushers: Our Savior's: Brian Bousselot, Deb Detlefs

Faith: Marilyn Schau, Larry Schau,

Diane Wilhelm, Herb Wilhelm

Cleaners: Jason and Chad Bousselot

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 to 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 Vicki Sharp, Gary Braet, Claire Wallace, Josie Watham, Nancy Ramige, Malinda Malmanger, Signe Rock, Alice Schroeder, Florence Petersen and Myrna Kay Petersen.

There is a Sunday School class for all those three years of age and above. Please join us at 9:25 a.m. at Faith Church.

Midweek Lenten Services Wednesday, February 25 and March 4 — 7:00 p.m. Our Savior's Lutheran Church Wednesday, March 11, 18 and 25 — 7:00 p.m. Faith Lutheran Church Supper served at 6:00 p.m. — Free Will Offering for Meal

Oliver Robert, son of Rebecca and Thomas Barnes was born on Thursday, February 12. Oliver is the grandson of Dirk and Annette Braet and the great-grandson of Yogi and Ruth Braet.

CALCO Workers needed for March 8: The Calamus Lutheran Parish is responsible for supplying workers for March 8 at the CALCO. Faith workers time period is 7:30 –10:00 a.m. and Our Savior's time is 10:00—12:30. Please let your council know if you will be able to work.

Lutheran Day on the Hill in Des Moines – Monday, March 9: Join Lutheran Services in Iowa and the three Iowa Synods of the ELCA to learn how to advocate for those who are not heard, for seeking social justice and for empowering people to exercise their right and responsibility to be part of the legislative process. Transportation from Iowa City and lunch will be provided. Call the church office if you would like more details.

Summer lawn care for the Kvindherred Cemetery and Our Savior's church lawn: If you are interested in the lawn care for these two sites, please contact Dan Burke (563-468-8586) or Brian Bousselot 246-2776.

Sidewalk Snow Removal at Faith Church: If anyone is interested in providing this service, please contact Brian Tulley 246-2121 or Hal Shelton 847-6221 or call the church office 246-2622.

This Week At A Glance

Today Wednesday Friday Sunday	8:00 a.m 9:25 a.m 10:30 a.m 6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m 9:30 a.m 8:00 a.m 9:25 a.m 10:30 a.m	Sunday School/Go Worship Service a Mid-week Lenten Mid-week Worship Naomi Circle at Lo Worship Service a	Meal at Our Savior's p at Our Savior's ois Wessels t Our Savior's Church od Squad/Adult Class - F
Our Savior's: Worship Attendance, February 15			
Sunday School Attendance, February 15			
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Martin Luther's Small Catechism

Martin Luther wrote the *Small Catechism* as a means by which *the head of the family shall teach* (the Christian faith) *to his*(her) *household.* He began with the Ten Commandments. This he did because, as Law, the Commandments show us our sin and our need for the Gospel.

The Tenth Commandment

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his or her manservant, or his or her maidservant, or his or her ox, or his or her ass, or anything that is your neighbor's.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God, and so we should not abduct, estrange, or entice away our neighbor's wife or husband, servant, or cattle, but encourage them to remain and discharge their duty to him or her (Book of Concord. Theodore G. Tappert, translator. p. 344.)

Prayer: Lord God, Holy and Heavenly Father, You give us the gift of family and the gift of work whereby we may provide for our closest neighbors—our own family. Grant that we may be thankful for Your gift and that we do not seek in any way to obtain that which You have so graciously granted to others. Grant to us the joy of being satisfied with the gifts you have given to us. In the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.