

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church

10:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 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

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting3, page 138

(* Please stand if you are able)

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: *What Feast of Love* – Hymn 487**

***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.

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live 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.

WORD

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31—34

L: A reading from Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt--a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 51:1—12

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;

according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.

**Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.**

For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.

**Against you, you alone, have I sinned,
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgment.**

Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.

**You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.**

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

**Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.**

Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.**

Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.

**Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:5—10

L: A reading from Hebrews.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but
was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son,
today I have begotten you";

as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with
loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he
was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he
learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect,

he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

* **♫ LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Return to the Lord..."** –
page 142

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 12:20—33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say – 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor David Aanonson

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Silence for reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY:** *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling* – Hymn 608

***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.

*🎵 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 481: *Come to the Table*

Hymn 337: *Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed*

Hymn 334: *Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery*

***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: *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* – Hymn 338**

***DISMISSAL:**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ring of the Bell

Postlude

Alternate Worship Texts: *Sundays & Seasons*, copyright ©2015 Augsburg Fortress

Organist:	Our Savior's:	Linda Whitman
Pianist:	Faith:	Rachel Boussetot
Altar Ministry:	Faith:	Lonny and Diane Sievers
Greeter:	Faith:	Colette Christensen
Acolyte:	Our Savior's:	Riley Bruns
	Faith:	Colin Grau (CA), Andrew Grau
Lector:	Our Savior's:	David Olson
	Faith:	Doreen Henning
Communion Assistant:		
	Our Savior's:	Katarina Harkness
	Faith:	Yale Christensen

Ushers: Our Savior's: Art Bousselot, Shane Glover
Faith: Yale Christensen, Mike Tendall,
Adam Wilhelm, Colette/Makenna
Christensen
Cleaners: Shane and Amy Glover

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 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 Marcella Husen, Shirley Ferguson, 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.

Parish COSMIC Bowling Extravaganza

Sunday, March 22, 1:00 – 3:30 De Witt Lanes

This will be bowling with a twist – because it
will be

COSMIC BOWLING!!! All you sports fans – Don't
miss out!

Bring a snack to share – and bowl without a care!

Midweek Lenten Service: Wednesday, March 25 – 7:00 p.m., Faith Lutheran Church ~ *Supper served at 6:00 p.m. – Free Will Offering for Meal*

Choir Rehearsal follows the Midweek Lenten Service at Faith.

The Sunday School children are singing with the adult choir at both worship services next Sunday, March 29.

Please do not throw away your **March edition of *The Lutheran*** (the one with “Our malaria moment” on the front). When you have finished reading that article and all of the others (lots of good ones), put your copy on the desk by the church office at Faith. The education committee wants to share the magazine with the visitors to Bible School (topic this year is “Catch the Buzz” and the focus will be awareness of the ELCA Malaria Campaign). Thank you for your help! - - Marsha Witte

Spring Clean-Up Day at Our Savior's this Saturday, March 28 beginning at 8:00 a.m. Rain Date: April 4

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.

You are invited to share in the joy of Mitchel Christensen and Melissa Aston as they vow their lives to one another on Saturday, April 11, 2015, at 3:30 p.m. at Faith Lutheran Church. Reception at 5:30 p.m. at the CALCO.

This Week At A Glance

Today	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/God Squad/Adult Class - F
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
	1:00 p.m. -	Cosmic Bowling at DeWitt Lanes
Wednesday	6:00 p.m. -	Mid-week Lenten Meal at Faith Church
	7:00 p.m. -	Mid-week Worship at Faith Church
	7:45 p.m. -	Choir Rehearsal at Faith Church
Saturday	8:00 a.m. -	Clean-Up Day at Our Savior's
Sunday	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/God Squad/Adult Class - F
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church

Our Savior's:

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Faith:

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Offering, Sunday, March 15 \$1,051.00

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God Squad Attendance, March 15 6

Adult Class Attendance, March 15 14

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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. He followed with the Apostles' Creed because the Gospel is proclaimed in the Creed.

The Third Article of the Apostles' Creed

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

What does this mean? *I believe that by my own reason or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him. But the Holy Spirit has called me through the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, and sanctified and preserved me in true faith, just as He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth and preserves it in union with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian church He daily and abundantly forgives all my sins, and the sins of all believers, and on the last day He will raise me and all the dead and will grant eternal life to me and to all who believe in Christ. This is most certainly true.* (*The Book of Concord*. Theodore G. Tappert, translator. p. 345).

Prayer: Lord God, Holy and Heavenly Father. We give You thanks and praise for the gift of the Holy Spirit who calls us through the Gospel and gives to us the faith to believe and confess Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. Grant that our hearts will always be open to the working of the Holy Spirit. In the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.