

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church

10:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 2, 2017

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

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HOLY COMMUNION

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(* Please stand if you are able)

GATHERING

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God of heaven and earth, you come in close and make us yours.

Equip us by your Spirit to confess our sin, embrace your forgiveness,
and seek the way you set before us in your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

P: With honesty of heart, let us confess our sin.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P: Merciful God,

C: forgive us. Our will is handcuffed to sin, and we cannot break free.

We have spoken when we should have kept quiet. We are silent when we should have said something. We acted when we knew better. We were still when we know we should have moved. For the

wrong we have done, for the good we have failed to do, have mercy on us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

P: People of God, look to the Son, given to heal you and set you free, because God loved the world so much. Take hold of life—eternal life!

C: Amen.

***GATHERING SONG: "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" –**
Hymn 886

***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 on us...." – page 175**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

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.

WORD

First Readings: 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, "Prophecy 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

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.

* **♫ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Turn back ..." – page 179**

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, so 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.

CHILDREN'S SERMON: Pastor Wm. Runaas, Jr.

SERMON – Pastor William Runaas, Jr.

Silence for reflection

(Please remain seated for the singing of the hymn)

HYMN OF THE DAY: " Lord Jesus, Think on Me" –

Hymn 599

***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 OF INTERCESSION**

(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.

**C: Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving
and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross,
we may know the joy of the resurrection; though Christ our Lord
Amen**

***GREAT THANKSGIVING - page 180**

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: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C: Amen

***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.

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: Return to God with all your heart.

Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

COMMUNION

♪ "O Lamb of God..." – page 182

Hymns Sung During Distribution:

Hymn 595: "Jesus Loves Me! "

Hymn 485: "I am the Bread of Life"

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten Pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts: though Christ our Lord

C: Amen.

SENDING

*BLESSING

P: May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed.

The Lord bless you and keep you

The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen

***SENDING SONG: "Abide with Me" - Hymn 629**

*DISMISSAL:

P: Marked with the cross of Christ,
go forth to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ringling 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. Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are 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. We invite you to return and worship with us again.

Organist: Our Savior's: Linda Whitman
Pianist: Faith: Rachel Boussetol
Altar Ministry: Faith: Ruth Braet and Annette Braet
Greeter: Faith: Donna Petersen
Acolytes: Our Savior's: Chase Knoche and Courtney Knoche
Faith: Brayden Williams
Lectors: Our Savior's: Joe Morehead
Faith: Annette Braet
Communion Assistant:
Our Savior's: Brian Boussetol
Faith: Ruth Braet
Ushers: Our Savior's: Joe Morehead, Brian Boussetol
Faith: Ruth Braet, Donna Petersen, Shirley
Ferguson, Joyce Sands, Julie Gronewold.
Cleaners: Our Savior's: Shane & Amy Glover

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 Andrea Shelton, Ed and Geneva Meadows, Nan Anderson, Monique Bachelder, George and Joyce Tulley, Dennis Pewe, Will Wade, Chris Forret, Dan Montgomery, Mary Ann Washburn Stuedemann, Lauren Dudley, Ethan Friedrich, Scott Fisher, Elizabeth Goddard, Scott McConnell, Vicki Sharp; For the homebound: Hazel Richards, Ron Gasper, Alice Schroeder, Geri Schutt, Bob Barnard and Myrna Kay Petersen; and for Brian Holmes, grandson of Clara Wilhelm, who is serving his third deployment to Mosul, Iraq and Emily Olive, daughter of Dave and Tammy Olive, preparing for a 9—11 month deployment to Kuwait.

Sunday School, God Squad and Adult Class meet at Faith Church on Sunday mornings at 9:25 a.m.

Mid Week Lenten Service begins at 7:00pm at Faith. A 6:00pm meal precedes the service.

Choir Rehearsal follows mid week Lenten service.

Vacation Bible School is May 1, 8, 15, 22 from 3:30-5. They are looking for volunteers to read stories and provide snacks. Please contact a member of the education committee if you would like to help. Signup sheets will be available at the back of the church starting in April.

First Communion classes will be on Wednesday May 3rd and 10th at 6:30 p.m. at Faith Church. Please contact Pastor or the church office if you would like to go.

Notice of Special Congregational Meeting

A special congregational meeting will be held after worship service on April 2, 2017 for the sole purpose of voting on a change in Section C8.04.01 part B of the Constitution pertaining to Communion Participation.

If you are wanting to contact Pastor Bill, please use his cell phone number: 319-231-5262. Thank you.

This Week At A Glance

Today 8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
 9:25 a.m. – Sunday School/GS/AC at Faith Church
 2:30 p.m.— Bad Girls of the Bible at Faith Church

Tuesday 9:00 a.m.—Coffee & A Little Jesus at Heather Grau

Wednesday 5:45p.m- Confirmation Class
 6:00p.m. – Midweek Lenten Meal at Faith
 7:00 p.m. – Midweek Lenten Worship at Faith
 7:45 p.m.- Choir Rehearsal at Faith

Thursday 7:00p.m. – Education Committee at Faith Church

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
 9:25 a.m. – Sunday School/GS/AC at Faith Church
 10:30 a.m. – Worship Service at Faith Church

Our Savior’s:

Worship Attendance, March 26, 2017 40

Faith:

Worship Attendance, March 26, 2017 55

Mid Week Lenten Attendance March 29, 2017 53

Offering, March 26, 2017 \$1,950.00

Needed Weekly to Meet Budget \$2,177.00

Sunday School Attendance, March 26, 2017 28

God Squad Attendance, March 26, 2017 7

Adult Class Attendance, March 26, 2017 N/A

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