

# *Third Saturday in Lent*

## *March 11th, 2023*



*Faith Lutheran Church LCMS*

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Sunday Bible Study/Sunday School 11:00 AM

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**HOLY COMMUNION** Our Lord shares with us His precious Body and Blood in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. We invite those who are baptized Christians who are able to examine themselves on the basis of these three points of the Christian Faith:

✠ I believe that Jesus is my only Lord and Savior from all sin.

✠ I believe that the true body and blood of Christ is present in the Sacrament.

✠ I resolve, with the Holy Spirit's help to live for my Lord and witness through my actions that He is my Savior

**INDIVIDUAL CUPS IN THE CENTER RING OF EACH COMMUNION TRAY WILL BE FOR THOSE WHO HAVE REQUESTED GRAPE JUICE**

✠Divine Worship Service Two & Four✠ p. 167ff.

**OPENING HYMN**      Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain      #435  
(please stand)

**INVOCATION AND CONFESSION OF SINS** Pastor / Congregation

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

**C: Amen.**

*P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.*

**C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.*

**C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

*P: Almighty God in his mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**C: Amen.**

## Service of the Word



**INTROIT Pastor / Congregation.**

*P: Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,*

**C: in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

*P: How lovely is your dwelling place,*

**C: O LORD of hosts!**

*P: My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD;*

**C: my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.**

*P: Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,*

**C: at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.**

*P: Blessèd are those who dwell in your house,*

**C: ever singing your praise!**

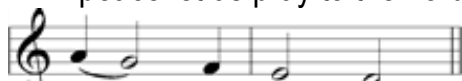
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*P: Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,*

**C: in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

## KYRIE

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace of the whole world for the well being of the Church of God and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

N

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us gracious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

*P: Let us pray.*

*O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever*



(please be seated)

### **OLD TESTAMENT**

**Exodus 17:1–7**

<sup>1</sup>All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. <sup>2</sup>Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.” And Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?” <sup>3</sup>But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?” <sup>4</sup>So Moses cried to the LORD, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” <sup>5</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, “Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. <sup>6</sup>Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink.” And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. <sup>7</sup>And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **EPISTLE**

**Romans 5:1–8**

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup>Through him we have also

obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— <sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

(please stand)

**LENTEN VERSE**

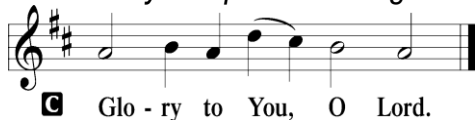


Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and  
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in  
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

**HOLY GOSPEL**

**John 4:5–26**

*P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourth chapter.*



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>5</sup>So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup>Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

<sup>7</sup>There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her,

“Give me a drink.” <sup>8</sup>(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) <sup>9</sup>The Samaritan woman said to him, “How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?” (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.” <sup>11</sup>The woman said to him, “Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? <sup>12</sup>Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock.” <sup>13</sup>Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup>but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” <sup>15</sup>The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water.”

<sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.” <sup>17</sup>The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; <sup>18</sup>for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true.” <sup>19</sup>The woman said to him, “Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup>Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship.” <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. <sup>22</sup>You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup>But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. <sup>24</sup>God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” <sup>25</sup>The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.” <sup>26</sup>Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**■** Praise to You, O Christ.

(please be seated)

**SERMON HYMN**

(Insert) In Christ Alone

**SERMON**

Why Do We Quarrel?

(please stand)

**NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose Kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**GATHERING OF THE OFFERINGS**

(please rise and sing).



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our



cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were  
 sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the  
 hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we  
 of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and  
 give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT



*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 unto the Lord, our God.*

**C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

*P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord... Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:*

## SANCTUS



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!



*P: Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:*

**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.**

## WORDS OF OUR LORD

*P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

C: Amen.

## AGNUS DEI



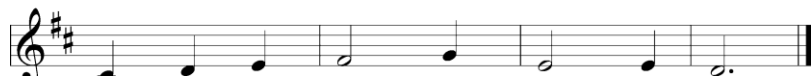
1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



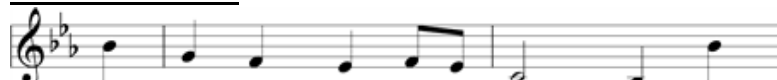
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(please be seated)

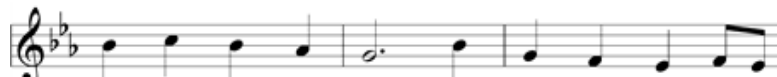
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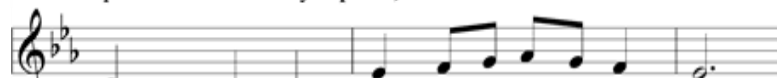
## NUNC DIMITTIS



O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -



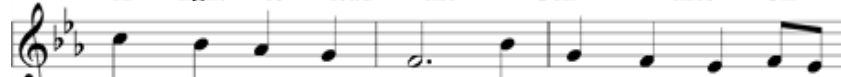
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the



glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:



A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -



to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your



## POST COMMUNION COLLECT

*P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**C: Amen.**

*P: Let us bless the Lord.*

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## BENEDICTION

*P: The Lord bless you and keep you.*

*The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.*

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

**C: Amen.**

(please be seated)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



## CLOSING HYMN

Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer #918

## IN SERVICE THIS SATURDAY & SUNDAY



6:00 p.m. Mike Feltner



6:00 p.m. Lete Connelly

9:30 a.m. Gary Wygle  
Joanne Fetzer  
Mile & Diane Hammill

9:30 a.m. David Hass



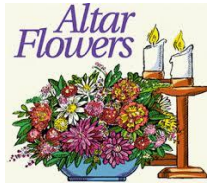
Saturday: 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. LuAnn Cooke



Carolyn Arias  
Ann Panas



Edward Sarmiento, Don Mueller



Given By: Merle Snook in Loving Memory of Fred Snook

Attendance: March 4th=43    March 5th =101    Total= 144

**Happy  
Birthday!**

Jerry Marquette, Mike Cone, Patricia Connelly, Joanne Johnson



March 13th through March 19th, 2023

Monday	9:00 A.M.	Men's Breakfast
	10:00 A.M.	Bible Study
Tuesday	2:00 P.M.	Bells

Wednesday	2:00 P.M.	Confirmation
	3:30 P.M.	The Chosen Episode 4
	5:00 P.M.	Midweek Lent Service
Thursday	7:30 A.M.	Workday
	1:00 P.M.	Council
	3:00 P.M.	Choir
Saturday	6:00 P.M.	Worship
Sunday	9:30 A.M.	HC Worship



"Men's Prayer Breakfast group will be hosting a Friendship Brunch following Sunday service on March 26th. All are invited, bring a friend or neighbor. Please sign up in the Narthex." Thanks, David Hass

## Notes From Pastor Griffin

- **We welcome our many visitors** here today and pray that God's Word will bless your heart and strengthen your faith. Please sign our guest book and come back again soon. If you're interested in joining our fellowship, please contact Pastor Griffin for more information.
- **Our overall sermon series theme** on our Lenten weekends is "**Questions of Lent.**"
- **Today's sermon theme is "Why Do We Quarrel?"** Three additional questions we ask today about our tendencies to resent, to be divided, and to hate. 1) What's the source of our quarreling? 2) Where does our quarreling lead? And 3) How does God respond to our quarreling?
- **Our Call Committee** has set March 4-19 as a time when all members of Faith Lutheran may nominate a rostered LCMS (Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod) pastor to be considered for our next Pastor. Nomination forms will be available in the church entry. Our Call Committee includes the following members: Dale Schluckbier (Chairman), Ann Panas (Secretary), Kathy Blondell, Melissa Climer, Joanne Fetzer, Gary Wygle, Dave Hass, Kurt Johnson, and Gloria Schultz.
- **Our Sunday morning Bible class** will be discussing Chapters 16-17 of Greg Finke's book, "Joining Jesus on His Mission." All are invited to join

us in the Fellowship Hall at 10:30 for coffee and snacks, and at 11 for Bible discussion.

- **Anyone wishing to have an elder pray with them**, please meet at the front of the sanctuary immediately after the service. Thanks, Dave Hass.
- **Volunteers Needed:** 1) To host Saturday night fellowship, 2) To host Sunday morning fellowship, 3) to help with monthly outreach mailings, 4) to provide altar flowers, and 5) to read Scriptures during Divine Service.
- **Mortgage Debt Retirement:** The Church Council is pleased to announce that we have set a goal to retire our church mortgage by Easter (April 9). At present, we owe approximately \$80,000. All donations marked for "Debt Reduction" will be matched by our treasury, dollar for dollar, up to \$40,000. As of March 6, \$16,607 has been donated.
- **All are invited to join us Wednesdays during Lent for a showing of the TV Series, "The Chosen," Season I.** This week, we will air the fourth episode.

### Upcoming Events

- Sunday, March 26, 11am - **Friendship Breakfast served by Men's Group**
- Thursday, April 6, 10 am - **HPS Hospice Volunteer's Luncheon**
- April 6, 7pm - **Maundy Thursday Service**
- **Good Friday Service** at 3pm
- **Easter Saturday Vigil Service** - 6pm
- **Easter Sunday Services** at 7:00am and 9:30am
- Saturday, April 22, 9am - **LWML Zone Rally** at Faith Lutheran
- April 29 and 30 at Divine Services - **Gideon's Presentation**

### Lenten Weekend Sermon Series - "Questions of Lent"

- **March 18 and 19 - Why Was This Man Born Blind?**
- **March 25 and 26 - Can These Bones Live?**
- **Palm Sunday - Why Bend Our Knees?**
- **Easter Sunday - Why Are You Crying?**

### Lenten Midweek Sermon Series - "Words From the Cross"

- **March 15 - "Alone in the Darkness"**
- **March 22 - "I'm Thirsty"**
- **March 29 - "It Is Finished"**
- **Good Friday - "Into Your Hands"**

### Prayer List

• **Health Concerns:** Ross, Alexandra (recent surgery), Linda Holthus (recently hospitalized), Marge Sawyer, Charles Lewis, Gloria Marquis (Hospice) Mary Borchardt, Wes Martin, Drake Daggett, Erica (granddaughter of Steve and Lois Schick) Panda (daughter of Steve and Lois Schick) Terry (son of Nancy Griffin), Terra (niece of Nancy Griffin), Becky Fix (sister-in-law of Melissa Climber), Felix, Scott (nephew of Carla Nicklas), Katie Arias,

Margaret Lehmann, Patricia Ulvund. **For our Call Committee**, that God's Spirit would guide and lead. **For the family of Jane Bozeman (cousin of Carla Nicklas)**, who recently passed away.

**HEARING ASSISTANCE** Please contact an Usher. **HOSPITALIZED OR NEED A VISIT?** Contact Pastor Griffin 507-420-2236 or contact your elder. If you're not sure who he is, call the church office 527-3325. Office hours are 9-12 Monday – Friday

