

# THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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*A Christ Caring People Who Gather Around Word and Sacrament,  
Yoked Together, In Personal Service to Christ in World Wide Missions*



## AS WE GATHER

God has a plan for each of us. He has an amazing and surprising plan individually crafted. It may not follow the pattern that we or those around feel it should be. But it is God's plan, shaped by His grace. We joyfully put our trust in the graciousness of the God who created, redeemed, and sanctifies us.

## WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the blue information card. Our Board of Elders are prayerful with our pastors about these joys and struggles of our earthly journey.

*"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16b*

## ✧ DIVINE SERVICE ✧

### OPENING HYMN "To Your Temple, Lord, I Come" (LSB 981)



1 To Your tem - ple, Lord, I come, For it  
2 I through Him am rec - on - ciled, I through  
3 While Your glo - rious praise is sung, Touch my  
4 While the prayers of saints as - cend, God of  
5 While I lis - ten to Your Law, Fill my



is my wor - ship home. This earth has no  
 Him be - come Your child. Ab - ba, Fa - ther,  
 lips, un - loose my tongue That my joy - ful  
 love, to mine at - tend. Hear me, for Your  
 soul with hum - ble awe Till Your Gos - pel



bet - ter place, Here I see my Sav - ior's face.  
 give me grace In Your courts Your love to trace.  
 soul may bless Christ the Lord, my righ - teous - ness.  
 Spir - it pleads; Hear, for Je - sus in - ter - cedes.  
 bring to me Life and im - mor - tal - i - ty.

**6 While Your ministers proclaim Peace and pardon in Your name,  
 Through their voice, by faith, may I Hear You speaking from the sky.**

**7 From Your house when I return, May my heart within me burn,  
 And at evening let me say, "I have walked with God today."**

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*(Please stand)*

### INVOCATION

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

**C Amen.**

### OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 118:24–26*

P This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**C Save us, we pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success!**

P Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

**C We bless you from the house of the LORD.**

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Let us make confession of our sins to God, our gracious heavenly Father.

**C Eternal God, we confess that we are sinners in need of forgiveness. By nature we are sinful from the very beginning of our life. Through our thoughts, words, and deeds, we continually sin against You. We have lived for ourselves in many ways, breaking Your**

**commands that direct us not to lie, steal, or transgress Your holy will. We have walked in the darkness of bad choices and have left unfulfilled opportunities to do good and be blessings to others. O God, in Your mercy, forgive our sin and free us from selfishness and indifference, that we may joyfully follow Your will and gladly obey Your commandments. Graciously forgive our sins and direct us in ways of compassion and love.**

**P** God promises to hear those who turn to Him with repentant hearts. Upon this your confession, in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it. Be at peace.

**C Amen.**

**☩ WORD ☩**

**KYRIE**

**C Have mercy on Your people, Lord. Have mercy, Christ, our King.  
Renew us by Your mercy, Lord; Accept the prayers we bring.**

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**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray. Heavenly Father, Your Son came not to be served but to serve. As we follow in His steps, give us wisdom, patience, and courage to serve in His name to all who suffer and are in need; for the love of Him who laid down His life for us, Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**    *Isaiah 42:14–21*    (The Lord will turn darkness into light.)

*After the reading:*

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**    “God So Loved the World” *(arr. Aaron David Miller)*

*Faith Choir*

**EPISTLE LESSON**    *Ephesians 5:8–14*    (Walking as children of the light)

*After the reading:*

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand)*

**HOLY GOSPEL**    *John 9:1–41* (Jesus heals a man who was born blind.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the ninth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

*After the reading:*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*(Please be seated)*

**SERMON HYMN**    “O Son of God, in Galilee”    (*LSB* 841)

**SERMON**    “*Seeing Jesus as Lord and Savior*” (*John* 9:25)  
Pastor Josh Baumann

*(Please stand)*

**CREED**    8:20am Apostles’ *Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book*  
11:00am Nicene *Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book*

*(Please be seated)*

**OFFERING** *We gather our tithes, gifts of love, and our “Building Together in Faith” gifts.*

*(Please stand)*

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P O holy Lord, You have opened the eyes of Your Church to behold the



light of Christ. Grant that we may always walk in His light and not return to the darkness of sin that blinds us to the truth of Your saving Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty God, it is shameful even to speak of the unfruitful works of darkness we fall into when we sin. We pray that You would send us pastors who expose our sin through the preaching of Your Law, and who also raise us from the death of sin through the preaching of Your holy Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Merciful Father, through holy Baptism You grant us the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Keep us firmly in the faith that You established in us, that we may always look to Christ alone for salvation with our eyes fixed upon His cross where He died for our sins, trusting in His resurrection for our justification. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Everlasting God, grant Your peace to all the nations of our world, and especially give wisdom and compassion to the leaders of our nation. Bless us also with faithful and devout citizens who will defend the weak and helpless, including the unborn and the infirm. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Gracious Lord, there are many in our world and community who are in need. We pray for those who are poor, homeless or hungry among us, that You would grant them all that they need to support this body and life. Open the hearts of all who are blessed with more than they need, that they would be generous toward those in want. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, we pray that You would grant gainful employment to all who are able to work but cannot find jobs that meet their needs or the needs of their families. Provide for their necessities and keep them from losing heart. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Blessed Lord, we pray that You would grant healing to all those who suffer from any affliction of body or soul [*including \_\_\_\_\_*]. Shine upon them with Your mercy, according to Your good and gracious will, and continually remind them of Your love and care for them. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, we know that You hear us as we pray and promise to answer in accord with Your will. Grant these things and whatsoever else You know that we need. Thanks be to You for Your mercy. Keep us in Your care and bring us at last to Your nearer presence with all the

saints who stand in Your light forever, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

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.**

The 8:20am service continues on page 8 with the Benediction.
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**IN REGARD TO HOLY COMMUNION:** According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22; Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they **receive the true body and blood of Jesus** given and shed for the forgiveness of their sins (Luke 22:19-22).

Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully understand the meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to **please speak with one of our pastors**, before communing, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

### **✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠** **11:00am Service**

#### **PREFACE**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

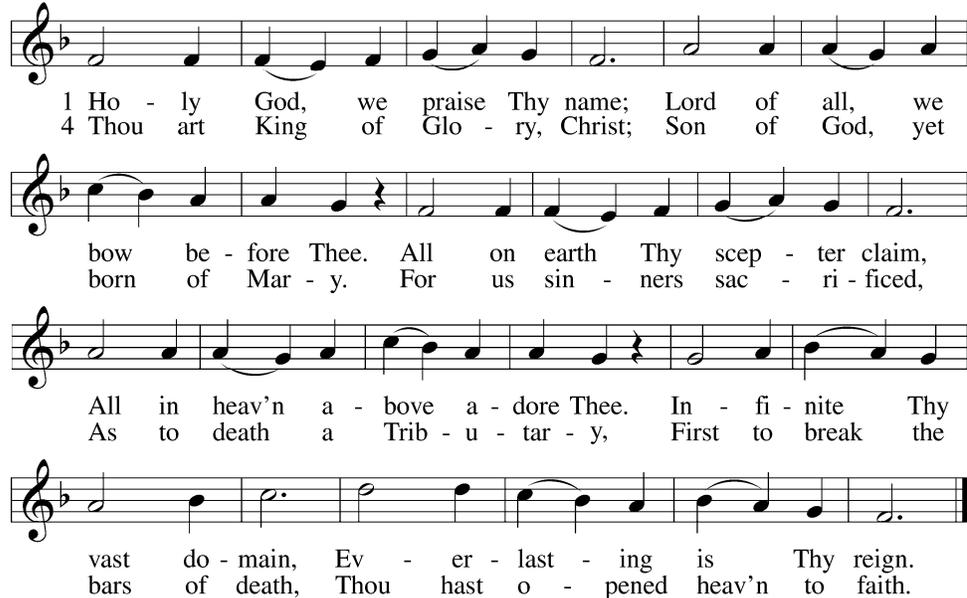
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give 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, Lord, our God, for You have had mercy on us and sent Your only-begotten Son, the

perfect substitute, to bring us salvation. Pour out upon us the gift of Your Spirit, that we may receive Your blessings with thankfulness. Grant that we may receive the body and blood of our Lord as the guarantee of our salvation and as a foretaste of the feast to come in Your eternal kingdom. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and praise, together with the Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**SANCTUS** “Holy God, We Praise Thy Name” (*LSB* 940, sts. 1, 4-5)



1 Ho - ly God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we  
4 Thou art King of Glo - ry, Christ; Son of God, yet  
bow be - fore Thee. All on earth Thy scep - ter claim,  
born of Mar - y. For us sin - ners sac - ri - ficed,  
All in heav'n a - bove a - dore Thee. In - fi - nite Thy  
As to death a Trib - u - tar - y, First to break the  
vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is Thy reign.  
bars of death, Thou hast o - pened heav'n to faith.

**5 Holy Father, holy Son, Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;  
Though in essence only one, Undivided God we claim Thee  
And, adoring, bend the knee While we own the mystery.**

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**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**P** Lord of heaven and earth, we praise You for bringing light to a darkened world. We bless You for calling us to be people who walk as children of the light and thank You for inviting us to Your Holy Table. Joined together in the name of our Lord and in the communion of saints, we pray You to pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us to sanctify and renew us in body and soul for the sake of Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

**C Amen.**

**WORDS OF OUR LORD**

*Matt 26:26–28; Mk 14:22–24; Lk 22:19–20; 1 Cor 11:23–25*

**PAX DOMINI**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

**AGNUS DEI** “Lamb of God” (*LSB 550*)

*(Please be seated)*

**Crossed Hands** – The Board of Elders would find it helpful that when you desire to receive the communion wafer in your hand that you extend your hands in front of you. It is a nice tradition that you cross your hands simply placing your top hand crossed in the palm of the lower hand.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

“When to Our World the Savior Came” (*LSB 551*)

“Amazing Grace” (*LSB 744*)

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” (*LSB 411*)



*(Please stand)*

**POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

**P** Let us pray. Blessed are You, heavenly Father, for You have once again fed and nourished us at Your Table through the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. As Lord of our lives, strengthen and support us so that we may walk as children of the light and, sharing that kindly light, proclaim Your love to all the world. Bless us day by day and keep us hope-filled as we await Your eternal kingdom, where You live and reign with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

**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.

*Numbers 6:24–26*

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN “God, Whose Almighty Word” (LSB 979)

1 God, whose al - might - y word Cha - os and  
2 Lord, who once came to bring, On Your re -  
3 Spir - it of truth and love, Life - giv - ing,  
4 Ho - ly and bless - ed Three, Glo - ri - ous

dark - ness heard And took their flight: Hear us, we  
deem - ing wing, Heal - ing and sight, Health to the  
ho - ly dove, Speed forth Your flight; Move on the  
Trin - i - ty, Wis - dom, love, might! Bound - less as

hum - bly pray, And where the Gos - pel day  
sick in mind, Sight to the in - ly blind:  
wa - ter's face, Bear - ing the lamp of grace,  
o - cean's tide, Roll - ing in full - est pride,

Sheds not its glo - rious ray, Let there be light!  
Oh, now to hu - man-kind Let there be light!  
And in earth's dark - est place Let there be light!  
Through the earth, far and wide, Let there be light!

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**Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Fourth Sunday in Lent!** We are delighted to have you in worship with us. If you are visiting from out of town, we bid you welcome and God-speed on your journey. Should you be from our community, and have no church home, we invite you to make Faith your church home. Greeting you this morning:

**Before Early Service**

John & Velda Bartel  
Marrill & Sandy Bales

**After Early Service**

Danny & Cheri Adams  
Dallan & Jackie Hoefener



**Before Late Service**

Dorothy Rausch  
Steve & Heidi Kampfe

**Preaching** this morning is Reverend Joshua Baumann, our Associate Pastor. Reverend Cory Rajek, our Senior Pastor, is our Liturgist.



**Holy Communion** is celebrated at our 11:00 service this Sunday. In this Sacrament, our Lord brings us strength and forgiveness to be about His vision and mission. Those confirmed Lutherans who come to the Sacrament of the Altar today are asked to read the communion side of our information card found in the pew rack and to sign the bottom of the reverse side so that our communion records might be complete.

**Adult Bible Study** Join us as we continue with our study in Genesis at 9:45. Hope to see you there.

**Sunday School** Sunday School is for all children age 3 by September 1, 2016. Green registration sheets are located on the information table in the Narthex.

**Nursery** Nursery is available during the 11:00 service. Nursery is located in the **F/G Room downstairs**. It is for children ages infant through 5 year olds.

**Nursing Moms** can find a comfortable rocker in the Daycare. This is NOT a Nursery for young children, just a quiet, private place for nursing moms.

**God Be With You!**

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**Our Broadcasts** Our Sonrise Broadcast is made possible this week by our Faith congregation.

*Did you know that "Sonrise" is streamed on KCCR live? If you are away, log on to [www.TodaysKCCR.com](http://www.TodaysKCCR.com). The Broadcast schedules are on the traveling Bulletin board, which is in the Narthex. COST:* You may sponsor the radio broadcast of Sonrise for \$30.00. This radio

broadcast is on 1240 AM KCCR at 6:40 a.m. on Sunday morning.

**Lenten Wed. Att. 271;** Offering \$358.00; **Sun., Mar. 19 Att. 422;** General Fund \$9,029.05; Building Fund \$5,580.00 (Debt Retirement \$5,580.00); Sunday School \$8.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Thrivent Automatic Withdrawal \$3,323.00 (General \$3,038.00, Debt Retirement \$95.00, Building \$180.00, Love Fund \$10.00); Facility Use Donation \$100.00; Café Sola \$8.00; Food Pantry \$125.00.

### *This Week at Faith Lutheran*

**Today: Mar. 26**

8:20 am Worship  
9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study  
11:00 am Communion  
3:00-6:00 pm Softball  
7:00 pm Board of Stewardship

**Mon: Mar. 27**

5:15 pm Altar Guild Meeting  
7:00 pm Priscilla Circle

**Tues: Mar. 28**

8:25 am Staff Devotions  
10:15 am "Soul Spa" Women's Study  
4:00 pm Homeschool PE  
5:30 pm "Entrusted" Bible Study  
6:30 pm Choir  
6:30 pm Church Council  
7:30-9:00 pm Pickleball

**Wed: Mar. 29**

11:00 am Lenten Worship  
6:30 pm Midweek  
7:00 pm Lenten Worship  
8:00 pm LYF Youth meeting

**Thurs: Mar. 30**

7:00 am Men's Bible Study  
8:25 am Staff Devotions  
6:00-9:00 pm Softball  
6:30 pm "Entrusted" Bible Study

**Sat: Apr. 1**

9:30 am-3:00 pm Bible Bowl at Faith

**Sun: Apr. 2**

8:20 am Communion  
9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study  
11:00 am Worship  
3:00-6:00 pm Softball  
6:30 pm "Ezra/Nehemiah" Bible Study



## BUILDING NEWS

**Thank you for your continued gifts to our Building Fund** – We thank you for your gifts last Sunday to the Building Fund of \$5,855.00. The gifts were designated as follows:

The Debt Retirement Account: \$5,675.00

The Building Account: \$180.00

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**Ushers Needed** There are two openings for ushers during the 8:20 service for the months of January, May, and September. Any confirmed male or female member of Faith may usher. If you are interested in helping during this time frame, please contact Bill Dunn at 222-1805 or Monte Farnsworth at 224-4786. Thank you very much!

**Little Dresses for Africa** Deadline for completion is April 9<sup>th</sup>.



**LWML** Please come to our April 10th LWML meeting and hear about Nick and Annette Hill's mission work at Cherry Creek in South Dakota. Some of the Country Fair funds went to help fund this mission work. Annette Hill will be our speaker for the evening. We will be having a Silent Auction that evening too with the proceeds going to the Cherry Creek mission work. Baked goods, new or slightly used items are very welcome for our auction. We meet at 7:00 in the St. Paul room. Bring a friend and join us for some fun fellowship and Gospel spreading news here in central South Dakota!

**Daycare Needs** Our Daycare is in need of part-time substitutes. If you enjoy children and have a bit of time, they would appreciate your help. You would be paid hourly. Check with Jen at Daycare (224-4748) if you would be willing to help.

**Church Photo Directories** Our Photo Directories have arrived! Please pick yours up today. They are on the table in the Living Room and are labeled for each family.

**Pancake & Sausage Breakfast** The Men's Network at Faith Lutheran will be serving breakfast on Palm Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> between services, to help raise funds for the Hong Kong Mission Trip. Nick Hill is making plans to go again this year and we would like to help support this outreach program. This will be a free-will offering event.



**LAST WEEK TO DONATE!!!** March is the month for Faith Lutheran's Food Drive to benefit the Pierre/Ft. Pierre Food Pantry. Your donations are tremendously important!

Pick up extra items when they are on sale. Start picking up couple things here, a couple

things there and before you know it you have a nice selection to donate and it was a little easier on the budget.

### Items Needed At All Times

- Baked beans, and pork & beans
- Cereal and oatmeal
- Cream soups, chunky soups, and chili
- Fruit juices
- Pancake mix and syrup
- Peaches, pears, and fruit cocktail
- Potato mixes, rice mixes, and stuffing mixes
- Saltine crackers
- Spaghetti sauce and tomato sauce
- Sugar, flour, cooking oil, and evaporated milk
- Tomatoes (diced or whole)
- Tuna, Spam, Treet

**Forever Young** In April Forever Young will have our noon meal on Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, after our Lenten service. So come for the early Lenten service and stay for lunch. It is a regular potluck. Always good food and great fellowship! Hope to see you there!



**Softball League** Faith Lutheran hopes to again play in the Men's Friday night softball league during the summer months starting in May. We have a great core group of guys but we need more players. If you are interested, please contact Dennis Ryckman soon at 222-7713 to be added to the roster.

**Contributions** If you are using your offering envelopes, it would be helpful to Helen if you would also put your name on each envelope as you use them. We are going to be using a new program and have found that a few envelope numbers did not get posted to their **new** owners. In these cases I need to know who now has that number so I can get the contributions posted to the correct persons. Your help will be greatly appreciated! Also, **please** make sure you are using **your own envelopes** and not those of your children. If there is no name on the envelope, I will assume the contribution belongs to the envelope number. If your name is on the envelope and your child's name comes up I can look up your number and make the change. Otherwise it will be posted to the envelope number. Once posted, very difficult to change. Your help will be greatly appreciated. Helen

**Preschool Director Position** If you are aware of anyone who would be interested in applying for the position of Preschool Director, please let the church office (224-2216) or Shelley Larson, chairperson of the Board of Early Childhood Education, know. Her number is 605-280-6245. The

position requires a four year degree in Early Childhood Education or Elementary Education.  
Thank you!

**Preschool Registration** Registration continues for the 2017-2018 year at preschool. You may find a form on the information table in the Narthex. Please return to the church office as soon as possible. Questions? Call Jan Larson at 224-6574.

**Main Street Living** **Did you know** the Main Street Living program is broadcast throughout South Dakota and into bordering states on two TV stations: KDLT in Sioux Falls at 10:00 AM central and KEVN at 8:00 AM mountain in Rapid City? **Did you know** you can see the Worship Service and Kid's Crossing on our website at anytime? All programs are streamed on [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com), and are available the day before they are broadcast.

**Kid's Crossing**-Jemimah learns about the woman who met Jesus at the well.

**March 26, 2017**-Today's presentation "Jesus Opens the Eyes of the Blind" is given by Rev. Jens Jenson of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Armour South Dakota. The message is based on John 9. The Main Street Living Choir will lead the singing of: God loved the World, So That He Gave; The People that In Darkness Sat; and Christ, the Life of All the Living. The program is interpreted and closed captioned for the hearing impaired.

**Life Quotes** "The trap of a human philosophy and society shaped by merely utilitarian aims will always (and I mean 'always') lead to horror and hatred. Always. No matter how smart we get, how advanced our technical skills, how 'scientific' we think we are, the human person is more than what we can see. If we weren't more than that, there would be no art, no beauty, no poetry. We are more than what we see!" *Fr. Barnabas Powell, Cumming, Georgia – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)

## Faith Lutheran Youth - F.L.Y.

*Here's what happening with the youth of Faith Lutheran....*



*Acolytes for March/April*

### **March 26**

Early: Jessica Weber, Daniel Voita

Late: Daniel Magee, Trevor Hayes

**+March 29 LENT 7:00-7:45 p.m.**

7:00: Cassidy Miller, Brooke Miller

### **April 2**

Early: Damon Hoftiezer, Brady Hoftiezer

Late: Melissa Hedglin, Jesse Jares

**+April 5 LENT 7:00-7:45 p.m.**

7:00: Trevor Hayes, Lane Pope

**April 9 Palm Sunday**

Early: Hannah Lingle, Caiden Jost  
Late: Tucker Berens, Trevor Penrod

**April 13 Maundy Thursday**

7:00: Maria Noyes, Deni Zeeb

**April 14 Good Friday**

7:00 (Need 4) Kaycee Carter, Kamden Carter, Nate Hill, Ethan Hill

**April 16 EASTER!**

Early: (Need 5) Ladd Kramme, Lane

Kramme, Nathan Shoup, Jordan Thompson, Sammie Axtell

Late: (Need 5) Britney Hicks, Joseph King, Melissa Hedglin, Daniel Voita, Cassandra VanDeWiele

**April 23**

Early: Ethan Hill, Bailey Nelson

Late: Brady Hofteizer, Damon Hofteizer

**April 30 Confirmation Sunday**

Early: Cassandra Ryckman,  
Adam Schochenmaier

\* If acolytes are not able to be present for their assigned day, it is their responsibility to call someone else to find a replacement and then notify the church office. Thank you so very much!

**Verse(s) of the Week: (NIV)**

*James 5:13-16 "Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him... Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working."*

**→ PRAYERS of all types and sorts:**

This day we bring before God in prayer all those children who have undergone recent traumatic injuries including: car accidents, vicious attacks, falls, abuse at the hands of others, fires, or hunger that God would sustain any in danger and grant His love and healing to all those affected.

**Lord in Your mercy...Hear my prayer.**

+ Please join us in the Lord's House for Lenten Worship Wednesdays at 11 am and 7 pm through the duration of Lent. The Sermon Series is entitled: The Sign of Jonah. This coming Wednesday the focus is: *Our Providing God*.

**→ Sunday School Children Singing Dates for the Remainder of the Year:**

Here are the Sundays the N-4<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School will be singing at the 11 a.m. service: **Apr. 9<sup>th</sup>** (Palm Sunday); & **May 14<sup>th</sup>** (Midweek Children Sing on May 14<sup>th</sup>).



→ **The Theme for this year's Vacation Bible School will be: A Mighty Fortress: In Jesus the Victory is Won!** Our VBS dates for this year are: June 5-9. Sing-ups for adult volunteers, decorations, and helpers will be made available in April.

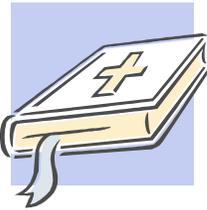
**TEACHERS of Faith Lutheran Church:** (Midweek, Sunday School, Adult Bible Studies—Men's... Ladies... In-home etc. — along with our Daycare, & Pre-school Staff & Teachers)... Join us for a **NOON LUNCHEON** in the gym with your family Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> after the 11 o'clock worship in your honor! Our way of saying thanks for all that you do! We will have lunch, door prizes, and a small program. We praise God for your all service!



- Lent Worship - 7:00 to 7:45 on Wednesdays during the season of Lent
- Good Friday Baked Potato Meal from 5:00-6:15 pm on Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>
- Easter Breakfast – Easter Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup> in between the services.

→ **Easter Sunday Egg Bakes**

The signup sheet for contributing to the assortment of Easter Sunday Egg Bakes is available on the back table in the Narthex. **THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH** for your generous contributions to our youth! -Easter Breakfast is Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup> in between the services.



**J.Y.M. Circuit Bible Camp \*5<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> Gr.**  
**\*(for the 2017 school year)**  
**Mon, July 17, - Thurs, July 20<sup>th</sup> 2017**  
**Valentine, NE**  
**Cost: \$90 w/ \$30 Faith Scholarship**  
**Information & sign-up on the back table in the Church Narthex**



→ **Did you know?** We actually have two camp options for this summer. Camp Minneboji is June 25-July 1, and Circuit Bible Camp will be July 17-20 in Valentine, Nebraska for those heading into 5th grade through those heading into 9th grade and includes tubing on the Niobrara.

Pastor Baumann has received the booklet information on Camp Minneboji and those are



located on the back table in the Narthex for potential campers to grab. There are also two online ways you can get information for camp as well. The first is the Camp Minneboji website which is: <http://www.angelfire.com/my/bojiblabber/>

The second is the Cam Minneboji Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/campminneboji> If you can, check out the website and Facebook page. And again this year, Faith Lutheran will scholarship each participant \$90 to attend Camp Minneboji and \$30 to cover part of the \$90 cost of Circuit Bible Camp. We would also work to coordinate transportation to and from the camp destinations for both camps. Please e-mail ([faith@faithluth.com](mailto:faith@faithluth.com)) or speak with Pastor Baumann concerning any questions. Please sign up early so we know correct numbers.

**Upcoming Youth Dates to Keep in Mind:**

April 1<sup>st</sup> → Bible Bowl at Faith

Apr. 14<sup>th</sup> → Good Friday Baked Potato Meal from 5:00-6:15 pm

Apr. 16<sup>th</sup> → Easter Breakfast – Easter Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup> between the services

Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup> → Teacher Appreciation Lunch at noon

Apr. 30<sup>th</sup> → Confirmation reception service at 11 am and reception in between services at 9:45

May 3<sup>rd</sup> → Last day of Midweek

May 14<sup>th</sup> → Last day of Sunday School

May 14<sup>th</sup> → Midweek students sing at the 11 o'clock service

June 5-9<sup>th</sup> → Vacation Bible School 6:00-8:30 pm - *A Mighty Fortress*

June 27-June 30<sup>th</sup> → Circuit Bible Camp

June 26-July 2<sup>nd</sup> → Camp Minneboji



**On the Lighter Side:**

Q: How can you tell the ocean is friendly?

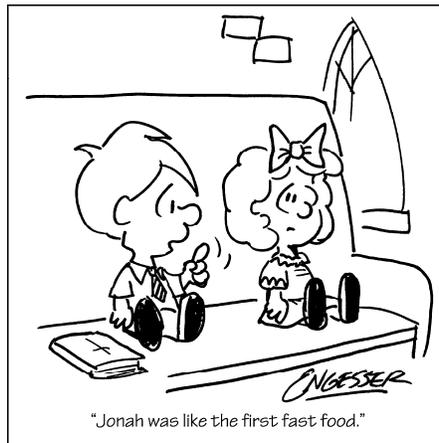
A: If it waves.

Q: What kind of hair do oceans have?

A: Wavy!

Q: Where does seaweed go to look for a job?

A: The kelp wanted section.



### ***Congregational Prayers***

Dottie Bossman (Daria's daughter-in-law)  
 Martha Vance  
 Ben Shoup  
 Richard Zoller  
 Julian Olson  
 Elaine Phillips (Daria Bossman's mom)  
 Gene Schlichenmayer  
 Mike Youngberg  
 Zoe Jones  
 Signe Gaasch (Urbach's) 5/2/16  
 Elaine Wagner 6/30/16  
 Jeannette Protexter 7/18/16  
 Ripley Olson (Alberta Olson) 8/4/16  
 Doyle Charron (Jochim) 8/8/16  
 Ron Lawrence 8/14/16  
 Red Westall 8/21/16  
 Jennifer Moser (Darline Fuoss) 9/4/16  
 Logan Krause (Kenefick-Aschoff) 9/4/16  
 Jody Williams 10/17/16  
 Betty Fuhrman (Sheri Adney's mom)  
 10/23/16  
 Susan Bennett 10/31/16  
 Ginger Niemann 11/10/16

Jeffrey Neuberger (April Hodges) 1/9/17  
 Jean Carlson (Gail Eichstadt) 1/15/17  
 John Walker 2/19/17  
 Aaron Zimmerman 2/26/17  
 Barbara Ranger (Norma Schilling) 3/1/17  
 Bernice Huber 3/2/17  
 Jeanne Schweigert 3/3/17  
 Loretta Goehring 3/7/17  
 George Schofield (Tina Haug) 3/14/17  
 Jay Fredrich 3/17/17  
 David Knapp (Dale Knapp) 3/21/17  
 Marla Fuller (Dale Knapp) 3/21/17

### **Missionaries**

Pastor Andrew Utecht and Pastor Albert Sutton and their families on the Rosebud and Pine Ridge Reservations

Pastor Matthew Nix

Pastor Alan Ludwig – Siberia, Russia

Janet Borchard – Papua New Guinea

Pastor Daniel Jastram – Japan

**Comfort**      *Deut. 34:8*

The family of Harlow Bales upon his death.  
2/26/17

Jen Hovelson (Daycare Director) and family  
upon the death of her father. 3/7/17

Janet Kaiser and family upon the death of  
her mom Violet Kaiser. 3/13/17

Lurene Denke & family upon the death her  
sister-in-law Rose Mogler. 3/13/17

Gail Eichstadt and family upon the death of  
her mom Jean Carlson. 3/17/17

**The Christian Church on Earth** that it  
may grow and prosper and especially for the  
safety of Christians in China, North Korea,  
Syria and Madagascar.