

THE FIRST 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*



† DIVINE SERVICE †

SUNDAY SCHOOL SINGS (11:00) "Zacchaeus"
"Peter, James, and John in a Sailboat"

OPENING HYMN "Jesus, Lead Thou On" (LSB 718)

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

EXHORTATION

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**
P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the gifts of our Lord Jesus Christ through Word and Sacrament, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

- C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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.**

T **WORD** T

INTROIT

Ps. 105:4-7; (antiphon: Ps. 105:8)

- P When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and honor him.
- C **With long life I will satisfy him
and show him my salvation.**
- P Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place –
The Most High, who is my refuge –
- C **no evil shall be allowed to befall you,
no plague come near your tent.**
- P For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.
- C **On their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you strike your foot against a stone.**
- P You will tread on the lion and the adder;
the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.
- C **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 When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and honor him. With long life I will satisfy him
and show him my salvation.

KYRIE



G Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT *Deuteronomy 6:4-6* (Love the Lord Your God)

⁴ "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.^[a] ⁵ You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶ And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart.

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM "Come to Jesus" (*Chris Rice, arr. Mark Hayes*) *Laura Streich, vocal soloist*

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 10:6-13* (Warnings from Israel's History)

⁶ Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷ Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play." ⁸ We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹ We must not put Christ^[a] to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, ¹⁰ nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed

by the Destroyer. ¹¹ Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. ¹² Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. ¹³ No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand)

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 4:1-11* (Jesus is led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth 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)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN “Lord, Throughout These Forty Days” (LSB 418)

SERMON “Mercy in Temptation” (Matthew 4:1-11)
 Pastor Sam Handschke

CREED	8:30am	Apostles’	<i>Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book</i>
	11:00am	Nicene	<i>Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book</i>

OFFERING

We gather our tithes and gifts of love.

(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 Lord, You sought Adam and Eve in the garden and called them to repentance. Seek us when we wander from Your Holy Word, and give us contrite hearts to confess our sins and receive the forgiveness and restoration You promise us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Father in heaven, Your Son trampled the serpent underfoot and freed us from sin and death by His own death on the cross. Protect and preserve all called to preach Christ and Him crucified. Command Your angels to guard them in all their ways and bear them up for the sake of Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P O Lord, You created the home as the place where we are brought up in the ways of truth, goodness and mercy. Sustain parents in their sacred charge, and grant that our homes would be places of confession and forgiveness of sins. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P O Lord, You have established earthly authorities to punish evil and praise those who do good. Grant our rulers humble hearts to resist the allure of power and to worship You alone. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Almighty God, Your Son was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to suffer temptation for our sake. Strengthen us when we are tempted, and teach us to rely upon Your Word as our defense against the evil one. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Almighty God, send Your holy angels to protect and keep us in Your ways, that no evil may befall us. Graciously behold the needy, the sick and the troubled [*especially* _____]. Satisfy us with long life, and show us Your salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, heavenly Father, You have given us a refuge from the world in the Body of Christ. Protect us from all evils of body and soul, that we would find rest in this life and eternal rest in Your heavenly embrace; through the same 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 8:30 am service continues on page 9 with the Benedicamus and Benediction.

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 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 †

11:00 am Service

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

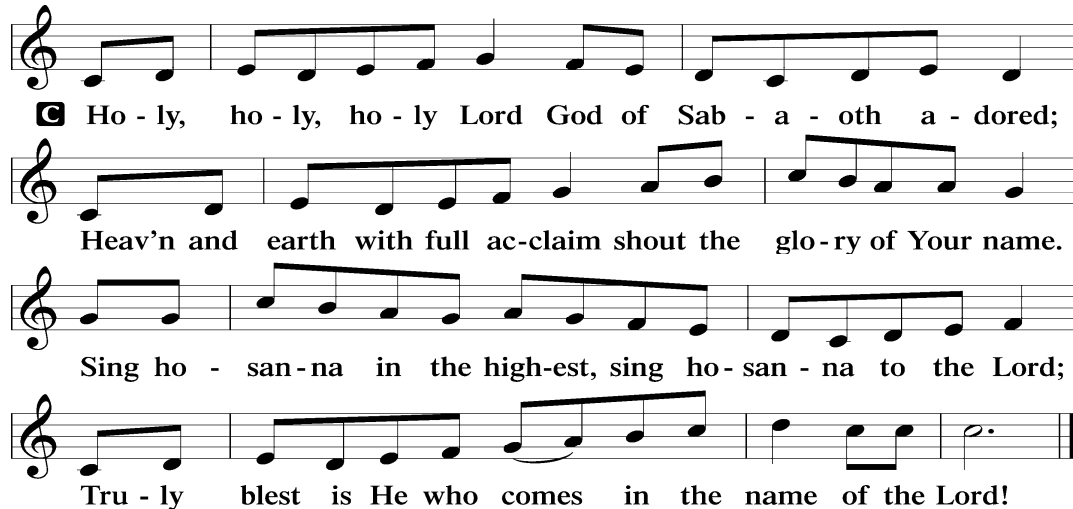
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

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, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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



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!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give thanks that on

Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many.

As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

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

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,
And grant us peace, O Lord,



(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"On Eagles' Wings" (LSB 727)

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" (LSB 655)

(Please stand)

NUNC DIMITTIS

1 O Lord, now let to Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His

kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**



BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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 T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

“O Christ, You Walked the Road”

(LSB 424)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT



AS WE GATHER In this service for Week 1 of Lent in our In View of God's Mercy series, we look at our lives through the lens of God's love toward us in the sacrifice of his Son, Jesus. In this service, we recall that in the midst of temptation, our merciful God provides us with a way out through Christ, who was tempted just as

we are, yet without sin.

*What mercy God showed to our race, A plan of rescue by His grace:
In sending One from woman's seed, The One to fill our greatest need—
For on a tree uplifted high His only Son for sin would die,
Would drink the cup of scorn and dread To crush the ancient serpent's head! LSB561:3*

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the back of the blue attendance/communion 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

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this First 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.

Preaching today is Reverend Sam Handschke.

Holy Communion is celebrated at our 11:00 service this Sunday. In this Sacrament, our Lord gives His true body and blood for our forgiveness. Those who confess the faith declared at this altar and who desire to receive communion today are asked to read our communion statement found in the bulletin. Thank you.



Want to listen to our worship service via livestream? Go to: www.faithluth.com. Click on livestream and it will take you to the service or if you have missed the service it will take you to the archived services. We livestream our 8:30 service each Sunday.

The Kings of Israel Bible study will meet today in the St. Luke room. The Kings of Israel Bible study will **NOT** meet next Sunday, March 5th.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Wed. Feb. 15, Att. 67; Offering \$320.00; **Sun., Feb. 19, Att. 230;** General Fund \$8,201.66; Sunday School Offering \$12.00; Building Fund \$2,190.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$350.00; Organ Fund \$50.00;

Endowment Fund in memory of Irene Wilson (Undesignated) \$55.00 and (Generations) \$65.00.

Endowment Fund When giving to the Endowment Fund **PLEASE** make it a **SEPARATE CHECK**. Must be a **CHECK** as the account doesn't accept cash for the deposit. It is not always easy to find a check for the correct amount to substitute for cash or for a check made out for multiple purposes that includes an Endowment donation. The counters would greatly appreciate your help in this matter. Thank you.

Church Photo
Directory



If you were unable to make an appointment to have your picture in our church directory, **you may submit a photo that we can scan and put in the directory**. We would love to have all of our members in the directory. This is a wonderful way for our congregants to get to identify one another and to match a face to a name. It is especially helpful to new members. **If any of your contact numbers have changed please let us know so our directory can be as complete as possible.** Thanks!

Interested in the Mexico Mission Trip? Are you interested in going on the Mexico Mission trip in 2023? If so, we need to hear from you soon. There will be a meeting on Sunday, January 29 at 7:00pm to share information. Please contact Dennis or Carolyn Ryckman (605-280-6347) for more information.

Men's Club We will meet this Monday evening (2/27) to practice for the Dartball tournament coming up this weekend (March 4). We will meet in Jon's Place upstairs above the Preschool room at 6:30. If anyone is interested please feel free to join us. High school youth and women are welcome.

THE WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

Wednesday, March 1

“Grace for the Despairing”

Wednesday, March 8

“Grace for the Lost”

Wednesday, March 15

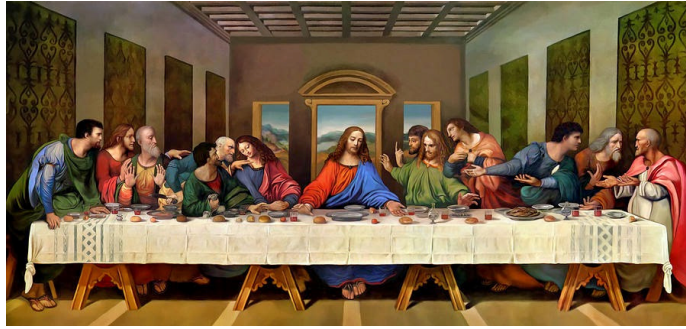
“Grace for the Blind”

Wednesday, March 22

“Grace for Those Ashamed”

Wednesday, March 29
“Grace for the Wretched”

LOOKING AHEAD TO PALM SUNDAY



LIVING LAST SUPPER

Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Invite your friends and neighbors for this moving portrayal of Jesus' last evening with the disciples before His crucifixion.

HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday, April 5

“Grace for the Loveless”

Good Friday, April 6

“Grace for the Guilty”

Easter, April 9

“Grace for Those Who Lament”

Faith Lutheran Youth

High School Girls Bible Study – All High School girls are invited to join in on this Bible Study. Come and bring friends! This study will began Monday, February 6, 2023. The study will be every Monday at 7:00 PM. Please contact Cassandra Ryckman for details - 222-4895.

Dinner and a Movie Night The Board of Parish Fellowship will sponsor this event on **Sunday, March 5th**. The movie, “The Prince of Egypt,” will be shown from 5-6:30 PM

in the Sanctuary. Following the movie there will be pizza in the Fellowship Hall. Bring the whole family and your friends for this special showing.

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Feb. 26

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study

11:00 am Communion

1:00 pm

5:00 pm Board of Education

6:30 pm 1, 2, 3, John Bible Study

Mon: Feb. 27

6-9 pm Pickleball

6:30 pm Christ Care

Tues: Feb. 28

8:00 am Staff Devotions

10:30 am Women's Bible Study

5:30 pm Board of Early Education

6-9 pm Fastpitch

7-8:30 pm Choir (Living Last Supper)

Wed: Mar. 1

11:00 am Lenten Worship

5:15-6:45 pm Lenten Meal

6:00 pm Midweek/Catechism

6:00 pm Hebrews Study

6:00 pm Romans Bible Study

7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Worship

8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: Mar. 2

8:00 am Staff Devotions

5-8 pm MOPS in Gym

7:00 pm Psalms Bible Study in Sanct.

Sun: Mar. 5

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study

11:00 am Communion

1:00 pm Board of Stewardship/Endow

2-6 pm Fastpitch

6:30 pm 1, 2, 3, John Bible Study