

PALM SUNDAY

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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 – Prepare for an emotional roller coaster. The great and holy week begins with the cheers and seeming triumph of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. No sooner, however, do we say, "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord" than we realize we have been ushered to the foot of the cross and the darkness of the shocking outcome of His coming---suffering, hatred, blood, and death. Our joyful, hopeful expectations have been dashed and we have been reduced to despair. This is what John the Baptist meant when he called us to repent; to totally give up on ourselves so that God can move in His mysterious way the wondrous gift of forgiveness to perform. So He will take the repentant, tearful soul and restore life in the resurrection---life even better than we had ever dreamed or hoped. Life doesn't always turn out the way you expect! Thanks be to God!

THE 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.

"...and call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me." Psalm 50:15

THE RINGING BELL CALLS US INTO THE PRESENCE OF OUR HOLY LORD

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN *"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" LSB 443
(We cheerfully rise and sing)*

OUR CHILDREN SING 11:00 *"March On Little Donkey"
"A-B-C-D-E-F-G"
Nursery – 2nd Grade*



THE INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

P Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna!

C Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna!

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Brothers and sisters in Christ, we have come together to hear God's Word. Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him for mercy and forgiveness for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Gracious heavenly Father,
C we confess that we have sinned against You, especially in letting the circumstances of this world dull us to Your use of all things for our good. So often we have failed to expect Your gracious rescue in times of stress. We have depended more on our own efforts than on Your almighty power. Forgive us, Father.

P Lord Jesus Christ,

C we confess that we have often become too attached to our power, possessions, and prestige. We have failed to see them all as gifts from You. Forgive us, Lord Jesus.

P O Holy Spirit,

C we confess that we have sought to control the Church for our own ends. We have failed to return a bounty of praise and a harvest of souls to the true Owner. Strengthen our faith and restore in us the desire to do all to the glory of the rejected stone who has become the cornerstone, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

P The Lord has done great things for us. *Psalm 126:3* He has done a new thing *Isaiah 43:19* and given us "the righteousness from God that depends on faith." *Philippians 3:9*
He has incorporated us into the Church, of which Christ "has become the cornerstone."
Luke 20:17

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!

THE KYRIE *"Lamb of God, Pure and Holy" LSB 434 vs.1*
Lamb of God, pure and holy, Who on the cross didst suffer,
Ever patient and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer.
All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o'er us:
Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

THE SALUTATION (*Spoken*)

2 Timothy 4:22

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

THE COLLECT

Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT Deuteronomy 32:36-39 (*There is no other God.*)

THE SPECIAL MUSIC 8:20 “Hosanna, Hosanna”...Antonio Caldara, arr. Carpenter
Faith Choir

THE EPISTLE READING Philippians 2:5-11 (*Follow Christ's humility*)

Joel 2:13

C 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.

THE HOLY GOSPEL St. Matthew 21:1-11 (*The traditional Palm Sunday reading.*)

THE FEEDING OF THE LITTLE LAMBS

THE SERMON HYMN “All Glory, Laud and Honor” LSB 442
Verses 1 & 5 All
Verses 2 & 4 Women & Girls
Verse 3 Men & Boys

THE SERMON

“HIStory – His Love”

St. Luke 23:34a

Pastor Levi Willms

THE APOSTLES’ CREED *see the inside back cover of the Hymnal*

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE GREETING OF ONE ANOTHER

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

STEWARDSHIP NOTES *Our Financial Secretary, Posters and Counters would ask four things –*

- *please use your envelopes*
- *please print the amount very carefully*
- *If you are giving to more than one item, you certainly can use one check, we are grateful for all giving, yet multiple checks are very helpful as the counters seek to keep all the different accounts straight and without counting and posting errors.*
- *If you use “Simply Giving”, our automatic withdrawal giving program, please mark that on the envelope or use the “Simply Giving” Stickers found in the Stewardship tract rack under the ground breaking shovel.*



Thanks! This makes our Financial Secretary, poster’s and counter’s task much easier and helps us avoid mistakes.

THE OFFERTORY ~ Create In Me

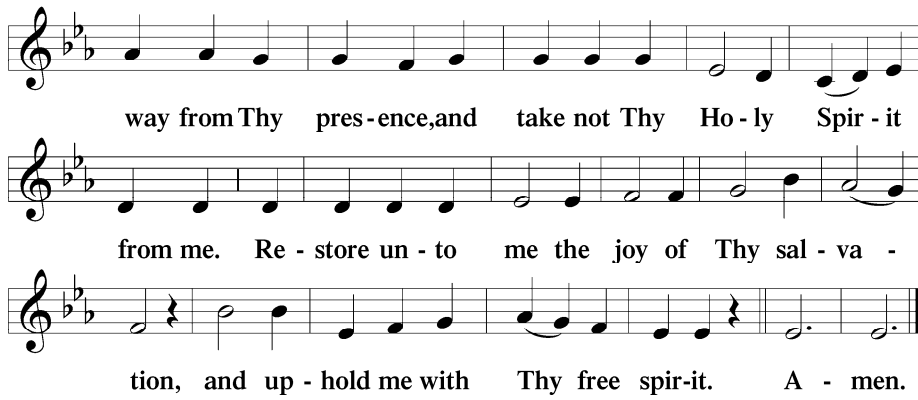
Psalm 51:10-12



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it
 from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-
 tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Almighty God, in this most holy of weeks we come before You in humility with our prayers for all of Your people in the Holy Church throughout the world, and for everyone according to their needs. Inspire in Your people here and everywhere love for Your house and zeal in Your service. Give to all ministers of Your Word and Sacraments the abundance of Your grace and truth that they may serve You faithfully. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Breathe on the nations of the whole world the spirit of peace and understanding. Grant to all in authority a true desire for peace and liberty. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P We pray for our Faith family and its friends in the midst of life's joys and struggles... Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P We give thanks for all Your servants who have departed this life in Your faith and fear and pray You give us grace to follow them as they followed Christ. Bring us, with them, to those things which eye has not seen, nor ear heard. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Although we have deserved Your righteous wrath and punishment, yet we ask You, O most merciful Father, not to remember the sins of our youth nor our many transgressions. 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. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

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 BENEDICTION *(With Sung Amens)*

Numbers 6:24-26

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.



☐ A-men, a-men, a - men.

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN “Ride On, Ride On in Majesty” LSB 441



Lenten Notes – The season of Lent is 40 days long excluding the

Sundays “in” Lent... This parallels the 40 days of temptation of Jesus in the wilderness... During Lent the joyful alleluias and the cheerful Hymn of Praise is not generally sung... the cross is draped to commemorate Christ’s death... the statue on the Altar is from our 1938 church and will remain until the Sunday following the Ascension... we generally do not place flowers on the Altar during Lent, which helps us appreciate the bright fragrant blooms of the Easter morning lilies... Lent is a time to devote more time to our devotions... Lent is a good time to give something up if it helps us focus on Christ’s passion, suffering and death for our sins... Lent is also a good time to take something up, a new discipline, more prayer, a project to help others... the Hymns tend to be minor key Hymns which reflect the soberness of the Season; may God richly bless your Lenten walk as part of the ‘Body of Christ’ as we celebrate ‘HIStory.’

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Palm Sunday!

We are thankful 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

Fred & Anita Marso
Greg & Cathy Brock

After Early Service

Tyler & Lynn Spomer
Bob & Doreen Miller



Before Late Service

Tom & Jackie Smith
Freda Peters

After Late Service

Rich & Gloris Zoller
Ryan & Kim Olson

Preaching this morning is Pastor Levi Willms who will also preach at Trinity Lutheran in Blunt between our morning services. Pastor Brad Urbach is our Liturgist and will lead our adult Bible Study.



Morning Fellowship Join us for a fresh cup of coffee in the Christian Family Life Center after our 8:20 service this morning.

Sunday School meets this morning at 9:45 and is for all our children age 3 by September 1, 2009 through High School. Our High School youth meet in the Great Room. There is NO Sunday School next Sunday.

Nursery There is nursery this morning during our 11:00 service. This is located in the Preschool Room. It is for children ages infant through 5 year olds. There is NO Nursery next Sunday.

Adult Bible Study we will continue the Max Lucado study entitled “Fearless.” The book examines Jesus' statements about fear and encourages us to take heart in difficult times. The antidote to the fear epidemic? Trust. If we trust God more, we can fear less. What a comforting promise.



Holy Communion is celebrated this week at both our Maundy Thursday services and our Saturday Easter Vigil 11:30 p.m. service. 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.

God Be With You!

Our Broadcasts Sunrise is sponsored this morning by Lee & Lennis Axdahl in honor of Andrew Axdahl's 8th birthday. Thank you Lee & Lennis and a blessed birthday to you Andrew.

Our Cable broadcast is made possible by Todd & Tracy Thompson in thanksgiving for Joshua Thompson's Eagle Scout Court of Honor today. Thanks Todd & Tracy,

The Broadcast schedules are on the traveling Bulletin board, which is in the Narthex. Our Cable Broadcast is also on our Website which Dennis and Carolyn Ryckman keep very current for us. Take a look at www.faithluth.com. **COST:** You may sponsor the radio broadcast of Sunrise for \$30.00. This radio broadcast is on 1240 AM KCCR at 6:40 a.m. on Sunday morning. The cost of sponsoring the cable broadcast of our worship service is \$35.00. This cable access broadcast is televised on Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. on Channel 8. If you choose to sponsor both, the cost is \$60.00.

Mar. 17, Lenten Worship, Att. 171; Offering \$975.00; Lenten Folders \$20.00; Ash Wed. \$10.00; **Mar. 14, Att.** 450; General Fund \$7,902.58; Building Fund \$6,008.50; Sunday School \$30.97; Love Fund \$50.00; Thrivent Automatic Withdrawal \$838.85 (General \$673.85; Building Fund \$165.00); Flowers \$210.50; Beth Moore Bible Study \$15.00; Café Sola \$6.00; Memorial Garden \$50.00.

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Mar. 28

8:20 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School /Adult Study
11:00 am Worship
3:00 Joshua Thompson Eagle Scout
Ceremony in the Sanctuary
5:00 pm Choir
5:00-7:00 pm Family Night

Mon: Mar. 29

1:30 pm Ladies Bible Study
6:00 pm Passover Meal in the Christian
Family Life Center
7:30 pm Priscilla Circle at Velda Bartel's
home 800 W 4th St. Visitors welcome!

Tues: Mar. 30

8:25 am Staff Devotions
7:00 pm Adult Inquirer's Class

Wed: Mar. 31

6:30 pm 1 & 2 Peter at church

NO Midweek

Thurs: April 1

7:00 am Men's Bible Study at church
8:25 am Staff Devotions
11:00 am Maundy Thursday service with
Holy Communion
7:30 pm Maundy Thursday service with
Holy Communion

Fri: April 2

5:00-6:30 LYF Baked Potato Supper
6:45 pm Hymn Fest
7:30 pm Good Friday Service of Darkness

Sat: April 3

11:30 pm Easter Vigil service with Holy
Communion

Sun: April 4

8:20 am Worship
9:45 am LYF Easter Breakfast
11:00 am Worship

BUILDING NEWS



Gifts –

- Thank you for your gifts of \$6198.50 to the Building Fund last week that includes special gifts designated for the dishwasher, St. Matthew Room blinds and window sills, carpet squares for the Narthex.

Progress

- The new Lobby of the Christian Family Life Center, is now complete.
- We had really hoped to save the 1978 addition wall in the Lobby out of history consideration. There were just simply too many cracks, holes, and discoloration. Therefore it has been sheetrocked. The door frames in that wall were also replaced as they had badly rusted out. New doors have been put in the new frames in the Lobby.
- The “Living Room”, which is the passage way between the Sanctuary Narthex and the lobby of the Christian Family Life Center, now has a ceiling and base, and Berea Circle has its primary cabinet filled with cards, napkins and gifts.
- The Day Care cabinets are nearing completion.

Decisions

- The Building Committee has chosen carpet squares for the Living Room, Daycare, and the '96 Narthex. The squares are here and installed in the Living Room and Narthex and the Daycare may be done next week.
- **There has been a large expression to get the Narthex carpet replaced due to its wear and the raised areas. This is an expense we had not planned for but in order to match carpets, now is the time to do it. Please remember the extra expense for the Narthex, which is \$10,000.00, in your Building Fund giving. Thanks!**

Thank You

- We are very grateful to Laurie Archambeau of Todd's Electric for the donation of fixtures and the complete wiring of the St. Matthew Room and the electric roughing out of the St. Mark Room.
- To Mike Weisgram of Country Carpets for donating the carpet squares for the Daycare office.
- To Mike Leidholt for volunteering to build some little kids stools for the new restrooms and drinking fountains in our new addition.
- Steve & Heidi Kampfe who have donated a gift for the two new blinds in the Living Room.
- Ron & Sandy Peterson who have given a gift so that FM Acoustical can finish the grid work in the second floor hallway.
- Vern & Veronica Lenz and Carla Heller who have made possible the blinds and window sills in the St. Matthew room. That room is really coming together.

- Bob Shoup for his willingness doing the trim work in the “Living Room” where Jay’s office was.
- Vern & A. J. Lenz who have put the Oak Base in the “Living Room”. Vern originally did all of this for our previous Fellowship Hall. The gift is now twice given.
- Sandra Hobart for her gift toward the purchase of the dishwasher.
- Bill & Janith Farnham for the gift for new kitchen carts.
- The LWML for new kitchen shelves in the pantry.

The Commercial Dishwasher is now installed and hopefully will see busy service next Sunday at our LYF Easter breakfast.

Tables and Chairs

Have you been among the legions of hands who have carried tables and chairs up and down stairs, inside and outside? Well, the Christian Family Life Center should make this a bit better.

We have ordered an additional 7 round tables, which will bring us to 30. We can now have up to 240 people at one sitting with our own round tables. Craig Bump has donated the first two of these tables.

We need donations for 5 more at a remarkable sweetheart deal of \$176.00 per table.

We also have ordered 56 more matching chairs for these tables. Craig Bump has donated the first 16 chairs. Therefore we need donations for 40 more chairs at \$17.00 per chair.

If enough donors step forward we would order an additional 48 chairs at \$17.00 a piece. If we do this we will have tables and chairs for 240 without moving chairs and tables. This will handle most gatherings for us at this point.

For really large events like June 6 we will still need to move some tables and chairs and rent some as well, but not as many as before.

The Sign-up sheets are now in the Narthex. The 7 tables and the first 56 chairs will be here by Easter Sunday so we have seating for our Easter Breakfast and we hope an even bigger Good Friday dinner.

We will use the Building Fund account for this. Please note your gift is for the Building Fund and designate that it is for tables or chairs.

Different Gifts/Equal Sacrifice

Important dates pending: The Building Committee – Thursday, April 15th at 5:30 p.m.
The Fulfillment Committee – Monday, April 26th at 7:00 p.m.



Easter Lilies – Easter is April 4, which means Easter, like Spring, is just around the corner. Would you please help adorn God’s Altar with a beautiful Easter lily? The cost is \$16.50. The flower chart is in the Narthex and you may place your gift in the offering or bring it to the office. Be sure to label it as flowers or Easter lily. **This morning is your last opportunity to sign the list in the Narthex**

Passover Meal Our Passover meal will be held the Monday of Holy Week, March 29 at 6:00 p.m. This year we will hold it in the new Christian Family Life Center. It is a remarkable meal with history and interesting foods. It will also give more insight into Holy Communion, which is deeply rooted in the Passover. If you have not attended before it is well worth the time. New members, eighth graders are welcome. Eighth graders must be accompanied by a parent. **Noon today is the sign-up deadline.**



Blood DRIVE April 19th from 11:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Call Char Russell at 224-1160 or online at www.bloodhero.com to schedule an appointment.

Life Quotes “[When] you devalue one life, you devalue all lives.” *Bobby Schilder, brother of Terri Schilnler Schiavo and advocate for the cognitively disabled* **This “Life Quote” if from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org.**

Congratulations are extended to Joshua Thompson who has attained the rank of Eagle Scout. This is the culmination of a lot of hard work.

His Court of Honor is here at Faith this afternoon at 3:00. Well done Josh, Blessings to you and your parents Todd & Traci.

YOUTH NEWS

LYF Meetings LYF will continue on Wed. nights during the month of March at 8:30 following Lenten services on the 17th and 24th, but not 31st of Holy Week. The LYF will also be hosting Lenten coffees after the services as well on the weeks your family is assigned.

Easter Breakfast Help There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for Egg bakes and for baked goods for Easter Breakfast. Please sign-up if you are willing to provide either of these items. We are excited for an Easter Breakfast that everyone can go to and not worry about giving up their table right away!

Speaker Request We could use a speaker or two for a portable sound system in the New Fellowship Hall. The only thing we need are speakers. The preference would be for the ones that you just plug the cord into the speaker (sorry, I don't know the technical info). If you have a speaker or two not being used but that work, let Pastor Willms know.

LYF/Parent Volleyball Night We will have a volleyball night for LYF and Parents on Friday March 26th from 6:30-8:30. We will have pizza and then play some volleyball. Please bring \$2 a person to help cover the cost of soda and Pizza. Youth might want to get some practice in before the 26th so that they don't get dominated by their Parents. I will put a sign up in the Narthex to help get a rough idea for ordering Pizza.



Food Pantry Thank you all for your donations to the Food Pantry. There was a wonderful outpouring of food gifts for those who need them most. We also thank all of those who gave their time on Friday morning to haul all of the items down to the Food Pantry.



Monday afternoon ladies Bible Study begins tomorrow, March 29th at 1:30 p.m. The study is titled: "A New Song: Save Me, O My God."

Beth Moore Simulcast Kiss your insecurities good-bye and discover the joy of living with confidence. In this one-day simulcast event, women will learn to conquer fear and doubt and will discover the liberating confidence and security that can only be found in Christ. Join Beth Moore for a day that will transform and liberate you! *So long insecurities!*

Early bird tickets are \$15 and after April 1st the tickets go up to \$20. The price of the ticket includes lunch to be served at CBC. No childcare will be available. The Saturday, April 24th simulcast will promptly start at 9 a.m. and conclude at 3 p.m.

Tickets are available at Community Bible Church.

An Invitation Mother – Daughter Brunch "Soaring Above the Turbulence" Saturday, April 17, 2010 at 9:00 am at Lutheran Memorial Church. Bring your daughter, neighbor, niece, friend or coworker and join us. The morning activities will include an inspirational keynote speaker, Mary Carwile. Mary will share her message, "Soaring Above the Turbulence." Entertainment and brunch will be provided. Tickets may be purchased at the church office during regular hours or by contacting Carol Carney at 605-223-2161.

HELP – We need addresses! We are starting from scratch! We would like the addresses of former members and all of your sons and daughters who you think it would be nice for us to send an invitation to the Homecoming and Dedication Event of our Christian Family Life Center on June 6. Address sheets are on the Oak Table.

Main Street Living may be seen each Sunday morning at 10 AM on KDLT-NBC Sioux Falls and at 9 AM on KEVN-FOX Rapid City. Viewers, area churches, and memorial gifts support Main Street Living. The program is interpreted for the hearing impaired. Mailing address is Main Street Living, 1400 S. Duluth Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57105. The program may be viewed on the web at www.mainstreetliving.com. E-mail mainstreet@sio.midco.net.

Main Street Living is a faith-based ministry. The viewers provide the finances that are necessary to support this ministry. The program is produced with faith that the funds will be available each week. Please consider giving a gift to allow Main Street Living to continue during these trying times.

March 28, 2010 – Kid’s Crossing join Krista K as she visits a greenhouse to talk with a florist that grows Easter Lilies.

The featured speaker is Rev. Kevin Vogts from Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Dakota Dunes, SD. The sermon theme is “He Walked for Us the Way of Sorrows!” The hymns are All Glory, Laud, and Honor; Hosanna, Loud Hosanna; and In the Cross of Christ I Glory.” The Main Street Living Choir will provide the hymns. The program is interpreted for the hearing impaired.

April 4, 2010 – Kid’s Crossing, Easter, the day of resurrection, Jesus Christ has risen from the tomb!

The featured speaker is Rev. Warren Uecker from Our Savior Lutheran Church in Madison, SD, and St. John’s Lutheran Church in Howard, SD. The sermon theme is “Alleluia Indeed!” The hymns are Christ, the Lord is Risen; Jesus Christ is Risen Today; and I know that My Redeemer Lives. The Main Street Living Choir will provide the hymns. The program is interpreted for the hearing impaired.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



Passover Meal
Monday, March 29 at 6:00 pm

Maundy Thursday Worship
11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
“The Body of Christ” Lenten Series
“The Blood of Christ”
11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.



Good Friday
5:00-6:30 pm LYF Baked Potato Dinner
6:30-7:30 Hymn Fest
7:30 pm only
“The Body of Christ” Lenten Series
“The Body of Christ”

Easter Vigil Service
Saturday, April 3
11:30 pm

Easter Sunday
8:20 and 11:00
“HIS Victory”

