

THIRD 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 ✠

OPENING HYMN “Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now” (LSB 902)

INVOCATION

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

EXHORTATION

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

CONFESSION *and* ABSOLUTION

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for

them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

✠ **WORD** ✠

SALUTATION *and* **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with you.

C And also 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.

C Amen.

(Please be seated)

ANTHEM "What Wondrous Love Is This" Southern Harmony, (arr.
Drennan) Helen Kiepke, vocal soloist

OLD TESTAMENT *Exodus 17:1-7* (Moses is commanded to strike the rock from which God will bring forth water.)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *Romans 5:1–8* (We have peace with God through Jesus Christ.)

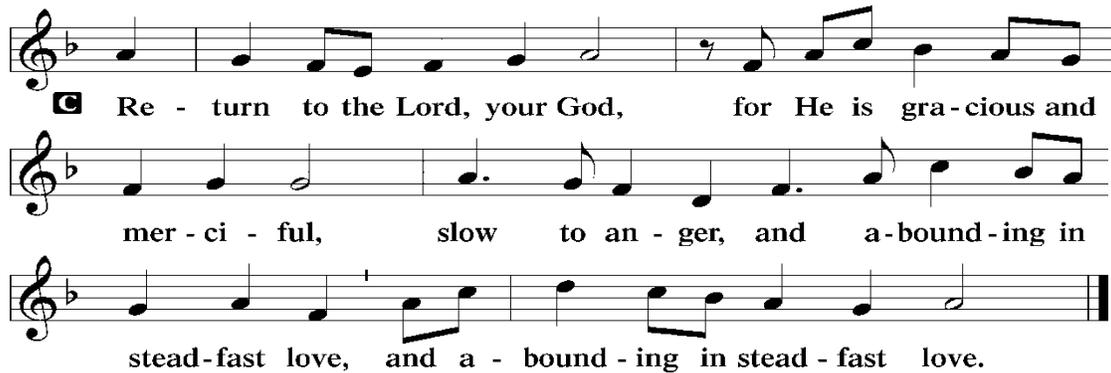
After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

LENTEN RESPONSE

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.

(Please stand)

HOLY GOSPEL *John 4:5–26 (27–30, 39–42)* (Jesus shows Himself as the living water to a Samaritan woman at the well.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third 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 "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive" (LSB 609)
Verses 1-4 Before Sermon, Verses 5-7 After Sermon

SERMON "Messy Life" (John 4:5-26)
Pastor Sam Handschke

CREED

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

OFFERTORY



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.

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.

Lord of hosts, Your ancient people worshiped You in Jerusalem, and in Christ You are now worshiped among all nations. Grant us faithful hearts to worship in spirit and truth, that many would come to know You in Your Word and Sacrament. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** O God, You led Your ancient people by the hand of Moses and Aaron. Lead us through the wilderness of this world by the hand of faithful pastors, that we would be refreshed by the living water flowing from the stricken side of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Lord of all, You bestow Your riches on all who call upon You. Bless parents with all wisdom as they teach their children Your ways, that all in the household may confess with their mouths that Jesus is Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Heavenly Father, preserve our nation, and prosper the cause of justice in this land. Guide and grant Your wisdom to Donald, our president; the Congress of the United States; Larry, our governor; and all elected and appointed civil servants. Grant us peace among the nations and watch over those who protect us in the armed forces of our land. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**



P O great Physician of body and soul, by Your Word and Holy Spirit comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity [*especially* _____]. Hold them all in Your almighty hands and bring them consolation. Heal them according to Your gracious will and give us all grace to accept and bear our crosses with faith in You, that we would always be prepared to depart this life in faith and come to Your heavenly home. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Merciful God, grant us safe haven at Your altar, that we who bear the weight of this world and its sorrows would always long for Your courts and the blessings You have prepared for those who sing Your praise. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty Lord, to You all hearts are open and all sins are known. Strengthen our hearts by Your grace, that we who daily sin much would make confession boldly and then joyfully receive Your precious word of absolution. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P These and whatever other things You would have us ask of You, O God, grant us for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your only Son, our Lord and Savior, 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 10 with the 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 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** ✠

11:00 am

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

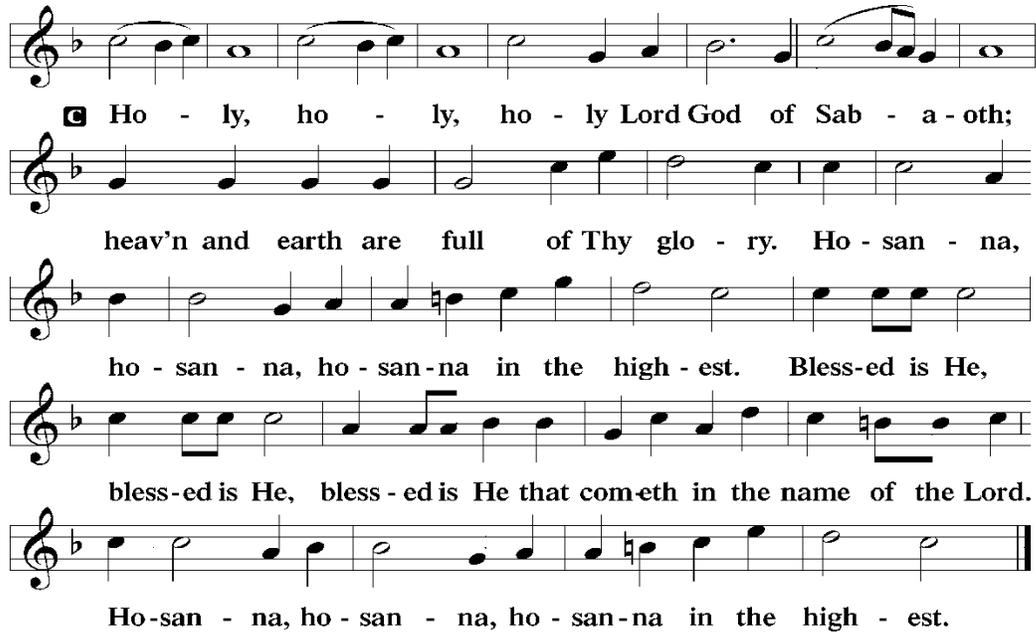
P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

C **It is meet and right so to do.**

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we

might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. 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;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,
bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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



C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the

world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
 tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

- "Come Unto Me, Ye Weary" (LSB 684)
- "Rock of Ages, Cleft For Me" (LSB 761)



(Please stand)

NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-
 cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

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 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.

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

BENEDICAMUS

- P** Bless we the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

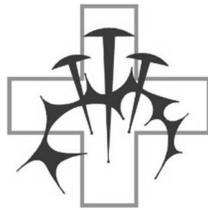
- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

CLOSING HYMN “Glorious Things of You Are Spoken” (LSB 648)

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THE ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT



AS WE GATHER It often seems that life is a debate about the things we do not know. What is truth? What is right and wrong? Where is God? None of these questions are theoretical and all of them are answered in Christ, whom we know as Savior and Redeemer. The Law reveals the depth of our need and our sinful hearts. Christ makes known the love of the Father. Gathered in worship, we meet where Christ is—in His Word and Sacraments. Faith is not about what we do not know but about what we

do know. Christ is our all. He fulfills the promise of the Old Testament and completes our redemption. We confess Him who came, who comes to us now through the means of grace, and who will come again to deliver us to the Father. To know Christ is to know everything.

“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. Exodus 17:6

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 Third 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 this morning is Rev. Sam Handschke. Pastor Sam will also be preaching at Blunt between our services.

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.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Wed. Feb. 25, Att. 172; Offering \$1,909.00; **Sun., Mar. 1, Att. 285;** General Fund \$17,954.01; Sunday School \$0.00; Building Fund \$439.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Easter Stoles \$1,000.00; Wick Comm. Refund \$254.85; Mexico Mission \$65.00; Memorial for Clint Schimkat \$500.00.

Endowment Fund There are lime green envelopes on the back side of the large center support post in the Narthex for your use. Donations do not have to be in memory of someone, they can be in celebration of an event in your lives, to the glory of God, or any number of happenings in your lives. The envelopes have an area where you can designate where you wish the funds to go. **Please use a separate check for your donation.** Where we deposit the funds does not take cash, so **it needs to be in the form of a check.** The counters cannot always find checks to cover when cash is given. Thanks for your help!

***** If you have envelope #225 please contact Helen in the church office.**

Greeters Faith Lutheran is wanting to get our greeters crew up and going again. If you are willing to greet on Sundays **please sign the sheet in the Narthex.** *We are still in need of more greeters.* The more we have the better. If we get enough, they may only have to greet a couple times a year. Please consider joining this group.



Broadcast Ministry – Livestream help needed You can be part of our broadcast ministry, the team responsible for getting our worship service into homes in Ft. Pierre and Pierre, and across our state and country. The reach of this ministry is immense, and we need your help to consistently make this critical broadcast available. Members of the team are trained in controlling the broadcast computer and cameras. This ministry requires some technical

skills – if you can operate your phone then you can control our broadcast. Our goal is to have each volunteer scheduled once every six to eight weeks. Please talk to one of the Elders or Pastor Sam if you have questions or if you would like to volunteer.

Lenten Meals We will be having meals the Wednesdays during Lent from 5:15 pm - 6:30 pm beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 18th. Below are the Wednesdays.



- March 11 – Board of Education -
- March 18 – Board of Prop. Mgt. -
- March 25 – Board of Early Ed. – Chili & fixin’s and cinnamon rolls



Corned Beef Meal Paul & Toni Kenefick-Aschoff will be preparing a Corned Beef Meal for us on March 15 at noon. This meal will consist of corned beef, cabbage, red potatoes, rye bread and bread pudding with caramel sauce. Served family style. Always a wonderful meal. May sit in or take out. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. **Please sign up TODAY** so they know how much to prepare. Free-will offering.

Passover Seder Meal Monday, March 30, at 6:00 pm the Elders will host our Seder Meal. Passover is the oldest of the Jewish festivals and is specifically commanded by God to be observed by the Jewish people in Exodus 12. The festival has its roots in the Exodus, God’s act of deliverance of His chosen people Israel from the bondage of the Egyptians.



Seder Meal

As we celebrate the Passover Supper, we want to remember that in the East a meal also has a special significance which it does not have for us in the West. In the East, eating

together is in itself a pledge of friendship and loyalty, and so in the eating of this meal we are binding ourselves in fellowship by sharing together the common meal in commemoration of the Last Supper which Jesus ate with His disciples. Please be thinking of this meal as an expression of your love and loyalty to Jesus and of the special Christian family we share.

We are limited to 70 participants. The Midweek 5-8 grades are encouraged to attend but must be accompanied by a parent. Please sign up so we know how much to prepare. **A sign-up sheet is on the information desk in the Narthex by the Grand Avenue door.**

FOOD DRIVE During the month of March, Faith Lutheran will collect items for the Pierre-Fort Pierre Food Pantry. A handy shopping list can be found on the donation tables in the Narthex. Current highest-need food items include: cooking oil and spray, ketchup, mayo, mustard, pasta (dry) and sugar. Other items currently in high need include cleaning supplies (such as dusting spray, floor cleaner, and tub and tile cleaner), deodorant, dish soap, facial tissue, garbage bags, paper towels, and toilet paper. The Food Pantry is in ongoing need of all types of nonperishable food items, personal hygiene products, and paper products. **FINANCIAL DONATIONS ARE ALSO WELCOME.** Make checks payable to PARS (Pierre Area Referral Service); leave in the church office or place in an offering plate. Write Townsend Challenge on the memo line. During March and April, local financial institutions will provide matching funds for donations made to the Ardis Townsend Challenge for the Food Pantry.



Food Donations



Building Healthy Families: “Don’t worry, be happy!”... Remember this catchy little tune from the 80’s? God gives us this same message in His Word (repeatedly!), but it’s so much easier to say “don’t worry” than it is to not worry. Are you, or is someone you know, a worrier? You don’t have to be! Lutheran Family Service counselors

who share your Lutheran, Christian faith are available in Aberdeen, Rapid City area, Sioux Falls, and Deadwood, or via confidential telehealth link to your home through computer, tablet, or phone. These counselors are experienced at helping people with worry and many other challenges. Imagine a life with less worry – and know it’s possible. Call us – it’s why we’re here! Learn more at www.LutheranFamilyService.org **Lutheran Family Service** [605-271-1081](tel:605-271-1081)

Main Street Living “Main Street Living” is a liturgical worship service broadcasting a different local pastor each Sunday morning. It airs along with the classic Lutheran Hour program, “This is the Life.” Both can be viewed on KDLT (NBC) & KEVN (FOX) Visit www.mainstreetliving.com to view current and past episodes. **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, and are available the day before they are broadcast.

Mar 8, 2026 8 a.m. (KEVN/FOX) and 10 a.m. (KDLT/NBC) – “The Healer” Dave Forman (Gary Collins) is a dynamic “faith healer” who becomes angered by the drowning death of his daughter. **8:30 a.m. (KEVN/FOX) and 10:30 a.m. (KDLT/NBC)** – “Main Street Living” Rev. Ryan Loeslie, pastor at Immanuel, Dimock, presents a message titled, “Worshiping God in Spirit and Truth.” The sermon is based on John 4:5- 26.

Life Quotes “The call to be disciples of Jesus who live out our faith each day and, in so doing, work to make disciples of others, has never been greater ... We need to boldly proclaim what God has done for us in Christ. Not in a spirit of superiority or power, but in a posture of love and grace.” *Bishop Dan Selbo, North American Lutheran Church – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Faith Lutheran Youth



2026 Bible Bowl Topic: The Life of David, I Samuel 16 - I Kings 2, Psalm 51, Luther's Small Catechism: Confession, Date is **Saturday, March 21st** beginning at 10 am Place Faith Lutheran Church 714 N. Grand AVE, Pierre, SD The District Bible Bowl is open to youth grades 6 through 12. For any additional questions, contact the District Bible Bowl coordinator, Rev. Marcus Ring (605) 831-0601 revmring@gmail.com



Sign up
for
Church
Camp

Camp Minneboji is held every year at Camp Okoboji in NW Iowa. The summer camp, for kids in grades 4-9, features Bible study, mission presentations, music, crafts, sports, recreation, a camp T-shirt and the chance to meet new Christian friends. Camp registration and fee are required to attend. Camp week is **June 21 – June 27, 2026**. This year's camp theme is "Lifted Up". The Camp registration fee is \$465 for the week. The Honor's Camp registration is \$495 for the week. **The registration deadline is May 1.** Please download the Camp Booklet for registration materials and details and to find all of the information you will need to have a great summer camp experience.

Please let Pastor Sam or the office know if you are planning to attend Camp Minneboji or Circuit Bible Camp as the church will have scholarships to help with finances.



This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Mar. 8 LENT 3

8:30 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School/*Revelation*
11:00 am Communion
11:00 am Board of Missions
2-5:30 pm Softball

Mon: Mar. 9

6:00 pm Board of Early Education
7:00 pm LWML

Tues: Mar. 10

8:00 am Staff Devotions
9:30 am Circuit Pastors Conference
10:30 am Women's Study '*Joshua*'
6:15 pm *Raising Kids* Study
6:15 pm Bd. of Property Mgt.
7-8 pm 5th grade girls Basketball

Wed: Mar. 11 Midweek Lent 3

11:00 am Lenten Worship
5:15-6:30 pm Lenten Meal
5:45 pm *Revelation* -Wulf's home

6:00 pm Midweek/Catechism
6:30 pm *Galatians* Study in homes
7:00 pm Lenten Worship

8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: Mar. 12

8:00 am Staff Devotions
6-9 pm Softball
7:00 pm Faith Circle

Fri: Mar. 13

5:30-6:30 pm 5th grade girls BB

Sun: Mar. 15 Lent 4

8:30 am Communion
9:45 am Sunday School/*Revelation*
11:00 am Worship
12:00 pm Corned Beef Meal
1:00 pm Bd. of Stewardship/Endow.
2-5:30 pm Softball
3:00 pm Board of Education

