

# FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

MARCH 19, 2023 • 9AM

4th Sunday in Lent • Bread of Life, Setting 5

Lenten Theme: The Return of the Prodigal Son, A Story of Homecoming

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## INTRODUCTION

*We continue our journey through Lent with a story of homecoming. Just like the prodigal son, Lent calls us to repent and return to our heavenly Father.*

## PRELUDE

*What Wondrous Love Is This?* arr. Anna Laura Page

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS FOR LENT *stand or kneel*

Pastor: We gather in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen.**

P: The prophet Joel sounds the call for the season of Lent: "Return to the Lord, your God, for God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love." (Joel 2:13) How do you respond?

C: **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence and do not take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain a willing spirit within me.** (Psalm 51:10-12)

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and each other.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Most merciful God,

**All: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for His sake God forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority, I declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

*OUR VISION*

To be an inspired body of Christ.



*OUR MISSION*

Love God. Love Others. Serve.

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** hymnal, #335 *stand*

**Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross**

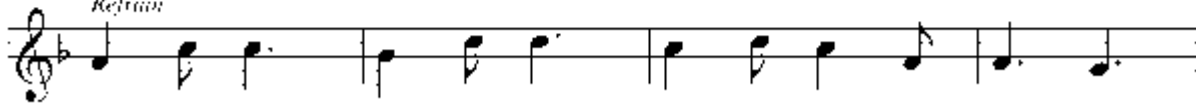


1 Je - sus, keep me near the cross. there's a pre - cious foun - tain;  
2 Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, love and mer - cy found me;  
3 Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes be fore me;  
4 Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,



free to all, a heal - ing stream flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain,  
there the bright and Morn - ing Star sheds its beams a - round me.  
help me walk from day to day with its shad - ows o'er me.  
till I reach the gold - en strand just be - yond the riv - er.

*Refrain*



In the cross, in the cross be my glo - ry ev - er;



till my ran - somed soul shall find rest be - yond the riv - er.

**GREETING**

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

**KYRIE** hymnal, page 213

Bill Steele, Assisting Minister



☐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: ☑ Lord, have mer - cy.



☐ Chri - ste e - le - i - son: ☑ Christ, have mer - cy.



☐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: ☑ Lord, have mer - cy.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray:

**All: Bend your ear to our prayers, Lord Christ, and come among us.**

**By your gracious life and death for us, bring light into the darkness of our hearts, and anoint us with your Spirit, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S TALK

## PARISH WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SCRIPTURE LESSONS

John Woods, Lector

**FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 16:1-13** Pew Bible pg. #257

*Samuel anointed David even though he was the eighth-oldest son of Jesse and did not match his brothers in height or other physical characteristics. With the anointing came endowment with the spirit of the Lord, designating David as the Lord's chosen successor to Saul.*

<sup>1</sup>The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." <sup>2</sup>Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.'" <sup>3</sup>Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." <sup>4</sup>Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" <sup>5</sup>He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. <sup>6</sup>When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." <sup>7</sup>But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." <sup>8</sup>Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." <sup>9</sup>Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." <sup>10</sup>Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." <sup>11</sup>Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." <sup>12</sup>He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." <sup>13</sup>Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**PSALM: Psalm 23** Pew Bible pg. #491

Assistant: <sup>1</sup>The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

**Congregation:** <sup>2</sup>**He makes me lie down in green pastures;  
he leads me beside still waters;**

A: <sup>3</sup>He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths  
for his name's sake.

**C:** <sup>4</sup>**Even though I walk through the darkest valley,  
I fear no evil; for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff—they comfort me.**

A: <sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

**C:** <sup>6</sup>**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.**

**SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:8-14** Pew Bible pg. #1069

*Because we now live in the divine light which is Jesus Christ, we conduct our lives  
in ways that reflect the light of Christ, so that our activity is truly pleasing to God.*

<sup>8</sup>Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—  
<sup>9</sup>for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. <sup>10</sup>Try to find out  
what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup>Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness,  
but instead expose them. <sup>12</sup>For it is shameful even to mention what such people  
do secretly; <sup>13</sup>but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, <sup>14</sup>for everything  
that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, " Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead,  
and Christ will shine on you."

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**, hymnal #616, *stand*

**Jesus, Remember Me**

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second staff continues the melody and lyrics.

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Sing twice

**GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32**

*We are studying The Parable of The Prodigal Son throughout Lent. Today we focus on the elder brother. We will be reading the parable from different translations of The Bible each week. Today, the New English Bible.*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Luke , the 15th chapter.

**Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord!**

Another time, the tax-gatherers and other bad characters were all crowding in to listen to him; <sup>2</sup>and the Pharisees and the doctors of the law began grumbling among themselves: 'This fellow', they said, 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' <sup>3</sup>He answered them with this parable:

<sup>11</sup>Again he said: 'There was once a man who had two sons; <sup>12</sup>and the younger said to his father, "Father, give me my share of the property." So he divided his estate between them. <sup>13</sup>A few days later the younger son turned the whole of his share into cash and left home for a distant country, where he squandered it in reckless living. <sup>14</sup>He had spent it all, when a severe famine fell upon that country and he began to feel the pinch. <sup>15</sup>So he went and attached himself to one of the local landowners, who sent him on to his farm to mind the pigs. <sup>16</sup>He would have been glad to fill his belly with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. <sup>17</sup>Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they can eat, and here am I, starving to death! <sup>18</sup>I will set off and go to my father, and say to him, 'Father, I have sinned, against God and against you; <sup>19</sup>I am no longer fit to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants.' <sup>20</sup>"So he set out for his father's house. But while he was still a long way off his father saw him, and his heart went out to him. He ran to meet him, flung his arms round him, and kissed him.

<sup>21</sup>The son said, "Father, I have sinned, against God and against you; I am no longer fit to be called your son." Some witnesses add: treat me as one of your paid servants.

<sup>22</sup>But the father said to his servants, "Quick! fetch a robe, my best one, and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and shoes on his feet. <sup>23</sup>Bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us have a feast to celebrate the day. <sup>24</sup>For this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And the festivities began.

<sup>25</sup>Now the elder son was out on the farm; and on his way back, as he approached the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup>He called one of the servants and asked what it meant. <sup>27</sup>The servant told him, "Your brother has come home, and your father has killed the fatted <sup>28</sup>calf because he has him back safe and sound." But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out <sup>29</sup>and pleaded with him; but he retorted, "You know how I have slaved for you all these years; I never once disobeyed your orders; and you never gave me so much as a kid, for a feast with my friends.

<sup>30</sup>But now that this son of yours turns up, after running through your money with his women, you kill the fatted calf for him." <sup>31</sup>"My boy," said the father, "you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. <sup>32</sup>How could we help celebrating this happy day? Your brother here was dead and has come back to life, was lost and is found."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

**Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**, hymnal #616, *stand*

**Jesus, Remember Me**

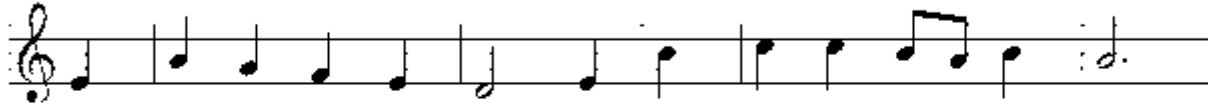
Je-sus, re-mem-ber me when you come in-to your king-dom.

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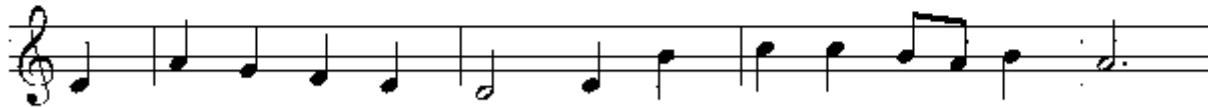
Sing twice

**HYMN OF THE DAY** hymnal #606, *stand*

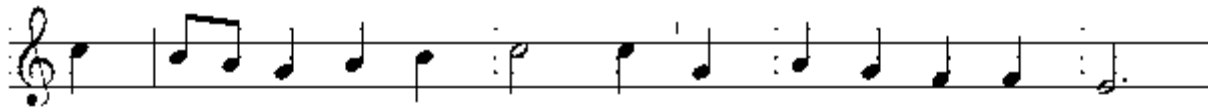
**Our Father, We Have Wandered**



1 Our Fa - ther, we have wan - dered and hid - den from your face;  
2 And now at length dis - cern - ing the e - vil that we do.  
3 O Lord of all the liv - ing, both ban - ished and re - stored,



in fool - ish - ness have squan - dered your leg - a - cy of grace,  
be - hold us, Lord, re - turn - ing with hope and trust to you,  
com - pas - sion - ate, for - giv - ing, and ev - er - ear - ing Lord,



But now, in ex - ile dwell - ing, we rise with fear and shame,  
In haste you come to meet us and home re - joice - ing bring,  
grant now that our trans - gress - ing, our faith - less - ness may cease.



as, dis - tant but com - pel - ling, we hear you call our name,  
in glad - ness there to greet us with calf and robe and ring,  
Stretch out your hand in bless - ing, in par - don, and in peace.

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Assistant: Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

Assistant: Eternal God, you seal us by the Holy Spirit and mark us with the cross of Christ forever in baptism. Inspire us by your love as together we strive for justice and peace in all the earth. Merciful God,

**Congregation: receive our prayer.**

A: Powerful God, you anoint kings and establish rulers. Guide the work of heads of state and elected officials. Encourage them to lead with justice and to remove barriers that impede the well-being of all. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: Shepherding God, you lead us beside still waters and restore our souls. Keep watch over those who weep; tend all who are sick and comfort those who grieve. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: God our host, you fill us at your table with more than we could ever ask. Feed us with hunger for justice. Equip the feeding ministries of this congregation and community. Nourish us so we can nourish our neighbors. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

A: God of history, with thanksgiving we remember our ancestors in faith who cared for your people. We praise you for the ways they formed the faith of others and continue to inspire us. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

Pastor: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Congregation: Amen.**

## **THE PEACE**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

## OFFERING FOR MISSION & MINISTRY

### OFFERING ANTHEM

*Like a Tree Planted by the Water*

### OFFERTORY *stand*

#### Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vine-yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown,  
that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we  
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence, Lord,  
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

### OFFERING PRAYER FOR LENT

Assistant: Let us pray.

Congregation: Holy God, we bring our offerings to your altar, understanding that we have already received the greatest gift of all, the forgiveness of our sins through the sacrifice of your Son. Bless our gifts for your unfinished work. Help us to live as agents of your boundless love and mercy. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.



## GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

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

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

## PREFACE FOR LENT

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call us to cleanse our hearts so that we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

### Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR LENT

Pastor: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. Great is the majesty of your glory.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

*“Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.*

*Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

*“This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.*

*Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**All: 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.**

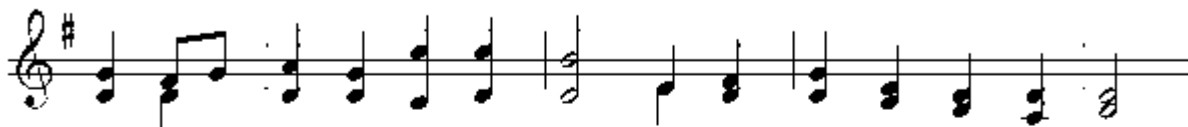
**COMMUNION** *When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say  
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.  
and each person may respond Amen.*

## INVITATION TO THE MEAL FROM PASTOR BOB STELTER

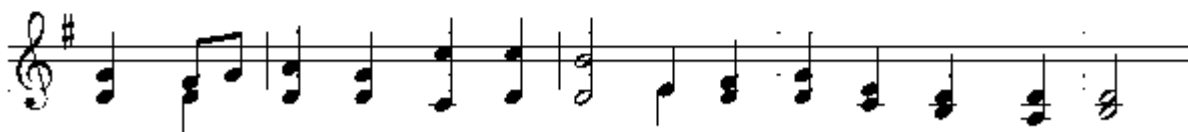
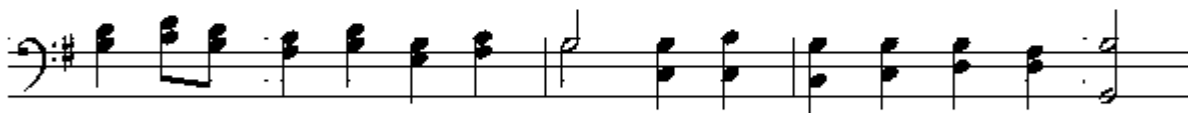
### Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

# For the Beauty of the Earth



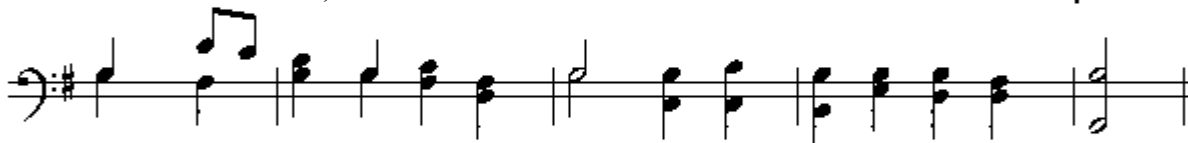
1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies.  
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night.  
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light.  
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
 5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies;  
 hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light;  
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight;  
 friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild;  
 for thy - self best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n.



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.



**COMMUNION BLESSING** *stand*

Pastor: Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

**Congregation: Amen.**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Assistant: Let us pray,

**Congregation: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world. Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor: Forty days we journey together through Lent. God welcomes prodigals. Be strengthened and return to the Lord. Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Congregation: Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN** hymnal #551, *stand*

## The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in  
2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the  
3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to seat - ter  
4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings  
bur - dened free: where hope is dim, to  
joy like seed and, all our days, to  
to pro - claim, God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim,  
share a dream and help the blind to see,  
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed,  
pow - er'd us; we go in Je - sus' name.

### DISMISSAL

Assistant: Return to the Lord!

**Congregation: We are coming home!**

A: Go in peace to love God, love others, serve.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

*Beautiful Savior* arr. David Paxton

*The arrangement on the altar remind us of our penitential sacrifice  
and determination during the Lenten season.*

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Traditional Worship, 9am ♦ Contemporary Worship, 11:11am

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**Collin Kasefang** — Choir Director  
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## WELCOME!

As followers of Jesus, we rejoice in God's plan for a just, loving and peaceful world. We commit ourselves to making it a reality for all people everywhere. Just as all are welcome at the Lord's table during holy communion, all are welcome to this family of faith. People of all races, ages, social status, sexual orientations and gender identity are united here in our mission to love God, love others and serve. Please sign a Worship Card and place it in the offering plate.

## NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

Want to know more about Lutheranism and our ministries? Contact Pastor Bob, [pastorbob@faithloves.org](mailto:pastorbob@faithloves.org).

## Sunday Worship 9 & 11:11am

Live or online at [YouTube.com/atFaithLutheran3329/stream](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=atFaithLutheran3329/stream)

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS, 10:15am.** New study of the Book of Revelation, led by John Woods in *The Cup*.

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL, 10:15am.**

**TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY, 1:30pm** led by John Woods.

**HANDBELL PLAYERS REHEARSAL Wednesdays, 5:30pm.** Come join us! Lynn offers piano lessons, too. Contact her at [rosiemomflowers@yahoo.com](mailto:rosiemomflowers@yahoo.com) or call 503-819-0118.

**COLUMBARIUM NICHES** are available to our members for \$1,800 & to non-members at \$2,500. Application forms are found in our *Columbarium Booklet* in the narthex.

**2023 FLOWER CHART** has been posted. Sign up on the bulletin board by the library.

**NOTICE:** Pastor Bob has never and will never ask for support or funds via email, text or Facebook. If you have received one of these requesting funds or support from Pastor Bob, please report it to the office immediately, 865-966-9626.

## SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Open tomorrow, March 20, 3-6pm

Items needed:

**Small Bags of Easter Candy • Crushed Pineapple, 20oz  
 Canned Pasta Sauce • Vegetable Oil 32oz in Plastic  
 Cake Mix & Icing (Happy Colors)**

Contact our Pantry Coordinator to volunteer at:  
[shephopepantry@gmail.com](mailto:shephopepantry@gmail.com)

## UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

**INTERNATIONAL MINISTRY MEETING today, 10:15am** library.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION INSTRUCTION**  
 Starts Wednesday, March 22, 5-6pm.  
 One parent must attend with their child.

**THE RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL SON LENTEN STUDY & SUPPER** Wednesdays during Lent, March 22-March 29, 6-7pm. Books are available in the narthex.

**THE ART OF WORSHIP** Wednesday, March 22, 5:30-7:30pm in *The Cup*. Youth and Adults welcome.

**FAITH SERVES KARM** this Saturday, March 25, noon.  
 Please sign up to cook or serve.

**FUTURE DATES: 5/27, 7/22, 9/23, 12/2/23 & 1/27/24**

**COUNCIL Q & A NEXT SUNDAY, March 26, 10:15am & 12:15pm.**

**SALVATION ARMY SHELTER VISITS, Tuesday, March 28.**

**HEARTS ACROSS THE MILES**—a nonprofit organization that sends Girl Scout cookies to our military service men and women deployed overseas. If you have a family member or friend deployed through the end of April 2023 HATM can send them cookies to enjoy and share with their unit. Just send their deployment address to our member, Melissa Russ by **March 20** at [mhruss@msn.com](mailto:mhruss@msn.com). These cookies have already been purchased for service members. Visit Facebook at [HeartsAcrossTheMiles](https://www.facebook.com/HeartsAcrossTheMiles) or [heartsacrossthemiles.com](http://heartsacrossthemiles.com).

## WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

9am Traditional

Altar Guild	Mary Bales
Assisting Minister	Bill Steele
Lector	John Woods
Communion Ministers	Lisa Stelter, Pat Lyman Rob Blackburn, Doug Bales
Greeter	Mary Beth Hallahan
Ushers	Randy Stewart, Jim Hallahan
Offering Stewards	Laura Sproat, Gary Dakolios

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*This column will start anew on the first Sunday of each month.*

**FRIENDS:** Glenn Bird, Kara Bledsoe, Marsha Bode, Sharon Brokenshire, Merriam & Newton Calhoun, Michael Carfi, Harold Chapel, Hilda Chapel, Jack Cleave, Jan & Frank Colangelo, Shirley & Harrel Conneley, Martin Connor, Kathy Conover, Nancy Crain, Bill Crain, the Damasco family, Brandy & Brian Duke, Al Eden, Jon Efreland, Chris Elkins, Vader Ernst, Alanna & Arnie Fenske, Rita Flynn, Darrell Foust, Sandra & Joe Garber, Gregory Goodall, Rita Heavner, Linda Holtz, Bea Horion, Larry Hu, LaMont Jibben, Hannah Johnson, Joe Jones, Kelsey Irwin, Donna Knick, Laura Lehner, Nina Levenson, Loyacano family, David Matthews, Thomas Merish, Wilma Parker, Jim Presley, Sandra Prior, Claire Racine, Susan Roig, Terry Rosenberger, the Salles families, Scaglione family, Anne Marie Schrubbe, Tiphinne Shea-Scoba, Marilyn Savilisky, Dyann, Tina & Denise Sliger, Linda Smith, Austin Stephens, Lynda & Tommy Swayze, Paul Travis, Frank Tyler, Marian Williams, Scott Williams, Andrea Wilson, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Lauren Wolfe, Martha Woodward, the Zehner family, Clarence & Elaine, Darcy, Gayle, Hannah, Irma, Jacob, Jodi, Jolena, Katie, Lynda, Manard, Michael, Mila & family, Sam, Shayna *and those we name to You.*

**SPIRITUAL RENEWAL:** Season of Lent.

**WELCOME:** Isaiah, Micah, Sandra & Greg Bohlken.

**RENEWAL:** Via de Cristo retreat. Pilgrim, Pat Weaver; Team members, Dee Bumpers, Elaine & Gary Mount.

**COMFORT IN THE MIDST OF DEATH:** Darrell Sliger, Suzanne Nicely, Ron Fife, Tom Swayze, Barbara Barass.

**SALVATION ARMY FRIENDS:** Heather, Kayla, Buffy, Janine, Joan, Marcella, Amy Heather, Brittany, Brandon, Bill, James, Mike, Edward, John, John, Tim, Robert, Brent.

**PRAYERS, CONCERN & ASSISTANCE:** The people of Ukraine; the earthquake victims in Syria & Turkey; the physically & mentally disabled.

**PARTNERSHIPS:** Bishop Eaton & the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; Quiet Music Ministry; Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Via de Cristo Ministry; Salvation Army Women's & Men's Homeless Shelters; Community Coalition Against Human Trafficking; Cole Center Caregivers and Parkinson Band, Mercy Ships, Iglesia Luterano Augustana de Guatemala & Milagro Women's Education Center, AL-ANON, Narcotics Anonymous.

**PEACE:** Protection for all armed forces, especially: Jacob Cole, Andrew Chovancek, Tyler Hitter, H.M., Anthony Hu, Julianne LeFevre-Kerr, Chase Linell, Alex Primka, Christine Russ, Alex Serrano, Sam Thompson, Mitchell Yount, Greg Zager.



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### WEEK OF MARCH 19-26, 2023

#### Sunday, March 19 4th Sunday in Lent

9:00am Traditional Worship *Sanctuary*  
10:00am Fellowship *The Cup*  
10:15am **International Ministry meeting** *library*  
**Adult Sunday School, New Study Begins**  
Children's Sunday School  
Praise Team Rehearsal  
11:11am Contemporary Worship  
3-7pm Sons of Norway *The Cup*  
5:00pm AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

#### Monday, March 20

3-6pm **Food Pantry open**

#### Tuesday, March 21

1:30pm Bible Study Small Group *The Cup*  
6:00pm MOPS *Nursery*  
AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*  
7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

#### Wednesday, March 22

11:00am AL-ANON meeting *Community Room*  
4:00pm Staff Meeting  
5-6:00pm **1st Communion Class**  
5:30-7:30 **The Art of Worship**  
5:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal  
6:00pm **Return of the Prodigal Son**  
**Study & Supper**  
6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, March 23

7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

#### Friday, March 24

9:30am **Cole Center Caregiver Community**  
7:00pm **Narcotics Anonymous Group** *The Cup*

#### Saturday, March 25

11:00am AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*  
Noon **Faith Serves KARM**

#### Sunday, March 26 5th Sunday in Lent

9:00am Traditional Worship *Sanctuary*  
10:00am Fellowship *The Cup*  
10:15am **Council Q & A**  
Adult Sunday School  
Children's Sunday School  
Confirmation Class  
Praise Team Rehearsal  
11:11am Contemporary Worship  
12:15pm **Council Q & A**  
5:00pm AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

### PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

**Monday:** Psalm 146; Isaiah 59:9-19; Acts 9:1-20. • **Tuesday:** Psalm 146; Isaiah 42:14-21; Colossians 1:9-14.  
**Wednesday:** Psalm 146; Isaiah 60:17-22; Matthew 9:27-34. • **Thursday:** Psalm 130; Ezekiel 1:1-3, 2:8-3:3; Revelation 10:1-11.  
**Friday** Psalm 130; Ezekiel 33:10-16; Revelation 11:15-19. • **Saturday** Psalm 130; Ezekiel 36:8-15; Luke 24:44-53.  
**5th Sunday in Lent** Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45.