

FAITH
LUTHERAN CHURCH
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

MARCH 10, 2024 • 9AM

4th Sunday of Lent • 2024 Lenten Theme: *Finding Hope in Suffering* • *Now the Feast & Celebration Liturgy*

INTRODUCTION

In today's gospel Jesus says he will be lifted up on the cross like the serpent, so that those who look to him in faith will live. When we receive the sign of the cross in baptism, that cross becomes the sign we can look to in faith for healing, for restored relationship to God, for hope when we are dying.

PRELUDE

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross Zack Unke

CALL TO WORSHIP & CONFESSION FOR LENT

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who writes the law on our hearts,
who draws all people together through Jesus.

Congregation: Amen.

P: Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and
of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Holy God,

C: we confess that we are caught in our sin and cannot break free. We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurts grow into hatred. For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord.

P: Here is a flood of grace: out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaks every chain of sin, washes away our wrongs and restores the promise of life. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

C: Amen.

OUR VISION

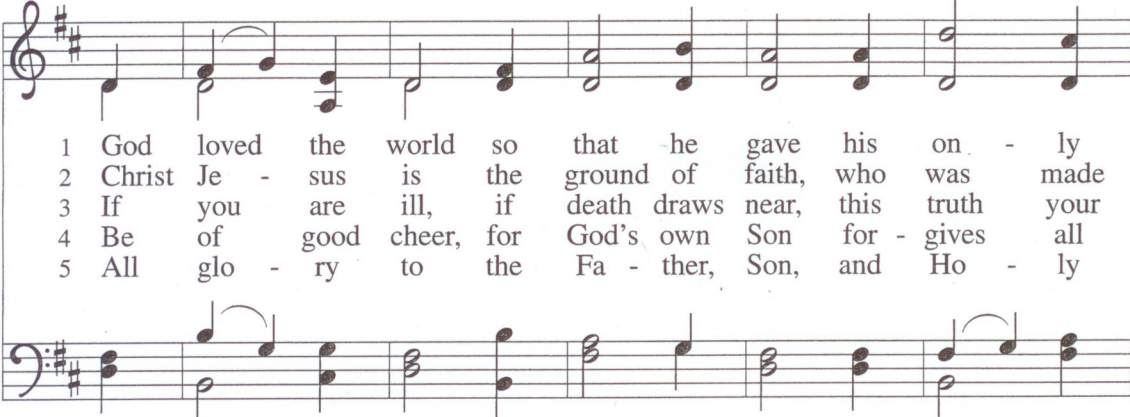
To be an inspired body of Christ.



OUR MISSION

Love God. Love Others. Serve.

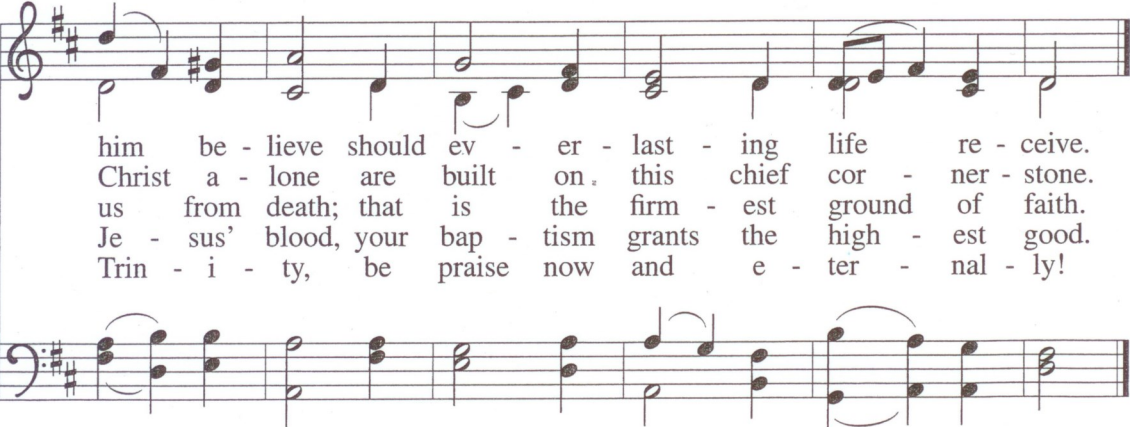
God Loved the World



1 God loved the world so that he gave his on - ly
2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, who was made
3 If you are ill, if death draws near, this truth your
4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son for - gives all
5 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly



Son the lost to save, that all who would in
flesh and suf - fered death; all who con - fide in
trou - bled heart can cheer: Christ Je - sus res - cues
sins that you have done, and jus - ti - fied by
Spir - it, Three in One! To you, O bless - ed



him be - lieve should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.
Christ a - lone are built on, this chief cor - ner - stone.
us from death; that is the firm - est ground of faith.
Je - sus' blood, your bap - tism grants the high - est good.
Trin - i - ty, be praise now and e - ter - nal - ly!

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

Collin Kasefang, Assisting Minister

Assistant:

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation:

Lord, have mer - cy.

3rd time to Coda ⊕

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

Assistant:

For the Reign of God, and for peace through - out the
For your peo - ple here, who have come to give you

cy.

world, for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the
praise, for the strength to live your Word, let us pray to the

⊕ Coda

Help, save, and de - fend us, O

cy.

* *Ending for Kyrie*

God.

A - - - - - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray,

Congregation: O God, rich in mercy, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TALK

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PARISH NEWS

FIRST READING: Genesis 32:23-30 *Pew Bible page 29*

Rob Blackburn, Lector

Jacob would not let go of God until he received God's blessing. We, too, should cling to God until God gives us the blessing of desire for God.

²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had.

²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip. ³²Therefore to this day the Israelites do not eat the thigh muscle that is on the hip socket, because he struck Jacob on the hip socket at the thigh muscle.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 *Pew Bible page #548*

Lector: ¹O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

Congregation: ²Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble ³and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

L: ¹⁷Some were sick through their sinful ways and because of their iniquities endured affliction;

C: ¹⁸they loathed any kind of food, and they drew near to the gates of death.

L: ¹⁹Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress;

C: ²⁰he sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from destruction.

L: ²¹Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.

C: ²²And let them offer thanksgiving sacrifices, and tell of his deeds with songs of joy.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:1-10 *Pew Bible page. #1066*

While we were dead in our sinfulness, God acted to make us alive as a gift of grace in Christ Jesus. We are saved not by what we do but by grace through faith. Thus our good works are really a reflection of God's grace at work in our lives.

¹You were dead through the trespasses and sins ²in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. ³All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else.

⁴But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us ⁵even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—⁹not the result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL RESPONSE *hymnal #616 Jesus Remember Me*

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

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The musical score consists of two systems. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: 'Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.'

GOSPEL: John 3:14-21 *Pew Bible page.#970*

To explain the salvation of God to the religious leader, Nicodemus, Jesus refers to the scripture passage quoted in today's first reading. Just as those who looked upon the bronze serpent were healed, so people will be saved when they behold Christ lifted up on the cross.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to John the 3rd chapter.

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

¹⁴Jesus said, "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. ²¹But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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SERMON

Pastor Bob Stelter

Lenten Sermon Series: Finding Hope in Suffering
Today: When Suffering Drives Joy Away

1. Be authentic with God, especially when suffering.
2. Have focus and intention.
3. Add things into life that lead to delight.

HYMN OF THE DAY hymnal # 613 *stand*

Thy Holy Wings



1 Thy ho - ly wings, O Sav - ior, spread gent - ly o - ver me,
 2 Oh, let me nes - tle near thee, with - in thy down - y breast
 3 Oh, wash me in the wa - ters of No - ah's cleans - ing flood.



and let me rest se - cure - ly through good and ill in thee.
 where I will find sweet com - fort and peace with - in thy nest.
 Give me a will - ing spir - it, a heart both clean and good.



Oh, be my strength and por - tion, my rock and hid - ing place,
 Oh, close thy wings a - round me and keep me safe - ly there,
 Oh, take in - to thy keep - ing thy chil - dren great and small,



and let my ev - 'ry mo - ment be lived with - in thy grace.
 for I am but a new - born and need thy ten - der care.
 and while we sweet - ly slum - ber, en - fold us one and all.

APOSTLES' CREED FOR LENT

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us proclaim our faith.

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.

THE PRAYERS *stand or kneel*

Assistant: Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

A brief silence.

Assistant: Gracious God, your love unites. Give vision to the global church and foster cooperation in mission. Increase inter-religious understanding and ecumenical dialog. Make your church a sanctuary for all fleeing persecution, disaster and war. Hear us, O God.

Congregation: Your mercy is great.

A: Creating God, your love enlivens. Restore balance to the earth's fragile habitats. Preserve wilderness lands, rainforests, and wildlife. Cleanse oceans and rivers. Make us good stewards of the earth. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Righteous God, your love liberates. We give thanks for those who courageously witness to your liberating love, especially Harriet Tubman and Sojourner Truth, renewers of society, who we commemorate today. Free all people from the evils of racism, religious strife, and hatred. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Merciful God, your love heals. Care tenderly for all whose loved ones perished from pandemic disease in every nation. Strengthen health care workers, first responders and care givers. Relieve all who live with chronic illness and pain. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Incarnate God, your love enlightens. Open our hearts and minds to fresh understandings of our faith. Deepen our love for you and for one another. Teach us to pray for our enemies. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A: Abiding God, your love saves. Those who died in the faith are made alive in Christ. We give thanks for your promise that we also will be raised to newness of life. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Silence for individual prayer petitions.

Pastor: Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, 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 AND MINISTRY *sit*


OFFERING ANTHEM

In the Garden


OFFERING HYMN *stand*

As the Grains of Wheat

Refrain




As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in-to one to be-come our bread;




so may all your peo-ple from all the ends of earth be




gath-ered in-to one in you.

To Verses below

1. As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,—
2. Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when



To Refrain



may we share the pres-ence of your love.
all cre-a-tion shares this feast with you.

NOW THE FEAST AND CELEBRATION OFFERING PRAYER

Assistant: Let us pray. Merciful God,

Congregation: **everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: *Congregation:*

The Lord be with you. And also with

Pastor: *Congregation:*

you. Lift up your hearts. We

Pastor:

lift them to the Lord. Let us give

Congregation:

thanks to the Lord our God. It is

right to give God thanks and praise.

THE 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 during Lent, that renewed, 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:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and

might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the

One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the

high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR LENT

Pastor: You are indeed holy, gracious and merciful God, creator of heaven and earth; everything, everywhere is filled with your glory. You sent Jesus, who in word and deed announced your rule of justice and peace. He was obedient unto death, even death on a cross. We remember how on the night of his betrayal 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."

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."

Remembering his command that we love one another, his life and passion, and his glorious resurrection, we proclaim.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: With one will and one voice, we pray:

**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.**

INVITATION FOR LENT

Pastor: Return to the Lord your God. For God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. (*Joel 2:13*)

Lamb of God seated

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

DISTRIBUTION HYMN hymnal #672

Signs and Wonders



1 Signs and won - ders lead the danc - ing from the heart God frees from fear:
2 Hope and free - dom join the cir - cle: Mar - y to the gar - den came,
3 Cast a - side all fear and hid - ing; hand in hand we dance the round.



wings of an - gels greet the mai - den, and God finds a dwell - ing here;
saw the ra - diance of the mar - vel, heard the Ris - en call her name;
God is with us, Christ, a - bid - ing, and the Spir - it's gifts a - bound.



bold - ly may we lift our hands, bow the head, and voice A - men;
bold - ly may we heed Christ's call, step be - yond the gar - den wall:
Called by God to ho - li - ness, let us bold - ly serve and bless;



thus does glo - ry shine at mid - night: o - pen hearts in - vite the star - light.
beau - ti - ful the feet pro - ceed - ing with good news of death's de - feat - ing.
and to hearts that sigh and hun - ger may our lives dance signs and won - ders.

COMMUNION BLESSING *stand*

Pastor: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

Congregation: Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Assistant: Let us pray.

All: Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silence for reflection.

PRAYER FOR SENDING OF DEACONS Nancy Dean, Jane Dakolios: 3/10 - 3/23/2024

Pastor: Let us pray.

Congregation: Compassionate God, bless our deacons who go forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick and homebound. May this ministry be a sign of our love that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ, all may know your grace and healing. Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: May God bless us and keep us. May God's face shine on us
and be gracious. May God look on us with favor and † give us peace.

Congregation: Amen.

SENDING HYMN hymnal, #673

God, Whose Almighty Word

1 God, whose al - might - y word cha - os and dark - ness heard
 2 Christ, who once came to bring, on your re - deem - ing wing,
 3 Spir - it of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly dove,
 4 Ho - ly and bless - ed three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,

and took their flight: hear us, we hum - bly pray, and where the
 heal - ing and sight; health to the trou - bled mind, sight where il -
 speed forth your flight; move on the wa - ter's face bear - ing the
 Wis - dom, Love, Might: bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in

gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light.
 lu - sions blind; oh, now to hu - man-kind let there be light.
 lamp of grace, and in earth's dark - est place let there be light.
 full - est pride, through the earth, far and wide, let there be light.

DISMISSAL

Assistant: Our mission calls us from this place

Congregation: to love God, love others, serve!

A: Go in peace.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Fairest Lord Jesus Garth Edmundson

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

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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 identities are united here in our mission to love God, love others and serve.

**Please sign a
Worship Card
and place it in
offering plate.**

Holy Week & Easter

PALM SUNDAY - MARCH 24

- + 9am Festus the donkey at worship
- + 10am pancake breakfast
- + 11:11am Festus the donkey at worship



MAUNDY THURSDAY - MARCH 28

- + 7pm worship & celebration of First Communion



GOOD FRIDAY - MARCH 29

- + Noon brief worship
- + 7pm worship

EASTER SUNDAY - MARCH 31

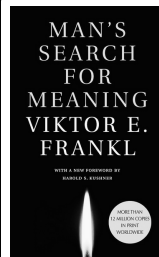
- + 9am traditional worship
- + 10am Easter egg hunt & childrens' activities
- + 11:11am contemporary worship



**PALM
SUNDAY
PANCAKES**



SUN, MAR 24, 10AM, RSVP AT
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Lenten Book Study

Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm
light dinner provided

Feb 21 & 28 - foreword thru p. 93
pause Mar 6 for First Wednesday
Mar 13 & 20 - p. 97 thru end

Large arrangements of beautiful spring flowers will adorn our sanctuary on Easter. Suggested donation for memorials and honorariums is \$15. Please note your intention on your contribution or pew envelope.



WORSHIP THEMES

- † Mar 10 - 4th Sunday in Lent - a time of repentance and renewal for Easter
Finding Hope in the Midst of Suffering: When Suffering Drives Joy Away

DIG IN, GROW DEEP, LEARN WITH OTHERS

- † Adult Bible Class Sundays, 10:15am in The Cup
- † Teen Sunday School, 10:15am in the Youth Room
- † Children's Sunday School, 10:15am in the classroom near the Nursery
- † Tuesday Bible Study, 1:30pm in The Cup

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

- † Hearts Across the Miles sends already-purchased Girl Scout cookies to our military members deployed overseas. If you have a family member or friend deployed through the end of April 2024 and would like them to receive cookies please send their deployment address to Melissa Russ at mhruss@msn.com by March 15.
- † 2024 Flower Chart is posted by the library. Sign up now to honor or remember loved ones with flowers on our altar.
- † Columbarium Niches are available for \$1,800 (members) and \$2,500 (non-members). Application forms are found in our *Columbarium Booklet* located in the narthex.
- † Handbell Rehearsal, Wednesdays 5:30pm
- † Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Wednesdays 6:30pm
- † Praise Band Rehearsal, Thurs 6pm & Sun 10:15am



SALVATION ARMY SHELTER VISIT

Tues Mar 26, depart from Faith 5pm
Current Needs L-XL men's boxer briefs & women's sizes 8-11 briefs
Contact Debbie Ragucci, 865-567-1945



KNOX AREA RESCUE MINISTRIES

Faith serves lunch Mar 23

Need casseroles, brownies, and servers
Contact George Herbold 865-207-0216

YOUTH EVENTS

Mar 17 Third Sunday Knox Area Lutheran Youth at Messiah
3rd-5th grd, 12:30-2pm | 6-12th grades 2:30-4pm

Apr 3 youth group (grd 6-12) at First Wed 6:30-7:30pm

Sign up for AFFIRM camp!

Incredible youth camp June 9-14 for students grade 6 to college. Our Youth Scholarship fund refunds you \$200+ after camp. Use sesyouth.org/AFFIRM to sign up. Questions? greg@faithloves.org or Carrie Parrot



Sun, Mar 17, 10:15am in The Cup
**Take Control of the
Long-Term Care Journey**
presented by Attorney Bailey Schiermeyer

Dr. Bob Stelter — Pastor
Greg Bohlken — Ministry Associate
Lynn Rognsvoog — Organist
Collin Kasefang — Choir Director

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Sandra Bohlken — Contemporary Worship Leader
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PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Friends: App family, Lisa Atkinson, Brian Austin, Glenn Bird, Bill Birkholz, Dee Bohn, Sharon Brokenshire, Ginger Cameron, Jeff Carter, Jaigne Chrisman, James Copeland, Bill Crain, Nancy Crain, Damico family, Sharon Danek, Errol Dennis, Sr. & family, Judy DiStefano, Brandy & Brian Duke, Vader Ernst, Alanna & Arnie Fenske, Joel Garber, Craig Graf, Grayson family, Matt Green & family, Gutelius family, John Hancock, John Hargrove, Rita Heavner, Linda Holtz, Hwangbo family, Joy Hymer, Dan Johnson, Dave Jones, Rob Keiser, Donna Knick, Clara Landau, Becky Larsen, Loyacano family, David Matthews, Pat Miller, Audra Tyler Moore, Mike Morgan, Marilyn Savilisky, Scaglione family, Jim Shea, Lynn Siegfried, Sylvia Smith, Austin Stephens, Frank Tyler, Carla Welch, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Martha Woodward, Dave Yackle, Christi, Darcy, Jody, Katie, Michael and those we name to you.

Joy: First Wednesday gatherings each month!

Joy at the birth of: Felicity, daughter of Breanna & William Halsey, big brothers Oliver & Henry.

Comfort in the Midst of Death for Family & Friends of: Bea Horian, Nat Ellis, Big Jake, Kyle Ollig

Salvation Army Friends: Maggie, Sarah, Denisha, Stephanie, Janelle, Genesis, Annette, Jada, Chase, Kensey, Caitlin, J. D., Chase, Brandon, Schott, Snake, Clyde, Randy, J.R., Teddy, Eddie, Jeffery, Shane, Darius, Bill

Prayers, Concern & Assistance: The people of Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Russia. Mentally & physically challenged. Veterans.

Partnerships: Bishop Pro-Tem Michael Burk & 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, Lutheran Church & School in Guatemala, AL-ANON, Narcotics Anonymous.

Peace: Protection for all armed forces, especially: Jacob Cole, Tyler Hitter, Anthony Hu, Chase Linell, HM, Alex Primka, Christine Russ, Alex Serrano, Sam Thompson, Mitchell Yount, Greg Zager.

Week of March 10 - March 16, 2024

Sunday, March 10 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

- 9:00am Traditional Worship Service
- 10:00am Fellowship *The Cup*
- 10:15am Adult Sunday School
- Children's Sunday School
- Teen Sunday School
- 11:11am Contemporary Worship Service

Monday, March 11

- 9:00am *The Cup* reserved by member
- Noon Via de Cristo Reunion Group *Library*

Tuesday, March 12

- 1:30pm Bible Study Small Group *The Cup*
- 6:00pm MOPS (Mothers of PreSchoolers)
- 7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

Wednesday, March 13

- 10:30am Pantry Leadership Meeting
- 4:15pm Staff Meeting
- 5:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30pm Lenten Book Study & Light Dinner
- 6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 14

- 6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal
- 7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

Friday, March 15

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

Saturday, March 16

- 9am-Noon *The Cup & Kitchen* reserved by member
- 11:00am AL-ANON meeting

Sunday, March 17 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

- 9:00am Traditional Worship Service
- 10:00am Fellowship *The Cup*
- 10:15am Adult Sunday School
- Children's Sunday School
- Teen Sunday School
- 11:11am Contemporary Worship Service
- 12:30pm 3rd-5th grd Knox Area Lutheran Youth @ Messiah
- 2:30pm 6th-12th grd Knox Area Lutheran Youth @ Messiah
- 3-7pm Sons of Norway *The Cup & Kitchen*



Giving 3/3/24

Offerings last Sunday: \$ 23,642
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WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY - 9am Traditional

- Altar Guild: Ann Stewart
- Assisting Minister: Collin Kasefang
- Lector: Rob Blackburn
- Communion Ministers: Mildred Fenske, Virginia McKinney
Allison Pressley, Danny Pressley
- Greeter: Jane Dakolios
- Ushers: Steve Dean, Brad Nelson
- Projection & Lights: Doug Bales
- Offering Stewards: Gary Dakolios, George Herbold

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY - 11:11am Contemporary

- Altar Guild: Vicki Adams
- Communion Ministers: Lisa Stelter, Emily Wright, Sarah Wright
Carrie Parrott, Jack Parrott
- Greeter: Yvette Edwards
- Ushers: Linda & John Shoemaker
- Projection & Lights: Jennifer Berry
- Offering Stewards: Gary Dakolios, George Herbold

Preparing for Next Week

Monday: Exodus 15:22-27, Hebrews 3:1-6, Psalm 107:1-16 • **Tuesday:** Numbers 20:1-13, 1 Corinthians 10:6-13, Psalm 107:1-16
Wednesday: Isaiah 60:15-22, John 8:12-20, Psalm 107:1-16 • **Thursday:** Isaiah 30:15-18, Hebrews 4:1-13, Psalm 51:1-12
Friday: Exodus 30:1-10, Hebrews 4:14-5:4, Psalm 51:1-12 • **Saturday:** Habakkuk 3:2-13, John 12:1-11, Psalm 51:1-12
Sunday: Jeremiah 31:31-34, Psalm 51:1-12, Hebrews 5:5-10, John 12:20-33