

Faith Lutheran Church

We warmly greet members and visitors in Jesus' name!

April 3, 2022 | 8:00 A.M. & 10:15 A.M. Fifth Sunday in Lent



Our God makes all things new. In the first reading God promises it. In the gospel Mary anticipates it, anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume in preparation for the day of his burial. In the second reading Paul recalls his transformation from the persecutor Saul into an apostle. In baptism, God's new person (you!) rises daily from the deadly mire of trespasses and sins.

Welcome to worship at Faith Lutheran Church!

Gathered faithfully to love and serve God and all others.

All the baptized are invited to the celebration of Holy Communion, trusting that Christ is present in this Sacrament for the forgiveness of our sin and the strengthening of our faith.



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Suzie Lehmann in celebration of her husband, Charles Tiernans' 88th Birthday.



Thank You for Serving Today:

Presiding Ministers: Rev. Marianne Powrie

Rev. Dr. Robert Mursch

Rev. Larry Wright

Lector: 8am Ron Walter | 10:15am Bill Kimbell

Cantor: Hannah Boyd

Greeting & Ushering: Thomas & Amanda Bright, Jerry Cooper, Eloise

Dettmer, Grace Kaarre, Alf Kirkeeng, Gail Lidinsky,

Judy Millard, Scott Rice, & Joan Searles Lars Olsen, Andrea & Sergio Gamboa

Videography:

Interim Music Director

& Organist: David Patrick

Vocal Quartet: Hannah Boyd, Chris Hird, Kiran Kimbell, and Thomas

Tryon

Altar Guild: Carole Inkrott, Judy Millard, Janet Phillips, and Steve

& Peggy Ragan

Congregation Council: Ann Greenwood (President), Scott Rice (Vice

President), Peggy Ragan (Secretary), Amanda Bright, Sandra Brinker, Grace Kaarre, Gail Lidinsky, Paco Martinez-Alvarez, Rev. Eric Olaf Olsen, and

Joan Searles

Faith Lutheran Staff: Tami Page (Operations Manager), Amanda Grados

(Preschool Director), Jason Page (Sexton)

Noted throughout the service: P: Presiding Minister L: Lector C: Congregation

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Largo from the New World Symphony

Antonin Dvorak

WE STAND

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.

P: Rejoice in this good news: In + Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

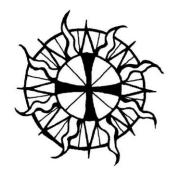
In the Cross of Christ I Glory Verses 1, 2, & 4

ELW 324



In the Cross of Christ I Glory





GREETING

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

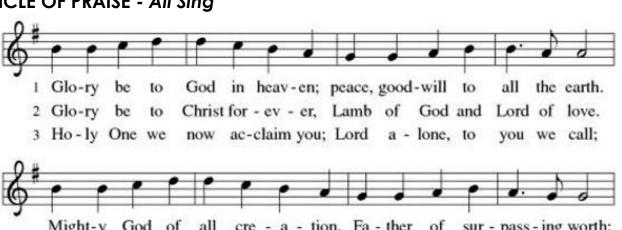
C: And also with you.

KYRIE



Re - new us with your sav-ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

CANTICLE OF PRAISE - All Sing



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand. For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

WE SIT

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 43:16-21

L: A reading from Isaiah.

¹⁶Thus says the LORD,

who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters,

¹⁷who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior;

they lie down, they cannot rise,

they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

¹⁸Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old.

¹⁹I am about to do a new thing;

now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

²⁰The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches;

for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert,

to give drink to my chosen people,

²¹the people whom I formed for myself

so that they might declare my praise.

Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM REFRAIN



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PSALM: PSALM 126

Refrain

¹When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, then were we like those who dream.

²Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy. Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

3The LORD has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.
4Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses of the Negeb.

Refrain

Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.
Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Refrain

SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 3:4b-14

L: A reading from Philippians.

[Paul writes:] ^{4b}If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

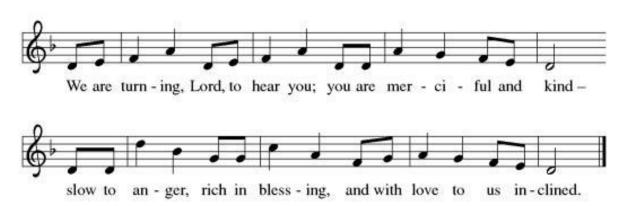
¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

WE STAND

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: JOHN 12:1-8

P: The holy gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: ¹Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵"Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ¬Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

WE SIT

SERMON Rev. Marianne Powrie

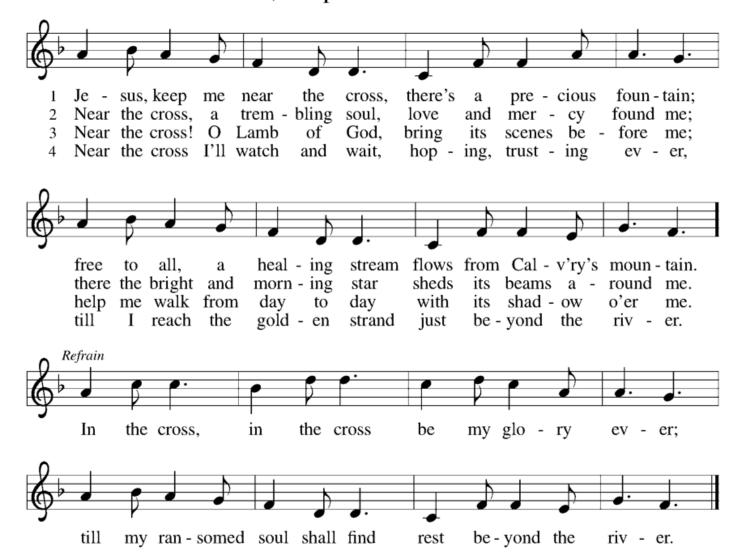
WE STAND

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

Verses 1 & 4

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross



APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

WE SIT

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

L: Do a new thing in the church. Free us from paradigms that no longer serve the gospel and bring forward leaders who imagine fresh ways of doing ministry. Give us courage in the face of change. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Do a new thing for creation. Reverse the trajectory of climate change and environmental catastrophe. Revive habitats already impaired by human disregard. Amplify the voices of climate scientists and researchers working to chart a new course. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Do a new thing in our world. Break barriers that prevent political enemies from working together for the well-being of all. Make a way for peace and collaboration among the nations. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Do a new thing for those who suffer. Reveal a path for any who are unemployed or underemployed, for those experiencing homelessness, and for all who struggle with money. Comfort those who grieve and restore those who are sick, especially those on our Prayer List. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Do a new thing within us. Direct us into encounters that broaden our understanding of the human experience. Amplify voices that are ignored or devalued. Deliver us especially from the scourge of racism. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Do a new thing in our death. Fill us with the knowledge of Christ and the power of his resurrection as we give thanks for all the saints who have attained the prize of their heavenly call. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

WE STAND FOR THE EXCHANGE OF PEACE

PEACE (feel free to greet your neighbor with a word of peace)

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

WE SIT

OFFERING

The ushers will pass the offering plates throughout the pews.

Frances Allitsen **ANTHEM** When I Survey the Wondrous Cross **Vocal Quartet OFFERATORY** Create in Me a Clean Heart **ELW 186** and re-new a right Cre-ate clean heart. O God, in me a spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the joy of and up-hold your sal - va - tion, me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

C: Extravagant God, you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

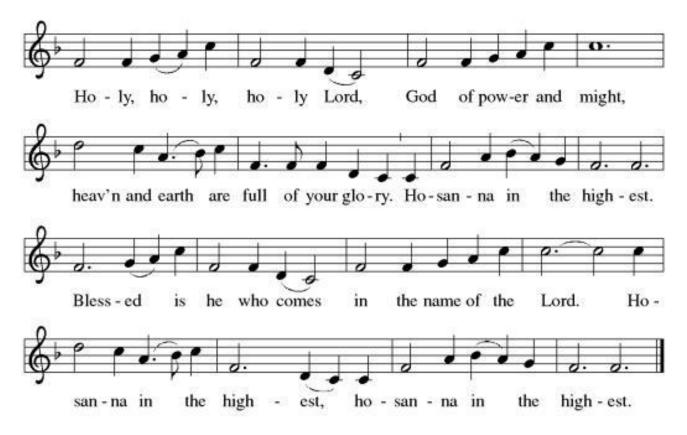
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

PREFACE

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 your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, 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:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,

the Word made flesh.

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. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

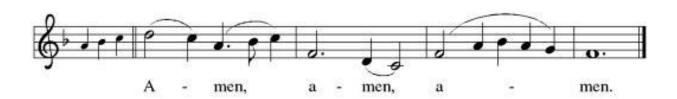
C: Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

C:



LORD'S PRAYER

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

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,

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

forever and ever. Amen.

P: Here is food and drink for the journey. Take and be filled.

All may sing, "Lamb of God" during this time.

The ushers will invite you to come forward to partake in communion.



P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray.

C: Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body, the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need. Amen.

BLESSING

P: You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey. Almighty God, motherly, majestic, and mighty, + bless you this day and always.

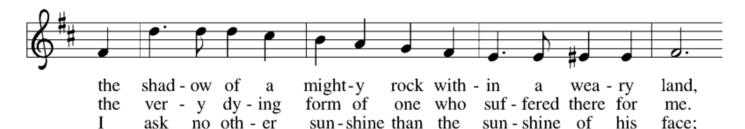
C: Amen.

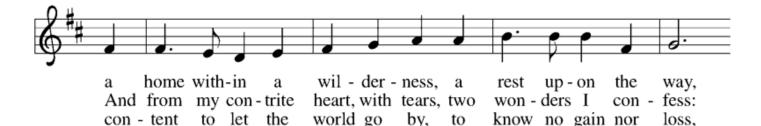
SENDING SONG

Beneath the Cross of Jesus All Verses **ELW 338**



- Be neath the of long to take my cross Je sus stand: Up - on the cross of Je eye at times can see sus, my
- 3 I take, O cross, your shad ow for my a bid ing place;







from the burn - ing of the noon-tide heat and bur-dens of the day. the . . . won-der of his glo-rious love and my un-wor-thi-ness. my . . . sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all, the cross.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Psalm XIX

Benedetto Marcello

"Journey", by Susan Palo Cherwien

A reading from a book of liturgical prose, Susan Palo Cherwien, from Glory into Glory: Reflections for Worship

Whether we want it or not life in space and time sweeps us along on a journey Time is in motion Space is in motion We live on a turning planet circling a star and the star with all its companions moves through space in one spiral arm of a large galaxy which is moving in a circular journey through space and time. We are on a journey of becoming whether we want to be or not.

The church year, most especially Lent, is an opportunity to do this consciously to participate consciously in becoming in transforming rather than just being swept unwillingly unknowingly along. When we follow Christ into Lent we turn onto a path into wilderness where we may encounter hard rocky places tempters and thirst but that will lead us out into the gold of the Easter dawn.

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