

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Today: 9:00 am Worship
Children's Church/Kid's Connect

10:00 am - Coffee fellowship

10:15 am – Sit Down Council

10:15 am – Altar Guild meeting

Easter Plant Order Deadline

Monday: 9:00 am - Bone Builders

2:00 pm - Handbell Rehearsals

Tuesday: 9:00 am - Lectio

6:30 pm - JOYFUL Rehearsal

Wednesday: 10:00 am - 1:00 pm - Quilters

4:00 pm – Lenten book study & Soup supper

Hanna Reichel's For Such a Time as This available at church

Part II discussed this week.

Thursday: 8:30 am - Men's Group

5:00 pm - Pop-Up Dinner

Next Sunday: Table Talk – Politics and the Pulpit

KNIFE RIVER PRAYER LIST

In need of healing: Seth Goodnature, David Hubbartt, Brent & Heather Mitchell, David Keller, Dean Basson, Mimi Bergstedt, Jackson Rolles, Amanda Zimmer, Ashley Kostuch, Brian Scribner, Joanne Alreck, Del Hubbartt, Andi White, Daniel Hubbartt, Pam West, Susan Hubbartt, Scott Shelerud, Laetitia Basson, Norbert Norman, Kay Bloom, Jamo Anderson.

Long Term Concerns: Sue Sigel, David Pierce, Jan Moon, Leif Zmolek, Dennis Swanson, Les Bolen, Veronica Persons, Peggy Behan, Paul von Goertz, Lil Hanson, Arianna Yang, Anneka Allert, Sandra Bjorum, Les Weiss, Ella Jackson, Bill DeRoche, Laurie Jackson, Susan Southard.

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Wherever you are in your journey of faith, you are welcome here!

Third Sunday in Lent, March 8, 2026



GATHERING

Prelude: “Thy Holy Wings”

Welcome – Announcements & Opportunities for Service

Confession and Forgiveness:

JOYFUL – “*Create in Me a Clean Heart*”

“O God, create in me a clean heart. And renew a right spirit within me. From your presence cast me not, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your Spirit free! Allow Your truth to fill my soul, truth in my innermost being. Away, wash away all my iniquity, cleanse me from all my sin. Broken the chains of sin! Arise! Be forgiven! Made clean again through the blood of Christ! You do this for me! Thank you for giving me a clean heart, and a new and right spirit within me. From Your presence cast me not, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. So let us all praise the Lord, the God of our salvation, praising together now and ever more.”

Gathering Hymn: #785 “When Peace Like a River”

Prayer of the Day

Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your

truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Conversation With Young Disciples

Children Dismissed

WORD

First Lesson: Exodus 17:1-7

Psalm 95

Gospel Reading: John 4:5-42

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

After the reading:

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: #331 “As the Deer Pants for the Water”

Prayers of the People

Bidding Invitation: Hear us, O God...

Congregation Response:... Your mercy is great.

Offering: “Living Water”

Offering Prayer

COMMUNION

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.

Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer

Communion: “I Want Jesus to Walk With Me”

Prayer

SENDING

Closing Hymn: #333 “Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land”

Blessing and Sending Forth:

P: Receive the blessing of the holy Trinity:

God, who calls all things into existence,

Jesus Christ, who redeems us,
and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation,
✠ bless you now and always.

Amen.

Dismissal:

P: Go in peace. Believe the good news.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude:

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Pastor Kris Gary

Organist/Pianist: Patti Stoddard

Clarinet: Lawrence Burkhard

Ushers/Greeters: David & Linda Grong

Lector: David Grong

Communion Assistant: Melanie McMillion

Counters: Joanie Lee & Pat Berger

Live stream: Tech Team

Children Church/Kids Connect: Anne & Gretta

Next Sunday: Lawrence & Anthony

Additional Items

Upcoming annual EcoFaith Summit will be Saturday, April 18, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm, at First Lutheran Church in Duluth. Registration is \$30 for adults, free for young adults, youth, and to watch the livestream. For more information check with Lawrence Burkhard or visit: <https://www.ecofaithnetwork.org/ecofaith-summit-2026>

Sign up for ChurchConnect – There are instructions and QR codes posted in the entrances and downstairs. You can email Ed Lee for a link to setup your profile on a computer. The QR code and link take you directly to Knife River’s site. Ask Ed or Hannah if you have any questions, or need help registering.