

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Today: 9:00 am Worship

Children's Church/Kid's Connect

10:15 am – Table Talk: Politics and the Pulpit

Monday: 9:00 am - Bone Builders

2:00 pm - Handbell Rehearsals

Tuesday: 9:00 am – Lectio

10:00 – 11:00 am – Planning Committee

6:30 pm - JOYFUL Rehearsal

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

4:00 – Lenten book study & Soup supper

We're discussing Part III

Thursday: 8:30 am - Men's Group

5:00 pm - Pop-Up Dinner

Next Sunday: NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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.

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, Amy Musel, 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!

4th Sunday in Lent, March 15, 2026

GATHERING

Prelude: “Arise! Be Strong and Courageous!”

Welcome – Announcements & Opportunities for Service

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,

who forgives all our sin,

whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For failing to recognize your coming reign,

and for hindering the work of the Spirit: Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition,

and for disdaining the living water Christ offers: Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For disregarding voices from the margin,



and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent,
and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound.

Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the
righteousness of Christ. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are
forgiven. The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead
dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts,
and gives you life and peace. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: #722 "O Christ, Your Heart Compassionate"

Prayer of the Day:

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.**

Conversation With Young Disciples

Children Dismissed

WORD

First Lesson: Ephesians 5:8-14

Psalm: Psalm 103:1-13

Gospel Reading: John 9:1-41

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

After the reading:

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: #331 "As the Deer Runs to the River"

Prayers of the People

Bidding Invitation: Hear us, O God...

Congregation Response: ...Your mercy is great.

Offering: "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

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:

Prayer

SENDING

Closing Hymn: #779 "Amazing Grace"

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 Mark Holman

Organist/Pianist: Karen Johnson Clarinet: Lawrence Burkhard

Ushers/Greeters: Melanie McMillion & Carmen Beardsley

Lector: Carmen Beardsley

Communion Assistant: Delores Jackson

Counters: Melanie McMillion & Anne Jaspersen

Live stream: Tech Team

Children Church/Kids Connect: Lawrence & Anthony

Next Sunday: Sara