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Faith Lutheran Church  
Green Bay, Wisconsin

**i** - congregation stands. **i** - congregation sits. **k** - congregation kneel or sit as you are able.  
**g** - congregation sings. Congregation responds in **bold** print.

*If you are uncomfortable standing or kneeling, you may choose to sit.*

### **Reminders in Preparation for Service:**

- i** • Please sign the red record of fellowship book to keep our records up to date.
- Out of respect for God's house and for those preparing for service, please maintain a quiet atmosphere prior to service by holding conversations in the narthex.
- While corporate confession and absolution is present at most services, if you would like to meet with Pastor privately, please speak with him to schedule a time for confession.
- Children are welcomed into our service and encouraged to participate with the rest of the congregation. If they do need some "wiggle room," you may move to the Wiggle Room (located in the narthex area), until they are ready to return to the service.

### **Visitors and Guests:** Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church. We are blessed to have you with us.

- While most of what you will need for service is found in this service folder, if the indication LSB appears, it refers to the Lutheran Service Book, which is found in the hymnal rack on the back of the pew in front of you.
- Please speak with Pastor before receiving the Lord's Supper. If you do not have the opportunity before service begins, you are welcome to receive a blessing during communion. Please indicate this desire by crossing your arms during the distribution of the sacrament.

**College Students:** Please let us know how we can assist you during your time away from home. Be sure to introduce yourself to Pastor or Deaconess before leaving and indicate your university and contact information in the red record of fellowship book.

**Prelude** "A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth" - Johann Pachelbel

HYMN: "The God of Abraham Praise" - LSB #798, stanzas 1, 3, 6, 8



1. The God of A - br'ham praise, Who reigns en - throned a - bove;  
2. The God of A - br'ham praise, Whose all - suf - fi - cient grace  
3. The good - ly land I see, With peace and plen - ty blest;  
4. The God who reigns on high The great arch - an - gels sing,



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days And God of love.  
Shall guide me all my pil - grim days In all my ways.  
A land of sac - red lib - er - ty And end - less rest.  
And "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!" cry, "Al - might - y King!



Je - ho - vah, great I AM! By earth and heav'n con - fessed;  
He deigns to call me friend; He calls Him - self my God.  
There milk and hon - ey flow, And oil and wine a - bound,  
Who was and is the same And ev - er - more shall be:



I bow and bless the sa - cred name For - ev - er blest.  
And He shall save me to the end Through Je - sus' blood.  
And trees of life for - ev - er grow With mer - cy crowned.  
Je - ho - vah, Fath - er, great I AM! We wor - ship Thee!"

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM

(Lutheran Service Book p. 268)

Baptized today: Violet Bea Van Ess  
Parents: Alexander and Emily Van Ess  
Sponsors: Derek and Samantha Blackman

CONFESSION OF SINS

Do you renounce the devil?  
Yes, I renounce him.

Do you renounce all his works?  
Yes, I renounce them.

Do you renounce all his ways?  
Yes, I renounce them.

ABSOLUTION

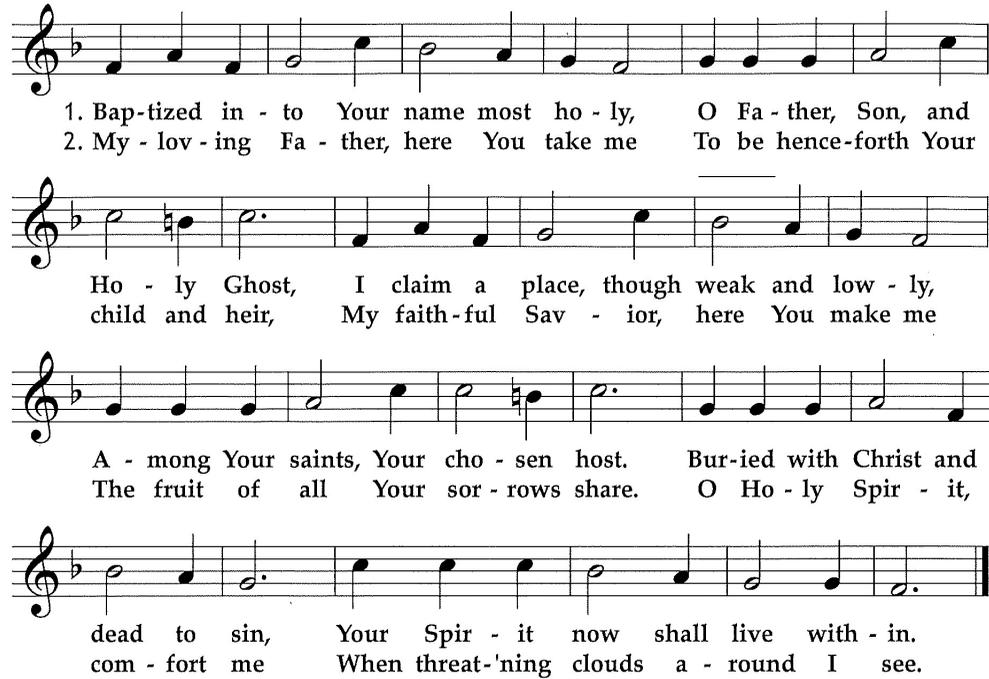
CONFESSION OF FAITH (Apostles' Creed)

Do you believe in God the Father Almighty?  
Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son?  
Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?  
Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**BAPTISMAL HYMN: "Baptized Into Your Name Most Holy" - LSB #590**



1. Bap-tized in - to Your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and  
2. My - lov - ing Fa - ther, here You take me To be hence-forth Your

Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,  
child and heir, My faith-ful Sav - ior, here You make me

A - mong Your saints, Your cho - sen host. Bur-ied with Christ and  
The fruit of all Your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,

dead to sin, Your Spir - it now shall live with - in.  
com - fort me When threat-'ning clouds a - round I see.

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God, You see that by ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power, defend us from all adversities that attack the body and from all evil thoughts that assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**READINGS**

**Old Testament**

**Genesis 14:17-24**

After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. (He was priest of God Most High.) And he blessed him and said,

"Blessed be Abram by God Most High,  
Possessor of heaven and earth;  
and blessed be God Most High,  
who has delivered your enemies into your hand!"

And Abram gave him a tenth of everything. And the king of Sodom said to Abram, "Give me the persons, but take the goods for yourself." But Abram said to the king of Sodom, "I have lifted my hand to the Lord, God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth, that I would not take a thread or a sandal strap or anything that is yours, lest you should say, 'I have made Abram rich.' I will take nothing but what the young men have eaten, and the share of the men who went with me. Let Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre take their share."

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 121**

*Cantor:* I lift up my eyes to mountains, from where shall come my help?  
My help shall come from the Lord who made heaven and earth. **antiphon**

May he never allow you to stumble! Let him sleep not, your guard.  
No, he sleeps nor slumbers, Israel's guard. **antiphon**

The Lord is your guard and your shade; at your right hand he stands.  
By day the sun will not smite you nor the moon in the night. **antiphon**

The Lord will guard you from evil, he will guard your soul.  
The Lord will guard your going and coming both now and forever. **antiphon**

**Epistle**

**Romans 4:1-8, 13-17**

What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness." Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works:

"Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven,  
and whose sins are covered;  
blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin."

For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Verse for Lent**

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra-cious and mer-ci-ful, slow to an-ger,  
and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love, and a - bound-ing in stead - fast love.

The Holy Gospel, according to St. John, the third chapter:  
**Glory to You, O Lord**

**HOLY GOSPEL**

**John 3:1-17**

Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him."

Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."

Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?"

Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?"

Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.  
**Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Children's Lesson** Alex Wright - *Director of Christian Education*

**HYMN:** "God Loved the World So That He Gave" - *LSB #571*

**THE MESSAGE** Pastor Joshua Errer

## Gathering of the Offering

Handbells "What Wondrous Love is This" - arr. S. Berry and J. Van Valey

*Did you know that your offering facilitates Christian education to over 150 students at NEW Lutheran High School?*

*Faith members willingly support the ministry of this congregation with their tithes and offerings. Visitors are always welcomed as our guests, so please do not feel obligated to contribute. During the gathering of the offering we ask that the registration in the red folder located at the end of each pew be passed down and filled out by visitors and members. Visitors, please remember to include contact information if you are interested in knowing more about Faith.*

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## OFFERTORY: "Create in Me" (Ps. 51:1-12)

**i**

C: Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres-ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion; and up - hold me with Thy free Spir-it. A - men.

## THE PRAYERS

+ SACRAMENT +  
(LSB p. 160)

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS) recognizes and respects the differences in beliefs regarding the nature and confession of Holy Communion and therefore holds to the Biblical practice of closed communion. We believe Christ's body and blood is being distributed with the bread and wine during the Lord's Supper. This is Christ's gift given for the forgiveness of sins, the strengthening of faith, and for the public confession of what we believe and teach. Since it is possible to receive the Lord's Supper sinfully and to your detriment, we ask that you speak with the pastor prior to receiving the Lord's Supper.

## PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]

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

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

[Psalm 136]

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## PROPER PREFACE

SANCTUS

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might:  
 Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
 san-na. 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.

LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
 Amen.

AGNUS DEI

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.

COMMUNION HYMNS

"Lord of This Holy Meal"

1 Lord of this ho - ly meal, Your lav - ish  
 2 How great this mys - ter - y In which we  
 3 Come now, the feast is spread; Come and be  
 4 O ho - ly Lamb once slain, Cleanse sin's deep  
 love re - veal To all who seek for - give-ness in this  
 taste and see The trea-sures of God's mer - cy and sal -  
 tru - ly fed! This ta - ble Je - sus sets will fill your  
 scar - let stain, Your spot-less righ-teous - ness to us ex -

din - ner. Feed now with food di - vine,  
 va - tion! How blest be - yond com - pare,  
 hun - ger: Grace of - fered with - out cost,  
 tend - ing; As we are pu - ri - fied,

Un - der the bread and wine: Your bod - y and Your  
 As here we free - ly share In Christ, our ref - uge  
 Grace, sin can - not ex - haust— Why fast from His rich  
 Your joy and peace pro - vide A fore - taste of that

blood for ev - 'ry sin - ner.  
 from all con - dem - na - tion!  
 kind - ness an - y long - er?  
 ban - quet nev - er - end - ing.

"A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth" - LSB #438

**i** POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE - *Nunc dimittis*

Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have prepared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to reveal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it; as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT  
Amen.

BENEDICTION

**B** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\text{✙}$  give you peace.

**A** A - men.

Welcome and Announcements

HYMN: "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" - LSB #427

1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing  
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -  
3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing Light and  
4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure By the  
o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sa - cred  
ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -  
love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - diance  
cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no  
sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.  
sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.  
stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.  
mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.

Postlude

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## Midweek Services

(Wednesdays at 4 & 6:30 pm)

Services follow Evening Prayer (LSB pg. 243)

\*Midweek Meals will be served from 5:00 pm—6:00 pm\*

- March 4            Midweek Service  
(Meal hosted by Altar Guild)
- March 11          Midweek Service  
(Meal hosted by Adult Handbells & Choir)
- March 18          Midweek Service  
(Meal hosted by Evangelism & Fellowship)
- March 25          Midweek Service  
(Meal hosted by Church Council)



- Sun. 3/29    Passion Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am  
(6:30 pm Monday)
- Thur. 4/2    Maundy Thursday 6:30 pm  
(1st Communion )
- Fri. 4/3    Tre Ore Service 12:00 - 3:00 pm  
(7 small services all approx. 25 min. long)  
Tenebrae Service 6:30 pm
- Sat. 4/4    Easter Vigil 8:00 pm
- Sun. 4/5    Easter Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am  
(Adult Choir sings at 8 &  
Childrens' Choirs sing at 10:30)  
(Easter Breakfast will be served from 9:00-10:30 am)
- Mon. 4/6    **No Monday Evening Service**