

Holy Week Services:

Maundy Thursday: Thursday, March 28 @ 6:00pm

Good Friday: Friday, March 29 @ 6:00pm

Annual Easter Egg Hunt: Saturday, March 30 @ 10:00am

Easter Sunday: Sunday, March 31:

1st Easter Service at 9:00am, 2nd Easter Service at 10:30am

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY!

Faith Lutheran Church of Spicer is delighted to have you join us for today's worship service. We are a congregation of the Southwest Minnesota Synod of the ELCA. Faith Lutheran seeks to live out this mission:

God gathers us as a family of Faith to nurture, inspire, and share the love of Jesus with all people.

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Maundy Thursday Worship



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PRELUDE

Lucia Anderson

WELCOME**CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism. Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

(silence for reflection)

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

HYMN*Great God, Your Love Has Called Us*

ELW 358

GREETINGThe Lord be with you. **And also with you.****PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. Holy God, **source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Exodus 12:1-14**SECOND READING:** 1 Corinthians 11:23-26**LENTEN VERSE***ELW pg. 151 "Return to the Lord your God..."***GOSPEL:** John 13:1-17, 31b-35God speaks, we live. **Thanks be to God.****SERMON**

Pastor Katherine Rood

HYMN*Lamb of God*

ELW 336

PRAYERSLord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.****PEACE**The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.****GREAT THANKSGIVING**The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.****WORDS OF INSTITUTION****LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION**DISTRIBUTION HYMN***Where Charity and Love Prevail*

ELW 359

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR/READING OF PSALM 22*We leave the sanctuary in silence.*

Thank you to accompanist, Sue Rime, and to Lucia Anderson for her music.

***Please place your offering in the offering plate at the back of the Sanctuary when you leave the service today.*