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March 17, 2024 + 8:30 am

Notes To Assist Our Worship

Welcome – We are glad you chose to worship here today! We hope you discover the presence of God here and that together we can grow as friends of Christ and one another.

Standing and Sitting – If standing, sitting, and kneeling is too much for you, please remain seated (or standing at the communion rail) during those parts of the service. God is coming to you with His Gospel gifts. Our standing, sitting, and kneeling are simply our responses to God based on our health and ability.

Nursery – Faith Lutheran Church has a staffed nursery available for you to use on Sundays for children age 3 and younger. Please ask an usher if you need assistance in finding the nursery.

Hearing Impaired – Do you have a hearing impairment that makes it difficult to enjoy worship as much as you would like? Faith has a "hearing loop" for those with hearing aids with that feature. We also offer hearing impaired FM receivers for those wishing to use one. Please see one of our sound technicians for assistance.

Notes on Communion – If you need gluten-free wafers, they are located on a stand in front of the baptismal font to be picked up on your way to the communion rail. If you need a non-alcoholic option, white grape juice is in the center of the communion tray.

Communion Distribution – The practice at Faith, after having received communion and the blessing, is that you step back (off the carpet) so that the next group can proceed forward and prepare for receiving communion.

Our Hymnals – *LSB* refers to the *Lutheran Service Book*, which is the burgundy hard covered book in the pew rack. *WOV* refers to *With One Voice*, the smaller blue soft cover book.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

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PRELUDE Air 18th C.

(Lois Smith & Paul VanHorn, saxophones)

WELCOME

*ENTRANCE HYMN COME TO CALVARY'S HOLY MOUNTAIN

LSB 435

*INVOCATION

We begin in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us return to our gracious and merciful God, confessing our need for healing.

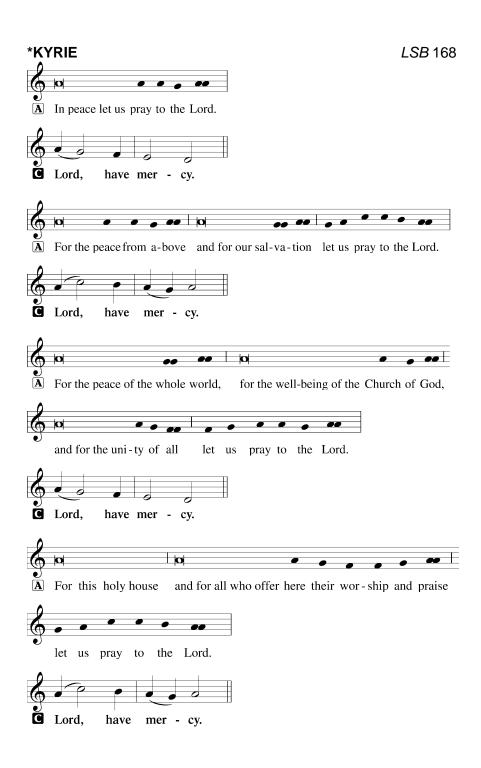
Silence for reflection and self-examination.

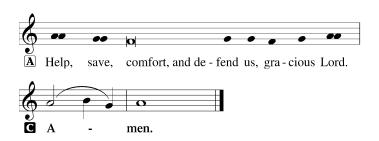
Gracious God,

have mercy on us. In Your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and things left undone. Uphold us by Your Spirit so that we may live and serve You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God looks upon us with mercy and by water and the word joins us to the saving death of Jesus Christ. Through the Holy Spirit God raises us with Christ to new life. I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

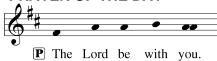
Amen.







LSB 172





Let us pray together.

Almighty God, You have written Your Word on our hearts and have promised to be our God forever. Give us strength to fear, love, and trust in You all of our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹ "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, ³² not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the Lord. ³³ For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me,

from the least of them to the greatest, declares the Lord. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



⁹How can a young man keep his | way pure?*
By guarding it according | to your word.

10With my whole heart I | seek you;*
let me not wander from your com- | mandments!

¹¹I have stored up your word | in my heart,* that I might not sin a- | gainst you.

¹²Blessèd are you, | O LORD;* teach me your | statutes!

¹³With my lips | I declare*

all the just decrees | of your mouth.

14In the way of your testimonies | I delight* as much as in all | riches.

¹⁵I will meditate on your | precepts* and fix my eyes | on your ways.

¹⁶I will delight in your | statutes;* I will not for- | get your word.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;

As it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Hebrews 5:1-10

5 For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ² He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. ³ Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. ⁴ And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵ So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

"You are my Son,

today I have begotten you";

⁶ as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever,

after the order of Melchizedek."

⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus^[a] offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸ Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹ And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰ being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*RESPONSE

RETURN TO THE LORD

LSB 173

Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, Slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and abounding in steadfast love.

*HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:35-45

LSB 173

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the tenth chapter.



³⁵And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to [Jesus] and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" ³⁷And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" ³⁹And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰but to sit at my

right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." ⁴¹And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴²And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

The Gospel of the Lord.

to

You,

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Praise

HYMN OF THE DAY CHRIST SITS AT GOD'S RIGHT HAND LSB 564/vv. 1,4,5,6

Christ.

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MESSAGE "God of Covenants" Pastor Peter

God promises to:

1. ______

2. _____

*A CONFESSION OF FAITH - THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made

man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH Sick/Hospitalized:

- Bill Cerveny, father of Liam Cerveny, recovering from a fall
- Walker, infant grandson of a friend of Robin Arnone's, fighting cancer
- Frieda Hanna, neighbor of Cheryl Speisman, hospitalized after a fall
- Kim Prall, acquaintance of Carol Letky, serious health issues
- Sarah Flint, mother of Terry Allen, hospitalized at Highland with sepsis
- Andi Drahms, friend of Pat Claus, recovery from esophageal cancer surgery on 3/14
- Sue Carpenter, friend of Pat Claus, multiple health issues

Other:

Prayers for our DCE search process

Called to Glory:

- Karen Macklen (3/8/24), aunt of Elizabeth Balentine
- Louis Ehmann (3/8/24), veteran and friend of Bob Freitag

GATHERING OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

MUSICAL OFFERING He Will Hold Me Fast Habershon & Merker (Kim Ebbecke, soloist; Elizabeth Balentine, piano)

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast; When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast. I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path; For my love is often cold; he must hold me fast.

Chorus

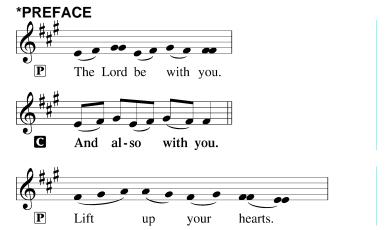
He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

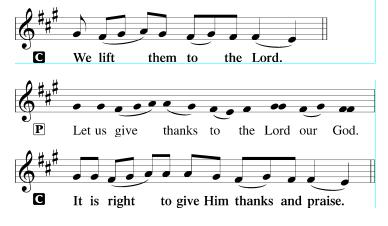
Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast. Chorus

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last! Chorus

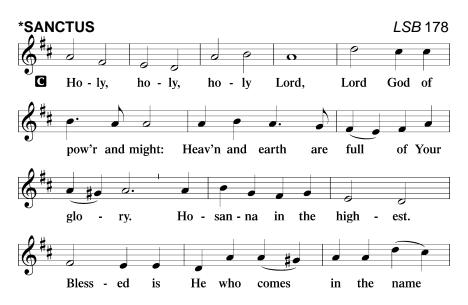
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+SACRAMENT +





It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





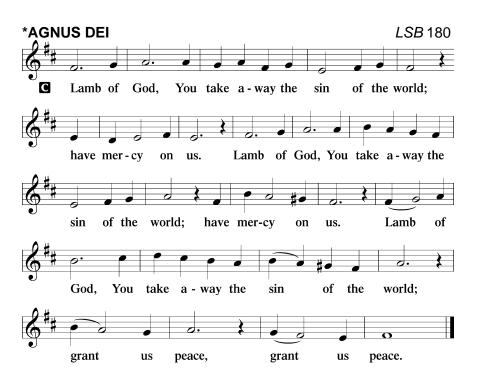
*LORD'S PRAYER

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, forever and ever. Amen.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*SHARING OF THE PEACE



FAITH COMMUNION STATEMENT

Holy Communion is a gift from God and an expression of our unity in the Christian faith. We invite and welcome to the Lord's Table those who joyfully affirm the following:

- + I believe that I am a sinner and I repent of my sins.
- + I believe that in eating this bread and drinking this wine, I am receiving the Lord's true body and blood.
- + I believe that my sins are forgiven in this sacrament and I will strive to amend my life by the power of the Holy Spirit.
- + I have been baptized.
- + I have been prepared for Holy Communion through instruction. (For those with dietary restrictions, please see "Notes" on page 1.)

*RECEPTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

I COME, O SAVIOR, TO THY TABLE

LSB 618

JESUS COMES TODAY WITH HEALING

LSB 620

*POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING HYMN LORD, DISMISS US WITH YOUR BLESSING
LSB 924

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Fugato Stamitz

Thank you to our volunteers!

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Acolyte/Crucifer: Maxwell Poromon, TBA

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Lay Reader: Ruiyan Wang Live Stream: McKayla Nolan

Sound: Bob Helm

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