

The First Sunday in Lent February 18, 2024



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§ A Heartfelt Welcome To Our Guests §

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church (FELC). We're pleased you've come to receive the blessings our Lord gives in the Divine Service. Please help us get to know you and record your attendance by signing the red record of fellowship book as it is passed down the pew and/or the guest book in the narthex. Most Sundays we host refreshments after the service. Please join us downstairs in the Parish Fellowship. This is a great way to get to know the members of the family of FELC.

Holy Communion Announcement

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Faith in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased.

How Can We Help You? We want your visit to be a blessing to you and strive to be as user friendly as possible. Our pastor is also available for pastoral care whether you're here for a week, months, years, or permanently. Faith is a member of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Those Serving February 18th at Faith

Organist	Heidi Perling
Acolyte	
Altar Guild	Lee Phinney
Ushers	Paul Clark, Leroy Tronstad
	Tom Dunn, Fred Brady

Asst. Minister	Justin Munson
Greeters	
Refreshments	
Sermon Title	Steadfast under Trial

Confession and Absolution

Please rise. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

The Congregation reflects silently on God's Word using the Ten Commandments to examine specific sins committed in thought, word, and deed.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the A Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

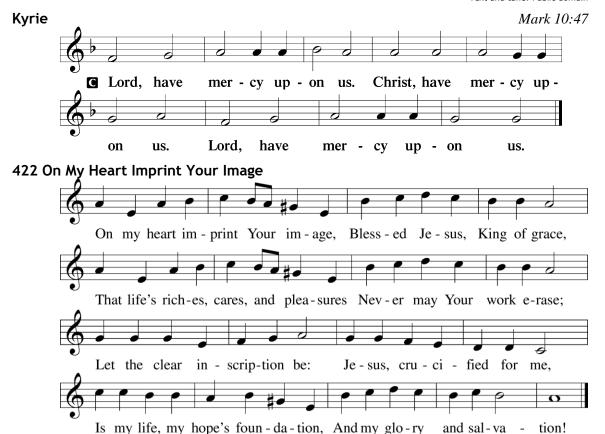
707 Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways





Oh. that my God would grant me grace To know and do will! do - min-ion, Lord, But keep my con-science clear. Let sin have no for - get Thy way, Re-store Thy wan-d'ring sheep. And should I e'er heart or hands Of-fend a-gainst my let my head or

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Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray. O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated.

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 22:1–18

A The Old Testament Reading for the first Sunday in Lent is from Genesis, chapter 22.

¹After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ²He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." ⁶And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

⁹When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ¹²He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." ¹³And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold,

behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

¹⁵And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven ¹⁶and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, ¹⁸and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

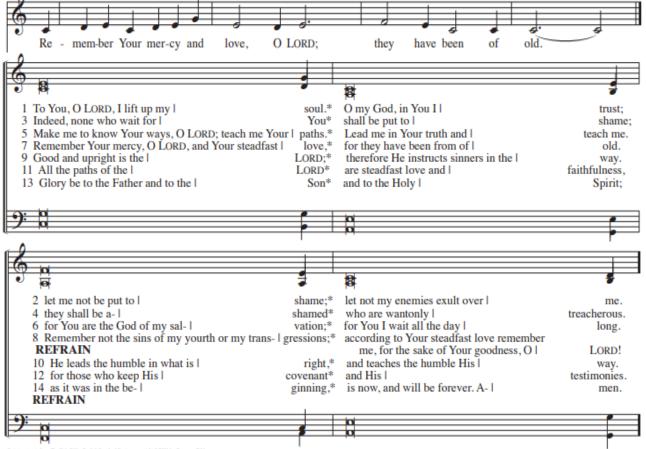
C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 25:1–10

The choir will sing the refrain the first time through, followed by the congregation.

The choir will sing verses 1 & 2 and invite the congregation to join them for the rest.



Epistle James 1:12–18

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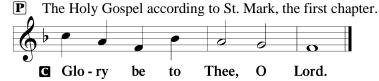
¹²Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. ¹³Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

¹⁶Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

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

Please rise.

Holy Gospel Mark 1:9–15



⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

¹²The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."



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 men 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.

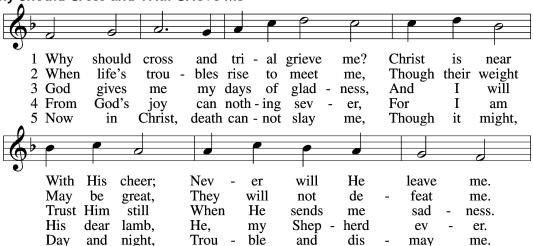
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

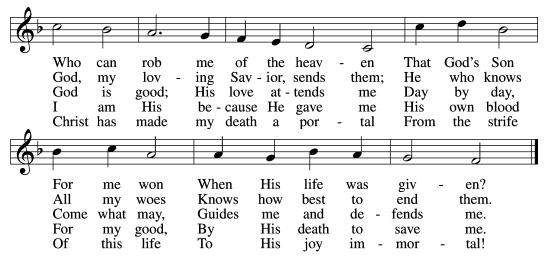
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

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.

Please be seated.

756 Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me



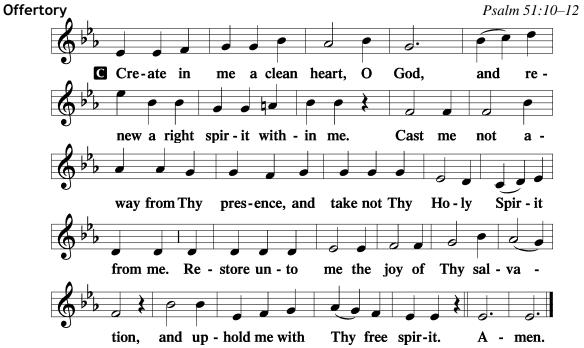


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Sermon

- P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C Amen.

Please rise.



Please be seated.

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Offering

Please rise.

P	O Lord,	C	have mercy.
P	O Christ,	C	have mercy.
P	O Lord,	C	have mercy.
P	O Christ,	C	hear us.
P	God the Father in heaven,	C	have mercy.
P	God the Son, Redeemer of the world,	C	have mercy.
P	God the Holy Spirit,	C	have mercy.
P	Be gracious to us.	C	Spare us, good Lord.

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Help us, good Lord.

- P By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity;
 - by Your baptism, fasting, and temptation;
 - by Your agony and bloody sweat;
 - by Your cross and passion;
 - by Your precious death and burial;
 - by Your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:
- C Help us, good Lord.

Be gracious to us.

- In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of judgment:
- C Help us, good Lord.
- **P** We poor sinners implore You
- C to hear us, O Lord.
- To prosper the preaching of Your Word; to bless our prayer and meditation; to strengthen and preserve us in the true faith; and to give heart to our sorrow and strength to our repentance:
- **C** We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
 - To draw all to Yourself; to bless those who are instructed in the faith; to watch over and console the poor, the sick, the distressed, the lonely, the forsaken, the abandoned, and all who stand in need of our prayers; to give abundant blessing to all works of mercy; and to have mercy on us all:
- **C** We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

- P To turn our hearts to You; to turn the hearts of our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers; and graciously to hear our prayers:
- **C** We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
- P Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
- **C** we implore You to hear us.
- P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- C have mercy.
- P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- C have mercy.
- P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- **C** grant us Your peace.
- P O Christ,
- C hear us.
- **P** O Lord,
- P O Christ,
- P O Lord,

- C have mercy.
- C have mercy.
- **C** have mercy. Amen.

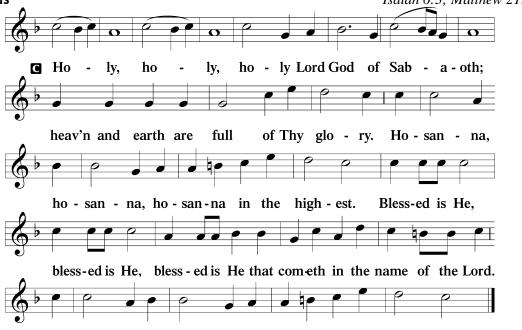
Service of the Sacrament



It is truly meet, 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:

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3: Matthew 21:9



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9–13

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.

The Words of Our Lord

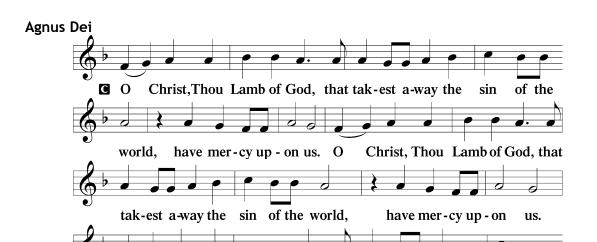
Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."







Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the

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world, grant us Thy peace.

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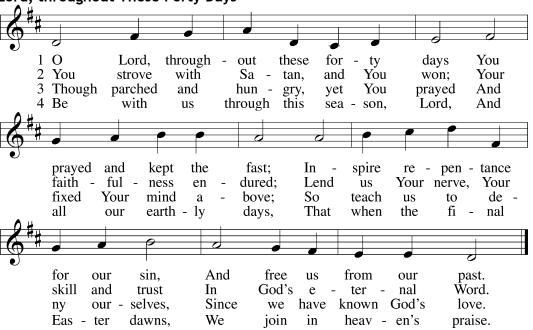
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5 O blessèd heir of heaven,
You'll hear the song resound
Of endless jubilation
When you with life are crowned.
In your right hand your maker
Will place the victor's palm,
And you will thank Him gladly
With heaven's joyful psalm.

6 Our hands and feet, Lord, strengthen;
With joy our spirits bless
Until we see the ending
Of all our life's distress.
And so throughout our lifetime
Keep us within Your care
And at our end then bring us
To heav'n to praise You there.

728 How Firm a Foundation



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- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.
- C Amen.

Please rise.

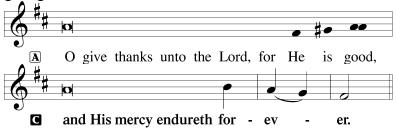
Nunc Dimittis Luke 2:29-32 Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace acmine cord-ing to Thy word, for eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people, to light-en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry a light of Thy 0 peo-ple Is ra-el. Glo - ry be to the Father and the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning, to

be, world with - out end.

A-men.

is now, and ev-er shall

Thanksgiving Psalm 107:1



Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.







Benediction Numbers 6:24–26

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and

→ give you peace.





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FELC ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK IN PERSON AND THROUGH ZOOM

Sunday	9:00 AM	Christian Education - Sunday School / The Revelation	
	10:30 AM	Divine Service	
		PPC Meeting	
Monday 10AM-2PM		Piece Makers @ Schumacher's House	
	3:30 PM	Zoom Bible Study	
Tuesday 1:00 PM		Philippians with Pastor Ben	
	6:30 PM	Ladies of Faith	
Wednesday 10:00AM-12:00 PM		Ladies Card Group	
	12:00 PM	Lent Service	
		@FLW Main Chapel	
	5:30 PM	Dinner	
	6:15 PM	Classes	
		@ FELC	
	6:00 PM	Lent Supper	
	7:00 PM	Lent Service	
Thursday	9:00 AM	Ezra and Nehemiah	
Saturday	8:00 AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast	
Sunday	9:00 AM	Christian Education - Sunday School / The Revelation	
	10:30 AM	Divine Service	
		Valentine's Meal for Seniors hosted by Board of Youth	

TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS are provided by Vernetia (Tassus) Evans in rememberance of Max's birthday on the 22nd.

PPC MEETING will be held after worship *today*, Sunday **February 18th**. This meeting is for officers and heads of boards. Please make every effort to attend so we can properly plan for the **Voter's Meeting on March 10th**.

THE VALENTINE'S MEAL FOR SENIORS hosted by the Board of Young People has been resceduled for February 25th.

FREE WOMEN'S CENTER diaper drive is happening now through March 17th. The sizes needed most are 4, 5, 6 and sizes 2 & 3 in Pull Ups. Please see Suzanne Vaughan if you have any questions.

MISSOURI DISTRICT NEWS: Are you ready to SHINE!, Missouri District? Registration is now open for our annual servant event, this April 12-21, 2024. Groups of all sizes and skillsets are encouraged to live out Matthew 5:16 by showing the love of Christ to their neighbors through service during this timeframe. As is our tradition, participants will be outfitted in matching t-shirts...and in 2024 these shirts will be red. Head to mo.lcms.org/shine to learn more about SHINE! and place your shirt order. Please note: the deadline for ordering is Tuesday, March 12 (or for as long as supplies last).

Requesting Prayers

Pray for Our Servicemen and Missionaries we support

†Devin Houser †Franklin LaLonde †Chris MacMurray †Jacob Gan †Anthony Isaac †Nathaniel & Emma Jensen (Kaiserslauten)†

†Michael Parris (China) †Rev. Dr. David Preus & family (Romania)

Current Events

†Pray that we and the nations put away false gods, but know, trust, love, and follow Jesus †Natural disasters recovery †Prayers for Peace and Justice †Prayer for Nation's Leaders and illness; prayer for the Lord to do His will through local, state, and national elections

†Health Workers †Educators & Students †All new military visitors and

families

Thanksgivings †Samantha †Shelby

†Free Women's Center
Immediate Needs
†Kenneth Drees
†Marcia Euren
†Peggy Gregor

†Dawn Kubinski †Tim Matthews †JD Mattison †Ingrid Ozee

†Judy Keeth

†Donna Jo Stillwell †Richard Teague

†Roberta Thornsberry †Jami Turner

†Chaya Velasquez †Daye Wainio †Sharon Wilson †Timothy Wolf

Long Term Needs

†Kristine †Sheri

†Ann Marie Boerner (Capps)

†The Boettger Family †Barb BonGiovanni

†Dan Boorom †Ray Crosby

†Madison Ford †Duane Green †Finnigan Heine

†Mary Jones
†Liz Joyce
†Marge Kohl
†Irene Leitgeb
†Marie Matthews
†Ken Merrill
†Sydney Merrill
†Jenny Miessler

†Marion Munson †Judy Neff

†Lili Osorio †Dwayne Richard

†Susan Rostad †Helen Rostad †Melvin Rust

†Pastor Ben Schumacher †Ben Paul Schumacher

†Mary Smith †Becky Vogel †Ron Weaver †Jerome Welliver †Lisa Weinhold

Comfort Facing Death

†The Family of Dorothy

Alexander

†The Family of Dex Boorom