

Faith Lutheran Church

We warmly greet members and visitors in Jesus' name

Midweek Worship

12 p.m., March 12, 2024



The Ten Commandments

As our Lenten journey continues, we hear in Exodus that God gives Moses the Law so that the people of Israel would know how to fulfill their part of God's covenant as God's people. We stand in reverent awe, and we give thanks for God's love.

- Noted throughout the service P: Presiding Minister L: Lector C: Congregation
- Faith has a T-Coil-enabled hearing loop for those whose hearing aid(s) also are enabled.
- Smile! Faith worship services are live-streamed and recorded.

WELCOME

WE STAND

OPENING DIALOGUE

P: We begin in the name of the Lord, whom we are to fear and love.

C: Fear God? Are we to be afraid of our Creator?

P: Not afraid, but filled with reverent awe.

C: How shall we do this?

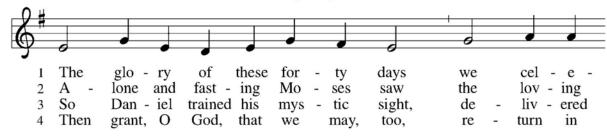
P: By trusting God above all things, and calling upon God's name.

C: In every time of need, in prayer, praise and thanks.

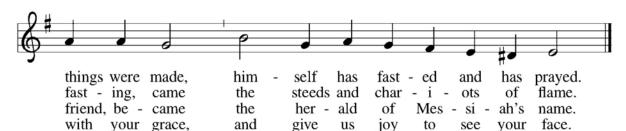
P: And because we fear and love God, we love and respect all God's creation.

C: People and animals, plants and water, mountains and deserts.

GATHERING HYMN The Glory of These Forty Days We sing together ELW 320







Text: Latin hymn, 11th cent.; tr. Maurice F. Bell, 1862–1947, alt. Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

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GREETING

P: God who created all, who bore the cross and who dwells in us, be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. God of the covenant, in the mystery of the cross you promise everlasting life to the world. Gather all peoples into your arms, and shelter us with your mercy, that we may rejoice in the life we share in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

WE SIT

THE READING: Exodus 34:1-9, 27-28

L: A Reading from Exodus.

¹The LORD said to Moses, "Cut two tablets of stone like the former ones, and I will write on the tablets the words that were on the former tablets, which you broke. ²Be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning to Mount Sinai and present yourself there to me, on the top of the mountain. 3No one shall come up with you, and do not let anyone be seen throughout all the mountain; and do not let flocks or herds graze in front of that mountain." 4So Moses cut two tablets of stone like the former ones; and he rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tablets of stone. 5The LORD descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name, "The LORD." 6The LORD passed before him, and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, 7keeping steadfast love for the thousandth generation, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, yet by no means clearing the guilty, but visiting the iniquity of the parents upon the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation." 8And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth, and worshiped. 9He said, "If now I have found favor in your sight, O LORD, I pray, let the LORD go with us. Although this is a stiff-necked people, pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for your inheritance." ²⁷The LORD said to Moses: Write these words; in accordance with these words I have made a covenant with you and with Israel. ²⁸He was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights; he neither ate bread nor drank water. And he wrote on the tablets the words of the covenant, the ten commandments.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

C: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

The Ten Commandments, Luther's Small Catechism Rev. Eric Olaf Olsen

WE STAND

HYMN

If You But Trust in God to Guide You We sing together ELW 320



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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Let us make confession to God.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father: I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to you all my sins and iniquities with which I have offended you and for which I justly deserve your punishment.
But I am sorry for them, and repent of them, and pray for your boundless mercy.
For the sake of the suffering and death of your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being; forgive my sins, give me your Holy Spirit for the amendment of my sinful life, and bring me to life everlasting.
Amen.

P: Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. Through his Holy Spirit, he cleanses us and gives us power to proclaim the mighty deeds of God who called us out of darkness into the splendor of his light. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

WE SIT

You may come forward to the altar for the laying on of hands and absolution. The pastor will say, "In obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins."

LUTHER'S BLESSING

P: I give thanks to you, heavenly Father,

C: through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have graciously protected me today. I ask you to forgive me all my sins, where I have done wrong, and graciously to protect me tonight. Into your hands I commend myself: my body, my soul, and all that is mine. Let your holy angel be with me, so that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

C: 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.

WE STAND

BLESSING

P: God the Father, + Son and Holy Spirit watch over us all.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Bless Now, O God, the Journey We sing together

ELW 326



- Bless now, O God, the jour - ney that all your peo - ple make,
- Bless so journ-ers and pil - grims who share this wind-ing way;
- Di vine e ter nal lov - er, you meet us road.



the path through noise and si - lence, the way of give and take. hope burns through the ter - rors, your love sus-tains the day. We lands of prom - ise where milk and hon-ey flow,



The trail is found in des - ert and winds the moun-tain round. We yearn for ho - ly free - dom while of ten we are bound; but wait-ing not for plac - es, you all meet us



leads be-side still road where faith is found. then wa - ters, the road where faith is geth-er we are seek - ing the found. cov - e - nant is writ ten roads, as faith is found.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955-1993

Music: LLANGLOFFAN, Welsh tune, 19th cent.

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DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, led by the cross of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

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Please join us for lunch in fellowship hall.

Our Journey Through Lent to Easter Continues

Lenten Wednesdays: March 19 and 26, and April 2 and 9

Noon Midweek Lenten Worship followed by a common meal,

sanctuary/fellowship hall

Palm Sunday, April 13

8 a.m. Celebration Worship with Holy Communion, sanctuary

10:15 a.m. Celebration Worship with Holy Communion and choir,

sanctuary

5 p.m. Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion, sanctuary

Maundy Thursday, April 17

7 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion, sanctuary

Good Friday, April 18

7 a.m. Multi-Denominational Stations of the Cross, park at Church of the

Redeemer, 222 S. Palm Ave.; take a free trolley to the starting location

2 p.m. Stations of the Cross, sanctuary

7 p.m. Tenebrae Worship, sanctuary

Holy Saturday, April 19

7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Part One, parking lot

Easter Sunday, April 20

7 a.m. Easter Vigil Part Two, Memorial Garden

9 a.m. Easter Breakfast and Egg Hunt, fellowship hall and playground

10:15 a.m. Easter Celebration Worship with Holy Communion and choir,

sanctuary

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