

Our "Thanks!" to those who serve today:

Pastor: Rev. Diane Krumm **Accompanist:** Amy Anderson
Greeter: Bentley Wieser **Ushers:** Kevin & Elsa Kamphuis
Scripture Reader: Kathy Hoefs **Acolyte:** Ryder Compson-Lorenz

In Our Thoughts/Prayers: Annitha Plecity (knee replacement), Marleen Pytlik (heart issues), Gayle Hoff, Chad Henningsgard, Karen Magnuson, Carol Bucher (Linda Westby's sis), Don Clark (Kathy Brobst-Clark's husband), Nicole Wieser; Missionaries; Peace

"Trinity Family" to pray for this week: Randy & Edie Johnson (Linda), Dawn Jongeward, Sandy Jongeward

This Week @ TLC:

Today, March 15th: **Fourth Sunday in Lent**

9 a.m. Sunday School

10 a.m. Worship/Holy Communion

11 a.m. Coffee fellowship (*Thanks for hosting, Dewey & Darci!*)

6-8 p.m. Volunteers needed @ OSLC to set up for Community Closet

Mon., March 16th: **5-7 p.m.** Community Closet @ OSLC: free clothing for all sizes and some household goods available for those in need.

Tues., March 17th/St. Patrick's Day: **10:30 a.m.** Bible study @ TLC

12 p.m. WELCA **5 p.m.** Altar Guild

Wed., March 18th: **9 a.m.** Quilters **3:15 p.m.** Kids Club @ Faith (gr. 4-6)

3:30—4:45 p.m. First Communion class @ TLC

5:15 p.m.—6:15 p.m. Lenten Supper

6:30 p.m. Lent Service

(Pr. Bryce Blank from Epworth Methodist Church: *Longing for Mystery*)

8 p.m. Sr. High Youth @ OSLC

Next Sun., March 22nd: **Fifth Sunday in Lent**

No Sunday School

10 a.m. Worship

11 a.m. Coffee fellowship (*WELCA hosting*)

Endowment meeting

9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. French Toast Brunch fundraiser @ Faith (to go containers available; proceeds to go to Faith Lutheran General fund)

2 p.m. Chapel @ Legacy Place

3 p.m. Chapel @ St. Raphael



GATHERING TO WORSHIP

March 15, 2026 - 10 a.m.

Fourth Sunday in Lent



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Church in America**

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Welcome to you who are visitors among us; please sign our guest book, take a “Welcome” bag home, and do come worship with us again. *To those of you looking for a church home, we invite you to join this community of faith, as we seek to grow and serve in God’s grace and love.*

***: Please stand, in body or spirit.**

Large print bulletins are available at the back table.

“Busy Bags” for small children’s use during Worship on back hand rail.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

***Confession & Forgiveness**

L: Gracious God,

C: We confess that we easily seek worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you. We desire self-reliance instead of hungering for your word. We fail to recognize your coming reign and hinder the work of the Spirit. We draw from the well of self-serving ambition and disdain the living water Christ offers. We disregard voices from the margin and distrust signs of your healing and hope in the world. We dwell in tombs of self-pity and discontent, and we disregard Christ’s call to come forth to life. Gracious God, have mercy on us according to your steadfast love. Amen.

L: God’s steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound... and gives you life and peace.

C: Amen.

***Gathering Hymn:** “Dearest Jesus, at Your Word” #520 ELW

***Apostolic Greeting (C: And also with you.)** p. 203 ELW

***Kyrie**

***Canticle of Praise:** “Glory Be To God” p. 204 ELW

***Prayer of the Day:**

God who brings us together, our families are complicated by harsh words, failure to recognize one another, and fear of loss. Free us from blame, self-centeredness, and anxiety. Bring us to wholeness in your love – where all are seen, cared for, and forgiven. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Hymn of the Month: “Bring Peace to Earth Again” #700 ELW

WORD

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Responsive Psalm Reading: Psalm 23

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

***Gospel Acclamation:** “We are turning...” p. 205 ELW

***Gospel Reading:** John 9:4-5

***Responses: “Glory to you, O LORD”/“Praise to you, O Christ.”**

Sermon: “Bound by Family” (Genesis 41 & 42)

Hymn of the Day: “All are Welcome” #641 ELW

***Apostles’ Creed** p. 105 ELW

Prayer Song: “Come, Bring Your Burden to God” Text by Barbara Clark

Come, bring your burdens to God; come, bring your burdens to God;

Come, bring your burdens to God, for Jesus will never say no. (Sing 2x)

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Prayers of Intercession: (P: Hear us, O God; C: Your mercy is great.)

MEAL

Our Tithes/Offerings to God

***Offertory Hymn:** “Create in Me a Clean Heart” #188 ELW

***Offertory Prayer**

***Great Thanksgiving** p. 206-207 ELW

***Lord’s Prayer**

Holy Communion/Kneel or stand at Communion rail



All are welcome to join us in celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion, believing the Risen Christ is present with us in the bread and wine, assuring us of GOD’s love and forgiveness. Please receive the bread in your hand and place your empty cup in the side basket. Gluten-free bread and juice are available. To be served in your pew, please raise your hand after pianist is served.

***Post-Communion Prayer**

SENDING

***Blessing (C: Amen!)**

***Sending Hymn:** “Be Thou My Vision” #793 ELW

***P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!**

Postlude