



**Sunday, March 6, 2022**

***First Sunday in Lent***

Serving us in worship today: Sermon: Andrew Cave;  
Lay Reader: Lisa Owen; Music: Annette Stout; Children's Church: Laline Jensen;  
Ushers: Tim Bogisch, Mike Burris, Albert Menn, John Taddy;  
AV: Andrew Kuehne

### **Welcome to Worship!**

Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church, a people who love and follow Jesus Christ, our Lord! We are blessed and honored that you chose to be with us today!

As we worship today, we encourage you to fellowship with other believers in a manner in which you are comfortable. Children will come forward for a special blessing before meeting for Children's Church.  
(Ages Pre-K through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade)

### **Visitor / Prayer Cards**

We invite guests to fill out a visitor card found in the back of the pew in front of you. The back of the visitor card also has a place for prayer requests for anyone needing special prayer. Please place cards in the box located on the Welcome Table in the Narthex. First time visitors, be sure to pick up a red welcome bag in the narthex.

### **WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND OPENING PRAYER**

*Please Stand*

**OPENING HYMN:** *"A Mighty Fortress"* LBW 229

- 1) A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious;  
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious.  
The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe!  
With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight.  
On earth he has no equal.
- 2) No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected.  
But now a champion comes to fight, whom God himself elected.  
You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!  
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored.  
He holds the field victorious.

3) Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat'ning to devour us,  
we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot overpow'r us.

Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage!

His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail!

One little word subdues him.

4) God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it;  
for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit.

Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse,  
though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day.

The kingdom's ours forever!

### **BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:**

*The sign of the cross may be made in remembrance of your Baptism.*

**P:** In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

**P:** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C:** Amen.

**P:** *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1: 8-9, ESV)*

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

**P:** Most Merciful God,

**C:** We confess that 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.

**P:** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all of our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

**HYMN OF PRAISE:** *"All Creatures of Our God and King"* LBW 527 Verse 7

**P:** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

♪ Let all things their Creator bless, ♪  
And worship God in humbleness,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Oh, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One.

*Refrain*

Oh, praise Him! Oh, praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*You may be seated.*

**FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 26:1-11** (ESV)

"When you come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, <sup>2</sup>you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the LORD your God will choose, to make his name to dwell there. <sup>3</sup>And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, 'I declare today to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our fathers to give us.' <sup>4</sup>Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the LORD your God.

<sup>5</sup>"And you shall make response before the LORD your God, 'A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. <sup>6</sup>And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. <sup>7</sup>Then we cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. <sup>9</sup>And he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. <sup>10</sup>And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O LORD, have given me.' And you shall set it down before the LORD your God and worship before the LORD your God. <sup>11</sup>And you shall rejoice in all the good that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you.

**PSALM 91:1-13** *(To be read responsively) (ESV)*

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

<sup>2</sup>I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress,  
my God, in whom I trust."

<sup>3</sup>For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler  
and from the deadly pestilence.

<sup>4</sup>He will cover you with his pinions,  
and under his wings you will find refuge;  
his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.

<sup>5</sup>You will not fear the terror of the night,  
nor the arrow that flies by day,

<sup>6</sup>nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness,  
nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.

<sup>7</sup>A thousand may fall at your side,  
ten thousand at your right hand,  
but it will not come near you.

<sup>8</sup>You will only look with your eyes  
and see the recompense of the wicked.

<sup>9</sup>Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—  
the Most High, who is my refuge—

<sup>10</sup>no evil shall be allowed to befall you,  
no plague come near your tent.

<sup>11</sup>For he will command his angels concerning you  
to guard you in all your ways.

<sup>12</sup>On their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you strike your foot against a stone.

<sup>13</sup>You will tread on the lion and the adder;  
the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

**SECOND READING:** Romans 10:8-13 *(ESV)*

<sup>8</sup>But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup>because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew

and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

*Please stand for the Holy Gospel.*

**GOSPEL: Luke 4:1-13 (ESV)**

And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness <sup>2</sup>for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup>The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." <sup>4</sup>And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'" <sup>5</sup>And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, <sup>6</sup>and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. <sup>7</sup>If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." <sup>8</sup>And Jesus answered him, "It is written, "You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve."

<sup>9</sup>And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, <sup>10</sup>for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,' <sup>11</sup>and

"On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone."

<sup>12</sup>And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" <sup>13</sup>And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

A: The gospel of our Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*You may be seated.*

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

### MESSAGE

Andrew Cave

**HYMN OF THE DAY: "On Eagle's Wings" WOVS 779**

1. You who dwell in the  
shelter of the Lord,  
who abide in this shadow for life,  
say to the Lord: "My refuge,

my rock in whom I trust! "

*Refrain*

And I will raise you up  
on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of my hand

2. Snares of the fowler will  
never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear;  
under God's wings your refuge,  
with faithfulness your shield. *Refrain*

3. For to the angels  
God's given a command  
to guard you in all of your ways;  
upon their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone. *Refrain*

## OFFERING

*(The offering plate will be passed down each pew with the help of our ushers.)*

**OFFERTORY:** *"Let the Vineyards be fruitful"* pg. 66 LBW

*Please stand as the offertory begins.*

**C:**     ♪ Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come. ♪

**P:**     Let us pray. Most merciful God,

**C:**     We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us: ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## 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 the 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, died, 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 the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall 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.*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION and THE LORD'S PRAYER

### CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*If you feel comfortable, you are invited to come to the altar rail for Holy Communion. Our ushers will direct you. Please bring your communion kit with you. If you would prefer to remain in your seats, you are welcome to celebrate Holy Communion in place.*

**COMMUNION HYMNS:**      **"Let Us Break Bread Together"**    LBW 212

**"One Bread, One Body"**    WOV 710

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

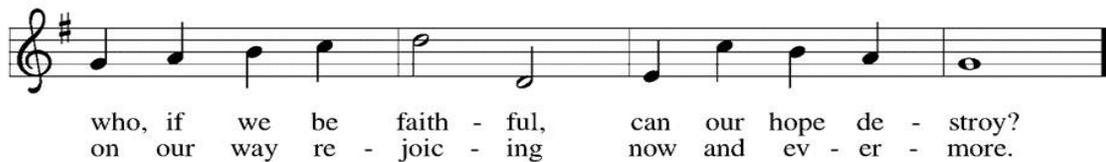
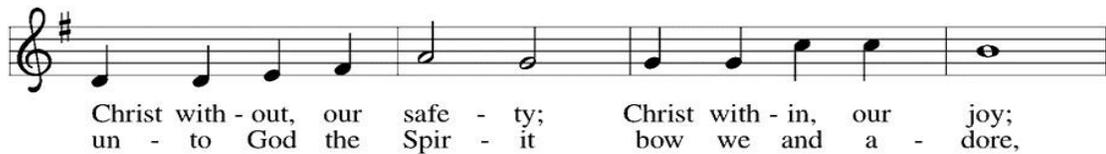
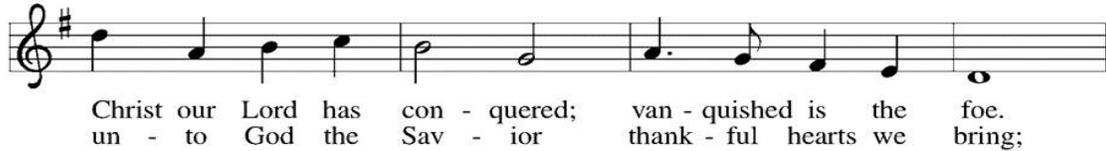
C: We give you thanks almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

*Please stand.*

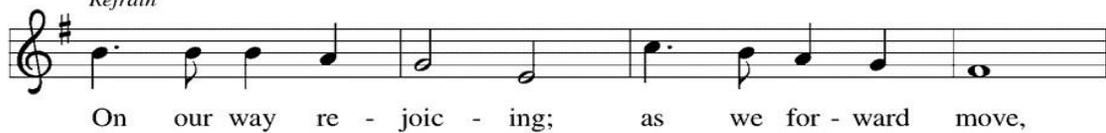
**CLOSING HYMN:**    **"On Our Way Rejoicing"**    LBW 260

*(Please see next page.)*

## On Our Way Rejoicing



*Refrain*



## BENEDICTION DISMISSAL

A: Go In Peace To Love And Serve The Lord!      C: Thanks be to God!

### SUNDAY MORNINGS AT FAITH

Worship Service – 9:00 AM

*Fellowship on Patio following worship*

Sunday School – 10:15-11:15 AM

- Pre K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade in Educational Wing
  - Adult Sunday School \* Old Testament Class in Activity Center \* New Testament class in Sanctuary
  - Lifebridge (Young Adult) meets in the Life Enrichment Center.
- Confirmation Class – 10:15 -11:15 AM in the small kitchen

## **"WORDS OF FAITH" BROADCAST SUNDAYS AT 8 AM ON KWED 1580 AM RADIO**

Has been sponsored to the glory of God today by John and Pat Dikes in memory of their parents.

## **FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR**

Have been given the glory of God by Lydia Whitwell in celebration of her granddaughter Taylor's birthday.

## **WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS:**

Attendance on February 27 was 122; Month to Date (February): **\$31,303.00**; YTD Offerings and Misc. **\$64,127.00** (2022 budgeted offerings is **\$488,775.00**)

## **WORKERS FOR NEXT WEEK**

**Sunday, March 13:** Ushers: Kerry Koehler, Andrew Koenig, John Kuempel, and Matt Sherwood; Lay Reader: Bryan Terp; Greeters: Rose Mary Ermel, Gail Herbold; AV: Andrew Kuehne, Tim Bogisch; Count: Pat Sagebiel and John Taddy; Lock Up: Cathy Wensinger.

## **PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:**

Julie Sagebiel	Judy Saunders	Nora Lavelett
Carolyn Sagebiel	Walt Fruehling	Ronnie Glenewinkel
Kelton Lange	Gladys Fruehling	Dot Day
Sandy Wille	Correen Dube	Teresa Kiel
Donald Jackson	Harold Bogisch	Carolyn Westerholm
Brad Flippin		

## **EASTER CROSS WITNESS**

The Evangelism/Mission Teams will be handing out white yard crosses for the Easter season **TODAY**. (One per household) The crosses would identify a household that desires to witness to the most significant event in history, the resurrection of Jesus Christ! Join us!

## **THANK YOU from ANNETTE**

To the unknown "Angel" – A very special and heartfelt THANK YOU for the two beautiful, secretive, surprise floral arrangements placed on the altar on Sunday, January 23 for my 50 amazing years at Faith! Much love and blessing to you, Annette.

## **DONATIONS NEEDED FOR PERSONAL CARE KITS**

Love Circle is preparing Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief. If you would like to donate to this worthy cause, please contact Nancy Wieding or Rose Mary Ermel. All items are being purchased in bulk online. Thank you, in advance, for your help!

## **TIME AND TALENT / PLEDGE CARDS**

Pledge cards and Time and Talent sheets can still be turned in to the church office. (You may place pledge cards directly on the altar if you prefer.) Please fill out TT sheets and return them, indicating areas in our church ministry in which you would be willing to serve.

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CONFIRMATION**

Our confirmation class and their teachers are looking for **volunteers to organize the annual banquet**. Confirmation is slated for Sunday, April 24, with the banquet held the Saturday night before. (April 23) The tradition has been for first year students and family to host the

banquet, but there are no first year students this year! Please consider being on this team to help celebrate our confirmation students. See Andrew Cave if interested.

### **THIS WEEK AT FAITH**

Sunday, March 6	JAM	11:30 -1:30 (LEC)
Tuesday, March 8	Staff Mtg.	10:00 AM
Tuesday, March 8	Hand Bell Choir	6:15 PM
Tuesday, March 8	Council Meeting	6:30 PM
Wednesday, March 9	Men's Bible Study	7:30 AM (Pastor office)
Wednesday, March 9	Quilters	9:00 AM (AC)
Wednesday, March 9	Prayer Group	10:15 AM
Wednesday, March 9	Lenten Meal (Soup)	6:-6:45 PM (LEC)
Wednesday, March 9	Joyful Noise	5:45 -6:15
Wednesday, March 9	Chancel Singers	6:15-6:50
Wednesday, March 9	FLY	6-8:00 PM
Wednesday, March 9	Lenten Service	7:00 -7:35 PM
Thursday, March 10	Food Bank Distribution Training	3:00 PM (AC)
Thursday, March 10	Call Committee	6:00 PM

#### **PRESCHOOL BUTTER BRAID BREAD SALE**

Our preschool is holding a spring fundraiser from March 7-25. Get your delicious frozen Butter Braid Breads and cookie dough today! A table is set up in the narthex for anyone wishing to purchase these wonderful products! (Great for those last minute Easter guests or for a fast breakfast on a busy morning! All donations will be used to repair and repaint the walls in the preschool and other upkeep around the campus! Thank you in advance!

#### **PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION**

Registration for the fall 2022-2023 school year is open. We currently have openings in the full-time 2 year old class and the Mothers Morning Out class. Your deposit of \$200 will secure a place for your child. Contact Lisa Owen at 379-7074.

#### **COMMUNION and ALTAR GUILD**

The Altar Guild and Worship committee are in need of more volunteers to assist with communion preparation, clean up and during worship. Please contact Susan Foerster at 830-305-2035 if you are able help.

#### **THANK YOU FROM WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

The worship committee would like to recognize and give thanks, although very belated, to the Lifebridge group and other congregation members for their help with decorating during the Christmas season. We are grateful, as well, for the group's donation of the new Christmas tree for the narthex. It takes a village!

## **VBS SAVE THE DATE**

Mark your calendars for June 27-July 1 for Vacation Bible School 2022! Go off-road for a **MONUMENTAL** adventure through the colorful canyons and sunbaked trails of the southwest. By exploring God's awesomeness, kids form a rock-solid faith for the road ahead. Registration and more information soon!

## **CHRISTIAN CUPBOARD**

Thank you to those of you who have been dropping off items for the Christian Cupboard. The March item is **meal helpers (i.e. Hamburger and Tuna Helpers)**, any variety or brand. Total number of items collected as of the week of Feb.28-March 1- 65. (Plus the 120 cans of soup for SOUPer Bowl Sunday!)

## **SAN ANTONIO FOOD BANK DISTRIBUTION**

Faith Lutheran Church and our Social Concerns committee will be hosting a food distribution on Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. We are in need of several volunteers for this ministry! We need about 25-40, but "special" volunteers would be the following:

1. 3-5 "heavy" lifters in case of heavy items coming off the food truck
2. 3-5 computer people to float along the cars to be certain they are in the SAFB computer. If not, to input them into the SAFB computer.

Please sign up on the list posted on the kiosk to volunteer. See Pat Sagebiel or Elaine Bennett for more information.

## **AV HELP**

The worship committee is looking for interested people to volunteer during worship and special services running the AV equipment. Don't worry, you will be trained... and it's not that hard! **WE NEED YOU!** See Roxanne or Andrew Kuehne if interested!

## **SAVE THE DATES**

- LENTEN SUPPER/SERVICE – Wed., March 9<sup>th</sup> 6-6:45 and 7:00 PM.
- FOOD BANK DISTRIBUTION – Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>
- PALM SUNDAY – Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>
- MAUNDAY THURSDAY – Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>
- GOOD FRIDAY – Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>
- EASTER SUNDAY – Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>
- CONFIRMATION BANQUET – Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>
- CONFIRMATION – Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>
- SENIOR RECOGNITION – Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>
- RETIREMENT CELEBRATION for Annette Stout – Sunday, May 22
- VBS – June 27<sup>th</sup> – July 1<sup>st</sup>
- FLY BEACH GATHERING – July 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>

## **LENTEN DINNERS ARE BACK!!**

Wednesday night Lenten dinners and fellowship are back! Different ministry groups are being asked to sponsor one dinner during the Lenten season. The informal meal is served from 6:00 – 6:45 before our Wednesday services. Below are the assignments and dates so far. Please volunteer your group for an open date! Call or come by the office to let us know!



- Wednesday, **March 9** – The **Chancel Singers and Hand Bell Choir** will serve soup!
- Wednesday, **March 16** – **AVAILABLE for your group!**
- Wednesday, **March 23** – **Faith Lutheran Youth (FLY)** will serve tamales and chili for us!
- Wednesday, **March 30** – **Charity Circle** will serve spaghetti!
- Wednesday, **April 6** – **AVAILABLE** for your group!

### **Lenten Worship Services**

**March 2—Ash Wednesday services at 12 & 7 PM**

*Jesus' Readiness to Suffer and Die*

**March 9— 7:00 PM**

*Jesus' Agony of Soul in Gethsemane*

**March 16— 7:00 PM**

*Betrayal, Denial and False Accusation*

**March 23—7:00 PM**

*Jesus before Pilate*

**March 30 - 7:00 PM**

*Jesus Condemned to Death*

**April 6—7:00 PM**

*Jesus' Death on the Cross*

**April 14—Maundy Thursday service 7:00 PM**

*(With Holy Communion)*

**April 15—Good Friday Service 7:00 PM**

*Jesus' Burial*

**April 17—Easter Sunday services at 7:00 & 9:00 AM**