



## PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

### *Psalm 22:23-31*

You who fear the Lord, praise Him! All you descendants of Jacob, glorify Him, And fear Him, all you offspring of Israel! 24 For He has not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; Nor has He hidden His face from Him; But when He cried to Him, He heard. 25 My praise shall be of You in the great assembly; I will pay My vows before those who fear Him. 26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied; Those who seek Him will praise the Lord. Let your heart live forever! 27 All the ends of the world Shall remember and turn to the Lord, And all the families of the nations Shall worship before You. 28 For the kingdom is the Lord's, And He rules over the nations. 29 All the prosperous of the earth Shall eat and worship; All those who go down to the dust Shall bow before Him, Even he who cannot keep himself alive. 30 A posterity shall serve Him. It will be recounted of the Lord to the next generation, 31 They will come and declare His righteousness to a people who will be born, That He has done this.

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

Speakers: Pastor Matthew Ude

Organists: Barry Hay & Ann Sprengeler

Services are streamed live to the  
TV in the kitchen (channel 4).

Hymn 421 — Come, Follow Me, The Savior Spake

### INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the  
Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C  A-men.

## CONFESSION OF SINS

P Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God the Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

All Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.

P God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C  A-men.

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ,  
have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to all people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

P Let us pray . . . O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forevermore.


C  A-men.

## THE WORD

*Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16* When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am Almighty God; walk before Me and be blameless. 2 And I will make My covenant between Me and you, and will multiply you exceedingly.” 3 Then Abram fell on his face, and God talked with him, saying: 4 “As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you, and you shall be a father of many nations. 5 No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you a father of many nations. 6 I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. 7 And I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you in their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and your descendants after you. 15 Then God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. 16 And I will bless her and also give you a son by her; then I will bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations; kings of peoples shall be from her.”

*Romans 5:1-11* Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. 3 And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; 4 and perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5 Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us. 6 For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. 10 For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. 11 And not only that, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

P Blessed are they who hear the Word  
of God and keep it!

C  Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written  
that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son  
of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## THE NICENE CREED

All 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-be-  
gotten 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 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.

Hymn 424 — My God, My Father, Make Me Strong


## SERMON

*Mark 8:27-38* Now Jesus and His disciples went out to the towns of Caesarea Philippi; and on the road He asked His disciples, saying to them, “Who do men say that I am?” 28 So they answered, “John the Baptist; but some say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.” 29 He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered and said to Him, “You are the Christ.” 30 Then He strictly warned

them that they should tell no one about Him. 31 And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. 32 He spoke this word openly. Then Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him. 33 But when He had turned around and looked at His disciples, He rebuked Peter, saying, “Get behind Me, Satan! For you are not mindful of the things of God, but the things of men.” 34 When He had called the people to Himself, with His disciples also, He said to them, “Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. 35 For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel’s will save it. 36 For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? 37 Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? 38 For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels.”

## **THY WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN**

God's will is accomplished not through power or with glory but through suffering. God's will is this that we are saved through Christ's death on the cross.

C  Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold me with Your free Spirit.

Hymn 400 — Take My Life and Let It Be

## OFFERING

### PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All 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.


P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up to the Lord


P It is right and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

C  Holy, holy holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, “Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always!


C  Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us You peace.

## THE DISTRIBUTION

### Hymn 151 – Christ the Life

We ask that only members of Faith Lutheran Church or the CLC come forward to receive the Lord’s Supper. Visitors are welcome to speak to the pastor after the service.

## THANKSGIVING

C  Thank the Lord; sing His praise; tell ev'ry one what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name. Thank the Lord; Sing His praise; tell ev'ry one what He has done. Send us with Your promises, Lord; lead Your people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Thank the Lord; sing His praise; tell ev'ry one what He has done. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## THE BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C  A-men A-men A-men.

Hymn 769 (MFH pg 90) — Lift High the Cross

## Calendar:

### THIS WEEK:

#### Sunday 2/25

9am Sunday Service  
10am Sunday School  
10:15am Bible Class  
2pm Bucks Game in Milwaukee

#### Tuesday 2/27

3:30pm Women of Faith  
5pm Basketball Practice

#### Wednesday 2/28

4pm Confirmation Class  
7pm Wednesday Lent Service

#### Thursday 2/29

10:30am Bible Class  
5pm Basketball Practice

#### Sunday 3/4

9am Sunday Service  
10am Sunday School  
10:15am Bible Class

### UPCOMING DATES:

March 6 - School Board Meeting at 7pm  
March 9-11 Eau Claire Basketball Tournament  
March 13 - Elders Meeting at 7pm/  
Church Council Meeting at 7:30pm  
March 20 - Women of Faith Meeting  
March 24 - Ronald McDonald Meal  
March 25 - Easter Caroling at 2pm

## ENVELOPE COMMITTEE

This Week:

Team #2: Russ Denson, Dan Dumke

Next Week:

Team #1: Dale Muehlenhaupt, Troy  
Cotterill

## FEBRUARY USHERS

Paul Eserhut, Russ Brown, Gary Quade,  
Archie Quade

## MARCH SUNDAYS &

## GOOD FRIDAY USHERS

John Bobek, Dan Thiem, Dale  
Muehlenhaupt, Russ Denson

## LENT WEDNESDAYS, MAUNDY THURS- DAY & EASTER EARLY SERVICE USHERS

Bob Kirst, Bob McElroy, Mark  
Brown-Kempenaar, Randy Haight

## FRUITS OF FAITH

Attendance: 114/32

Bible Class/Sunday School: 15/9

General Fund: \$3159

Missions Fund: \$695

School Fund: \$35

\$20 school fund in memory  
of Ronald Jahnke

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\$25 school fund in memory of Eric Brown

\$40 School fund in memory of  
Sharon Jahunke and Eldon Dallman

\$50 Stain Glass fund in memory  
of Virginia Laper

\$20 Stain Glass fund in memory  
of Janette Dillie



## **Announcements:**

### **GUEST AND VISITORS**

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please sign the guest register in the entry as you leave the church today.

### **WOMEN OF FAITH**

The Women of Faith meeting scheduled for Feb 20th was rescheduled due to bad weather. Women of Faith will now meet on February 27th at 3:30pm.

### **STAIN GLASS WINDOW**

The stain glass window committee met last night. They will meet again in April. The committee is asking anyone who has ideas or concerns to talk to Randy Strelow or another committee member before the April meeting or come to the April meeting. Talk now or forever hold your peace.

### **CLC YOUTH CAMP**

registration is coming up! You will be able to register online (the website will be up in the next month) on March 25 at 3:00pm CST. Camp this year will be held at Camp JIM in Pillager, MN. The cost will be \$175/camper and campers entering grades 6-12 are eligible. You can check out our Facebook page for more updates. Stay warm!

### **OUR MISSION HELPERS**

Adam and Lucas Brown have volunteered to be part of the upcoming CLC Mission Trip to central Africa. We certainly want to do our best to

support Adam, Lucas and the other Mission Helpers with encouragement and prayers. Adam will also need our financial support. The cost of the trip is approximately \$3,000 - \$3500. \$2000 of this is due before March 15th. If you like to help out there should be a basket in the back of church.

### **FROM NEIL BERNTHAL**

Dear Members of Faith Lutheran Church and School,

I have received the call extended to me to teach Christ's little lambs the saving gospel message at Faith Lutheran Lutheran School. I recognize this is a divine call through the Holy Spirit to carry out Christ's command to "go into all nations teaching them to observe all that I have commanded..." I pray for the Lord's direction and guidance as I try to determine where the Lord best wants me to serve Him. I ask for your prayers in this matter as I will also keep you in my prayers. The Lord's will be done.

Yours in Christ,

Neil Bernthal

### **FROM PASTOR KRAUSE AND FAMILY**

Dear Members of Faith,

Your kindness in reaching out to us with the beautiful pine lifted our hurting hearts. We are so blessed with the reassurance of Heaven as we search Scripture and that our fellow Christians share with us. Thank you for holding us up.

Nathaniel confirmed his baptismal

promise at Faith's altar. Thank you for allowing the Word to flow to him to strengthen him in his walk. May God bless all of you as you continue to grow in our Lord. In Christ, Pastor Paul and Collette Krause and family

## **PASTOR PICTURES**

Thank you to the Women of Faith for updating the Pastors' pictures and plaques in the hallway.

## **THE MIDWEST CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S RETREAT,**

sponsored by Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mankato, MN, will be held April 20-22, 2018, at the Riverport Inn & Suites, Winona, MN. This year's theme is: "That Your Joy may be Full!"

Registration is open 2/1/18 - 3/23/18. The retreat fee is \$75. All the hotel costs and reservation information, as well as retreat registration information can be found at [www.ladiesretreat.cclclutheran.net](http://www.ladiesretreat.cclclutheran.net).

## **EMAIL GROUP**

If you haven't been getting the email updates I've been sending out over the last week and a half and would like to simply email me with your name and email address, [pastor@markesanlutheran.com](mailto:pastor@markesanlutheran.com).

## **STREAMING SERVICES**

I'm going to try streaming our services live. They will be streamed on youtube.com. You can search on youtube for "faith lutheran markesan wi live" or you can click the "Live Video" link on our website.

## **BLACK HILLS FAMILY BIBLE CAMP**

Camping in the beauty of the Black Hills, studies in the beauty of God's Word. All ages are welcome, children will need to be accompanied by a chaperon or family. There will also be many outdoor activities such as hiking, swimming, caving, fishing, kayaking, bonfires, s'mores etc... The dates are Friday evening July 13th through Tuesday morning July 17th. If you interested there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Even if you aren't sure if you can make it you can still sign up as interested.

## **Call News**

Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI, has called Becky Buck to serve as a full-time teacher for grades 3-4, Valerie Hammett to serve as half-time teacher in the lower grades, and Jane Murch to serve as music teacher.

Pastor Caleb Schaller has returned the call to serve as pastor of Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac WI.

St. John's Lutheran, Okabena MN, has called Paul Tiefel III, Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI, to be principal and teacher at its school.

Grace Lutheran, Fridley MN, has called member Heidi Nelson to the position of lower grade teacher.





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