

# Faith Lutheran Church

“Man shall not live  
by bread alone,  
but by every word  
that comes from  
the mouth of God.”

*MATTHEW 4:4, ESV*



February 22, 2026  
Invocavit

# WELCOME

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

## TODAY'S SERVICE

Invocavit

February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

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# PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

## *Psalm 32:1-7*

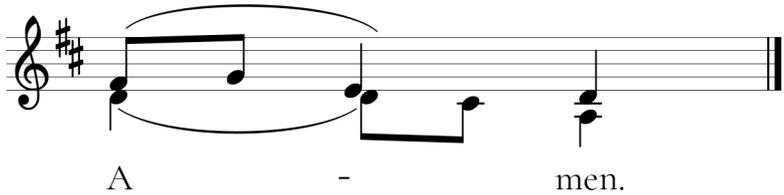
Blessed is *he whose* transgression is forgiven,  
*Whose sin is covered.* <sup>2</sup> Blessed is the man to  
whom the LORD does not impute iniquity,  
And in whose spirit *there is* no deceit. <sup>3</sup>  
When I kept silent, my bones grew old  
Through my groaning all the day long. <sup>4</sup> For  
day and night Your hand was heavy upon me;  
My vitality was turned into the drought of  
summer. Selah <sup>5</sup> I acknowledged my sin to  
You, And my iniquity I have not hidden. I  
said, "I will confess my transgressions to the  
LORD," And You forgave the iniquity of my  
sin. Selah <sup>6</sup> For this cause everyone who is  
godly shall pray to You In a time when You  
may be found; Surely in a flood of great wa-  
ters They shall not come near him. <sup>7</sup> *You are*  
my hiding place; You shall preserve me from  
trouble; You shall surround me with songs of  
deliverance.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## #155 Sweet the Moments, Rich in Blessing

### INVOCATION

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



### CONFESSION OF SINS

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





Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to all peo-ple on earth. Lord God,



heav-enly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther; We



wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we



praise You for Your glory. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take away the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. You are seated at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-

ceiveour prayer For You alone are the Ho-ly One,  
 You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High,  
 Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of  
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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 Yor 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.

A - men.

## THE WORD

**Genesis 3:1-21** Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?'" <sup>2</sup> And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; <sup>3</sup> "but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.'" <sup>4</sup> Then the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. <sup>5</sup> "For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup> So when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make *one* wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings. <sup>8</sup> And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God

among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup> Then the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, "Where *are* you?" <sup>10</sup> So he said, "I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup> And He said, "Who told you that you *were* naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?" <sup>12</sup> Then the man said, "The woman whom You gave *to be* with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup> And the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate." <sup>14</sup> So the LORD God said to the serpent: "Because you have done this, You *are* cursed more than all cattle, And more than every beast of the field; On your belly you shall go, And you shall eat dust All the days of your life. <sup>15</sup> And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel." <sup>16</sup> To the woman He said: "I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; In pain you shall bring forth children; Your desire *shall be* for your husband, And he shall rule over you." <sup>17</sup> Then to Adam He said, "Because you have heeded the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree of which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat of it': "Cursed is

the ground for your sake; In toil you shall eat *of* it All the days of your life. <sup>18</sup> Both thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you, And you shall eat the herb of the field. <sup>19</sup> In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread Till you return to the ground, For out of it you were taken; For dust you *are*, And to dust you shall return." <sup>20</sup> And Adam called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. <sup>21</sup> Also for Adam and his wife the LORD God made tunics of skin, and clothed them.

**Romans 5:12-19** <sup>12</sup> Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned-- <sup>13</sup> (For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law. <sup>14</sup> Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come. <sup>15</sup> But the free gift is not like the offense. For if by the one man's offense many died, much more the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abounded to many. <sup>16</sup> And the gift is not like *that which* came through the one who sinned. For the judgment *which* came from one *offense* resulted in con-

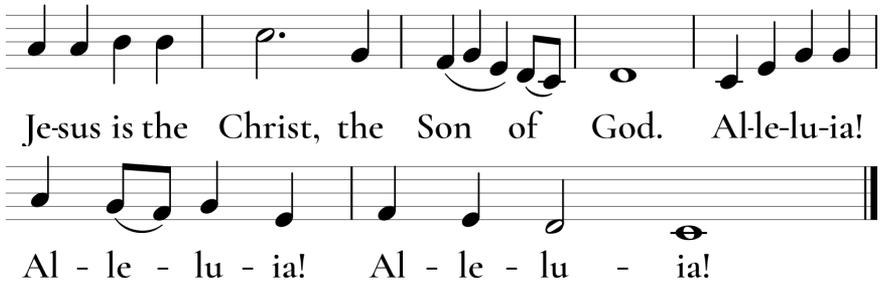
demnation, but the free gift *which came* from many offenses *resulted* in justification. <sup>17</sup> For if by the one man's offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.) <sup>18</sup> Therefore, as through one man's offense *judgment came* to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's righteous act *the free gift came* to all men, resulting in justification of life. <sup>19</sup> For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous.

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

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may believe that

The image shows two staves of musical notation. The first staff is in treble clef and contains the melody for the first line of the hymn. The second staff is in bass clef and contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.



## THE 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 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.

## #410 Jesus, Lead Thou On

### SERMON

**Matthew 4:1-11** Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup> And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry. <sup>3</sup> Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." <sup>4</sup> But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'" <sup>5</sup> Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup> and said to Him, "If You are the Son of

God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: 'He shall give His angels charge over you,' and, 'In *their* hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.'" <sup>7</sup> Jesus said to him, "It is written again, 'You shall not tempt the LORD your God.'" <sup>8</sup> Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. <sup>9</sup> And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." <sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve.'" <sup>11</sup> Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him.

## The Way of Life



## Offering Hymn #788:1

Lord, You love the cheerful giver who with open heart and hand, blesses freely, as a river that refreshes all the land. Grant us, then, the grace of giving with a spirit large and true that our life and all our living we may consecrate to You.

## 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.

# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

p The Lord be with you.



And al - so with you.

p Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up to the Lord.

p It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, 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 all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
 God of power and might, heav'n and earth are  
 full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-nain the highest, ho-  
 sanna in the highest. Blest is Hewho comes in the  
 name of the Lord. Ho - san-nain the highest ho-  
 san - na in the high - est.

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!

Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
sin of the world; have mercy up - on us. Lamb of  
God You take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy up - on

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Lamb of God'. It consists of four staves of music in a single system. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The melody is simple and repetitive, with a consistent rhythm. The lyrics are: 'Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mercy up - on us. Lamb of God You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy up - on'. The music is written in a style suitable for a church service or a simple choir.

us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace.

## THE DISTRIBUTION

We invite all those who have registered with the pastor before the service to come forward and receive with us the Lord's Supper. Prayers for before and after communion are available on page 118 of your hymnal.

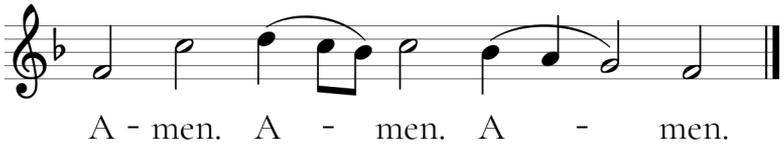
Distribution Hymn: 755

Thank the Lord; sing His praise;  
tell ev'ry-one what He has done. Let all who seek the

Lord re-joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.  
 Thank the Lord; sing His praise; tell ev'ry-one what  
 He has done. Send us with Your prom - is - es, Lord;  
 lead Your peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
 giv - ing. Thank the Lord; sing His praise;  
 tell ev - 'ry-one what He has done. Al - le -  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

# 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.



## #262 A Mighty Fortress is Our God



## **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22**

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

## **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24**

2 pm Bible Class

## **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25**

3:45 pm Catechism  
7 pm Lent Service

## **SUNDAY, MARCH 1**

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

## **FRUITS OF FAITH**

General Fund- \$ 3100  
Missions - \$ 110  
Building Fund - \$ 300  
Sunday Service – 100  
Sunday School – 13  
Bible Class- 15

## **USHERS FOR FEBRUARY**

Dan Thiem, Tim Gabrielski,  
Kaleb Reyes

## **USHERS FOR MARCH**

Russ Brown, Jim Brown,  
Clay Bobek, Jim Kok

## **COUNTER**

### **This Week Team # 3**

David Draeger, Wayne Draeger

### **Next Week Team # 4**

Dennis Jones, Preston Schmidt

## **CLC CONVENTION**

The CLC convention this year is June 25-28 in Eau Claire WI. The Great Lakes delegates conference is in Madison June 1-2. We are looking for two volunteers to go to both as delegates. If you are willing to be considered, please let Pastor or Jared Swyter know.

## **VBS**

We are looking for a volunteer to organize VBS this summer. If anyone is interested, please speak to Pastor or Clay Bobek.

## **BUILDING FUND**

The building fund currently has about \$10,000. We need \$20,000 to redo the church roof this summer. We also need another \$40,000 within the next few years to redo the school roof.

## BASKETBALL GAMES

3/7 Round Robin, more info soon

## GAME NIGHTS

March 27 – Bingo / Potluck

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Gen. 12:1-9

Psalms 121

Rom. 4:1-8, 13-17

John 3:1-17

## CALL NEWS

Dr. Daniel Sullivan has received the call from the CLC Call Committee for Educational Institutions to serve as a professor at Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary in Eau Claire, WI.

Dr. Daniel Schierenbeck has received the two-year call from the CLC Call Committee for Educational Institutions to serve as the President of Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary in Eau Claire, WI.

Teacher Katie Naumann of Immanuel Lutheran School, Winter Haven, FL, has received the call to Redeemer Lutheran School, Cheyenne, WY.

Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Rapid City,

SD, has returned the call to Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ.

Pastor Tom Naumann of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Madison Heights, MI, has received the call to Grace Lutheran Church, Fridley, MN.

Pastor Emeritus John Schierenbeck has accepted the vacancy call to Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church, Red Wing, MN.

Pastor Stefan Sonnenfeld of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sister Lakes, MI, has received the call to Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI.

Seminarian Sam Radermacher, in conjunction with his vicarship under Pastor Wayne Eichstadt of Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA, has accepted the summer vacancy call to Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA.

## RETIREMENT

Pastor Ted Barthels of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Austin, MN, has announced his retirement from the pastoral ministry as of April 30, 2026.

## MILK JUGS

I need gallon milk / water jugs, I need about 14 more, the ones with handles.

Please drop them off in the office.

Thank you,

Marsha







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