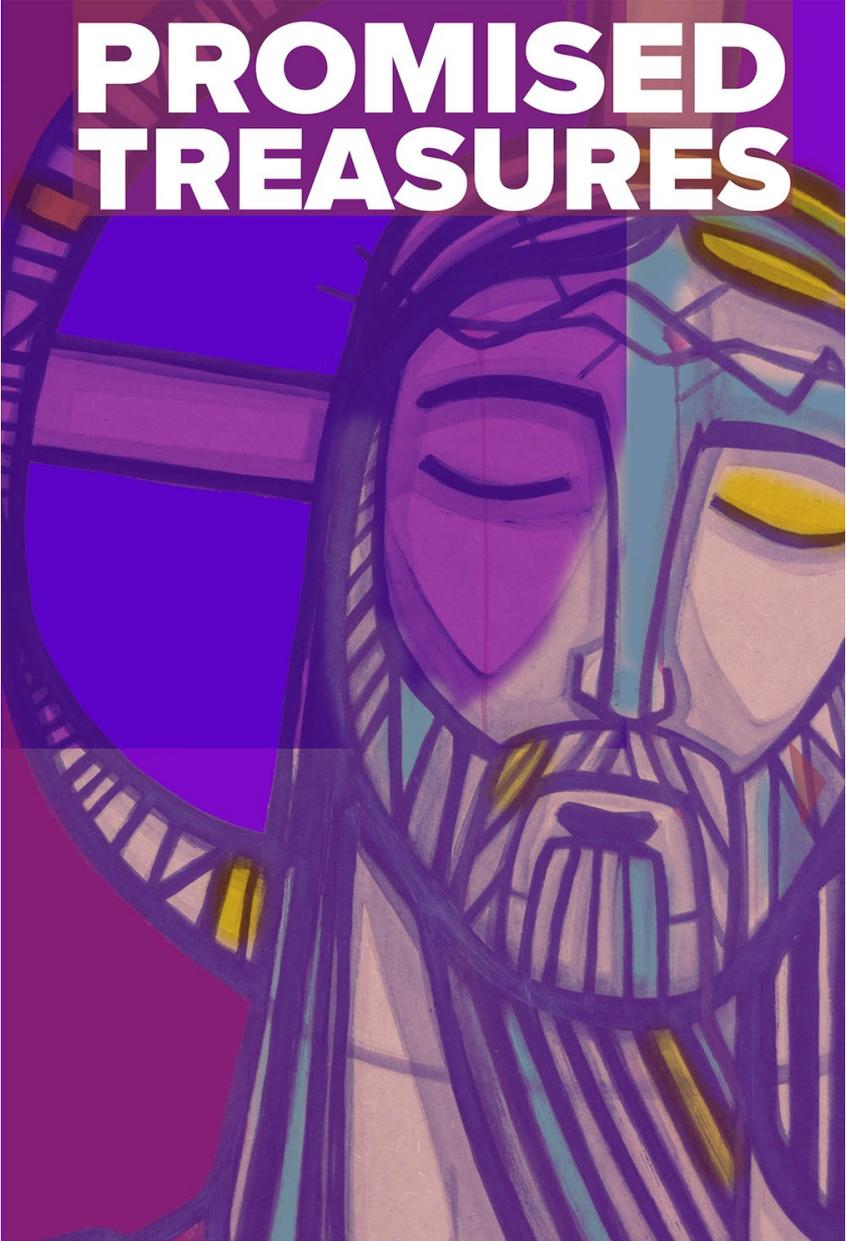


**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**PROMISED  
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**FEBRUARY 25, 2025**

# **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**

February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - Lent Service

**Pastor:** Matthew Ude

**Accompanist:** Dan Barthels

# PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

## *Psalm 107:1-9*

Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for *He is good!* For His mercy *endures* forever. <sup>2</sup> Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy, <sup>3</sup> And gathered out of the lands, From the east and from the west, From the north and from the south. <sup>4</sup> They wandered in the wilderness in a desolate way; They found no city to dwell in. <sup>5</sup> Hungry and thirsty, Their soul fainted in them. <sup>6</sup> Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, *And* He delivered them out of their distresses. <sup>7</sup> And He led them forth by the right way, That they might go to a city for a dwelling place. <sup>8</sup> Oh, that *men* would give thanks to the LORD *for* His goodness, *And for* His wonderful works to the children of men! <sup>9</sup> For He satisfies the longing soul, *And* fills the hungry soul with goodness.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## #175 When I Survey The Wonderous Cross

### INVOCATION

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

### OPENING SENTENCES

P O Lord, open my lips,

C and my mouth will declare Your praise.

P Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

C make haste to help me, O Lord.

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.

# PSALM

Psalm 107:28–36

P Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,

C **and He delivered them from their distress.**

P He made the storm be still,

C **and the waves of the sea were hushed.**

P Then they were glad that the waters were quiet,

C **and He brought them to their desired haven.**

P Let them thank the Lord for His steadfast love,

C **for His wondrous works to the children of men!**

P Let them extol Him in the congregation of the  
people,

C **and praise Him in the assembly of the elders.**

P He turns rivers into a desert, springs of water into  
thirsty ground,

C **a fruitful land into a salty waste, because of the evil  
of its inhabitants.**

P He turns a desert into pools of water, a parched

land into springs of water.

**C**    **And there He lets the hungry dwell, and they  
establish a city to live in.**

**p**    Let us pray . . . Lord Jesus Christ, You call Your people to be the salt of the earth, to sweeten and preserve this world even as You have sweetened our lives with Your forgiveness and have preserved us by Your Spirit. Renew our hearts and minds during this Lenten season as we receive the promised treasures of Your Word; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

## **THE SECOND PASSION READING**

**p**    Blessed are they who hear the word of God and keep it.

# THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

**#145 Jesus, Refuge of the Weary**

# SERMON

**Matthew 5:13-16** <sup>13</sup> "You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men. <sup>14</sup> "You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup> "Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all *who are* in the house. <sup>16</sup> "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

## SALT: THE GIFT THAT SWEETENS AND PRESERVES

**#53:1-3 Abide O Dearest Jesus**

## **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.

### **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. Amen

**#53:4-6 Abide O Dearest Jesus**







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