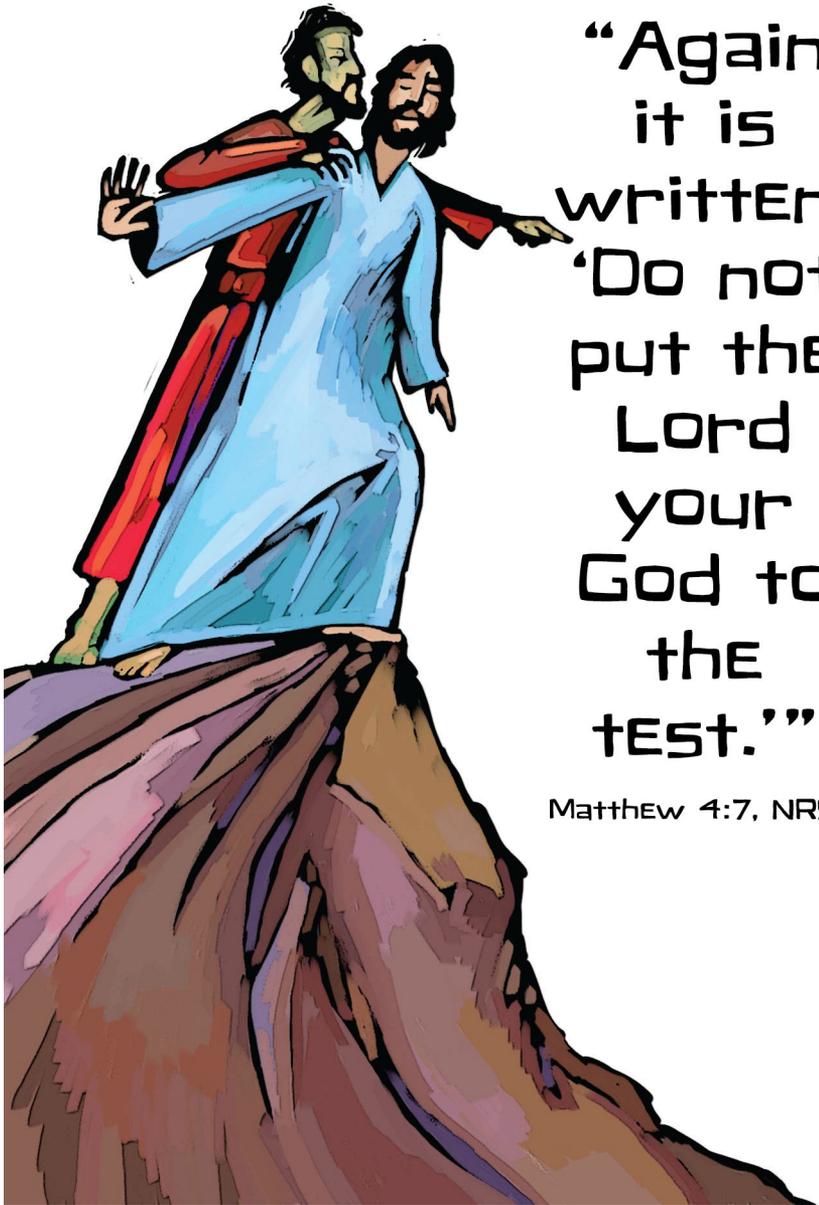


Faith Lutheran Church



“Again
it is
written,
‘Do not
put the
Lord
your
God to
the
test.’”

Matthew 4:7, NRSV

March 1, 2026

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

March 1st, 2026

Liturgy: Common Service

Speaker: Pastor Matthew Ude

Organist: Lila Brown

PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 121

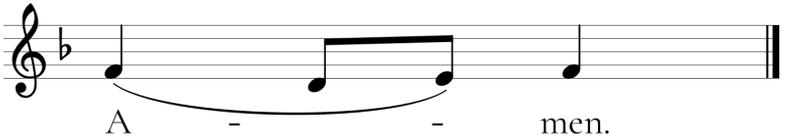
I will lift up my eyes to the hills-- From whence comes my help? ² My help comes from the LORD, Who made heaven and earth. ³ He will not allow your foot to be moved; He who keeps you will not slumber. ⁴ Behold, He who keeps Israel Shall neither slumber nor sleep. ⁵ The LORD is your keeper; The LORD is your shade at your right hand. ⁶ The sun shall not strike you by day, Nor the moon by night. ⁷ The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; He shall preserve your soul. ⁸ The LORD shall preserve your going out and your coming in From this time forth, and even forevermore.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#377:1-3 Salvation Unto Us Has come

INVOCATION

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

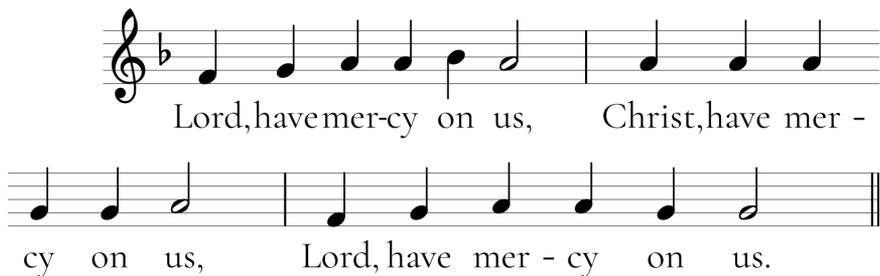


CONFESSION OF SINS

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.

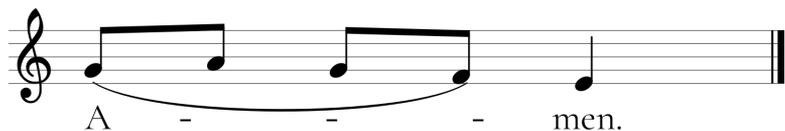
all Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my

thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. for this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



Lord, have mer-cy on us, Christ, have mer -
cy on us, Lord, have mer - cy on us.

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.



A - - - men.

p In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Glory be to God on high,
 and on earth peace, good will toward men,
 We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you,
 we glorify you, we give thanks to you, for your great glory
 O Lord God, heav'nly King God the Father al - mighty,
 O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.



You take away the sin of the world; re-cieve our prayer.



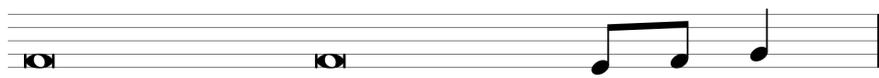
You sit at the right hand of God the Father;



have mercy on us, For you only are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord.



You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,



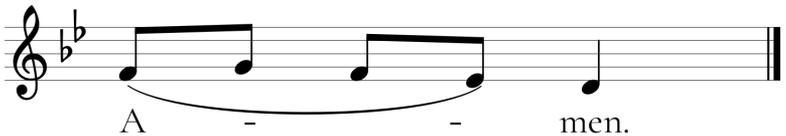
are most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

p The Lord be with you.



And al - so with you.

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, now and forever.



THE WORD

Genesis 12:1-9 Now the LORD had said to Abram: "Get out of your country, From your family And from your father's house, To a land that I will show you. ² I will make you a great nation; I will bless you And make your name great; And you shall be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." ⁴ So Abram departed as the LORD had spoken to him, and Lot went with him. And Abram *was* seventy-five years old

when he departed from Haran. ⁵ Then Abram took Sarai his wife and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people whom they had acquired in Haran, and they departed to go to the land of Canaan. So they came to the land of Canaan. ⁶ Abram passed through the land to the place of Shechem, as far as the terebinth tree of Moreh. And the Canaanites *were* then in the land. ⁷ Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your descendants I will give this land." And there he built an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. ⁸ And he moved from there to the mountain east of Bethel, and he pitched his tent *with* Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; there he built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD. ⁹ So Abram journeyed, going on still toward the South.

Romans 4:1-8,13-17 What then shall we say that Abraham our father has found according to the flesh? ² For if Abraham was justified by works, he has *something* to boast about, but not before God. ³ For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." ⁴ Now to him who works, the wages

are not counted as grace but as debt. ⁵ But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness, ⁶ just as David also describes the blessedness of the man to whom God imputes righteousness apart from works: ⁷ "Blessed *are those* whose lawless deeds are forgiven, And whose sins are covered; ⁸ Blessed *is the* man to whom the LORD shall not impute sin."

¹³ For the promise that he would be the heir of the world *was* not to Abraham or to his seed through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ For if those who are of the law *are* heirs, faith is made void and the promise made of no effect, ¹⁵ because the law brings about wrath; for where there is no law *there is* no transgression. ¹⁶

Therefore *it is* of faith that *it might be* according to grace, so that the promise might be sure to all the seed, not only to those who are of the law, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all ¹⁷ (as it is written, "I have made you a father of many nations ") in the presence of Him whom he believed-- God, who gives life to the dead and calls those things which do not exist as though they did;

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.

Children's Sermon

#784 Lord Take My Hand and Lead Me

SERMON

Matthew 4:1-11 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ² And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry. ³ Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." ⁴ 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.'" ⁵ Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ 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.'" ⁷ Jesus said to him, "It is written again, 'You shall not tempt the LORD your God.'" ⁸ Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹ And he said to

Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰ 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.'" ¹¹ Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him.

THE WAY OF FAITH



The image shows two staves of musical notation in a single system. The top staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody consists of quarter notes and half notes. The bottom staff continues the melody with similar note values. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and
 take not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re - store un-to
 me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up-
 hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men.

#245:1-3 God Loved the World so that He Gave

Offering Hymn #572:4

As the prospering hand hath blest, May we give Thee all
 our best. And by deeds of kindly love, for Thy mercies
 grateful prove, Singing thus through all our days, Praise to
 God, immortal praise.

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.



#245:4-6 God Loved the World so that He Gave

Sermon Worksheet - Matthew 4:1-11

Where does the second temptation of Jesus take place in Matthew 4:1-11?

What does the devil challenge Jesus to do while they are at the temple?

Why would jumping off the temple have seemed impressive or convincing to many people at that time?

What kind of Messiah were many people expecting?

How does Jesus respond to the devil's temptation, and what Scripture does He quote?

Why does doing the right thing often look like a bad idea?

Why does Jesus prefer to call Himself the “Son of Man” instead of the “Son of God”?

What important words does Satan leave out when he quotes Psalm 91, and why does that matter?

Why would jumping off the temple not have been an act of true faith?

In what ways does Jesus’ choice to suffer and serve help believers understand how they should live?

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 3

7 pm School Board

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

3:45 pm Catechism
7 pm Lent Service

SUNDAY, MARCH 8

9am Worship Service
10 am Sunday School
10:15 am Call Meeting

FRUITS OF FAITH

General Fund- \$ 6355
Missions - \$ 705
Building Fund - \$ 1300
Sunday Service - 77
Sunday School - 13
Bible Class- 14

USHERS FOR MARCH

Russ Brown, Jim Brown, Clay Bobek, Jim Kok

COUNTER

This Week Team # 4
Dennis Jones, Preston Schmidt
Next Week Team # 5
Keith Dickerson, Greg Suwanski

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

Begins on March 8, set your clocks forward one hour.

WOF

The next WOF meeting will be Monday, March 9th at 6:00pm. Marie will present God's Forgiving Hands.

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

Meeting after church on April 12.

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

Ex. 17:1-7

Psalm 95:1-9

Rom. 5:1-8

John 4:5-26

CALL NEWS

Teacher Noah Ohlmann of Grace Ev. Lutheran School, Valentine, NE, has received the call to teach grades 3-4 and serve as associate principal at Messiah Lutheran School, Eau Claire, WI.

Pastor Johnathan Schnose of Bethel Ev. Lutheran Church, Morris, MN, has received the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.

Pastor Tom Naumann of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Madison Heights, MI, has received the call to Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ.

Teacher Karen Swyter has resigned her call to Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI.

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 Debra Mayhew has accepted the full-time call to teach grades 1-2 at Immanuel Ev. Lutheran School, Mankato, MN.

Pastor Emeritus Paul Nolting has accepted a one-year part-time call to teach religion at Immanuel Ev. Lutheran School, Mankato, MN.

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

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

MILK JUGS

Thank you for all the jugs, I think I have enough
Marsha



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