



The Heart of the Savior



Is Filled With Compassion
March 29-30, 2025
Sunday Lenten Series

Jesus has reconciled us to the Father

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HOLY COMMUNION Our Lord shares with us His precious Body and Blood in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. We invite those who are baptized Christians who are able to examine themselves on the basis of these three points of the Christian Faith: † I believe that Jesus is my only Lord and Savior from all sin. † I believe that the true body and blood of Christ is present in the Sacrament. † I resolve, with the Holy Spirit's help to live for my Lord and witness through my actions that He is my Savior.

INDIVIDUAL CUPS IN THE CENTER RING OF EACH COMMUNION TRAY
HOLD ALCOHOL-FREE WINE

Holy Communion Worship Divine Service Three p. 184ff.

BLESSING AND DEDICATION OF PRAYER GARDEN

OPENING HYMN

What Wonderous Love is This

#543

(please stand)

INVOCATION AND CONFESSION OF SINS

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

C: Amen.

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

P: *Our help is in the name of the Lord, †*

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: *I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,*

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sins.

P: *O almighty God, merciful Father,*

C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

P: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;

C: according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

P: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,

C: and cleanse me from my sin!

P: For I know my transgressions,

C: and my sin is ever before me.

P: Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight,

C: so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

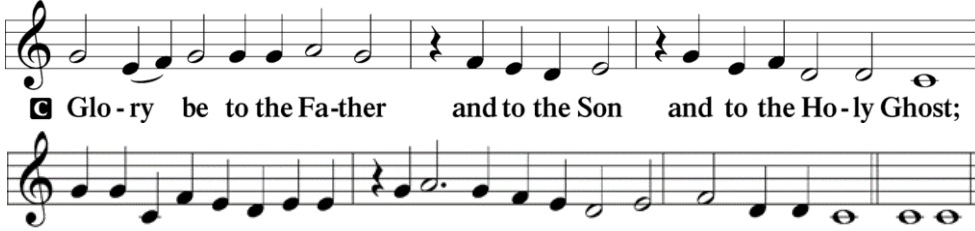
P: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,

C: and in sin did my mother conceive me.

P: Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,
C: and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

P: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
C: according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

GLORIA PATRI



☐ Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

KYRIE



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

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The LORD be with you.



☐ And with thy spir - it.

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may

heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



(please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 12:1–6

You will say in that day: "I will give thanks to you, O LORD, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, that you might comfort me. "Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation." With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted. "Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 5:16–21

From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

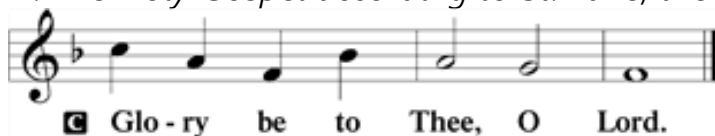
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HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 15:1–3, 11–32

P: *The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.*



Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear [Jesus]. And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable:

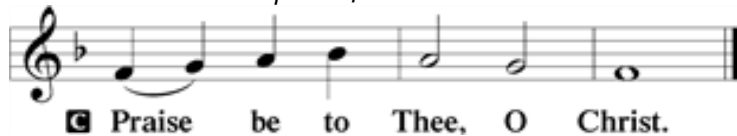
And he said, "There was a man who had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

"But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired

servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.'" And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate.

"Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.' But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, 'Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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 the Son together is worshipped 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)

HYMN OF PRAISE

Trust & Obey (Insert)

SERMON

The Heart of the Savior: Is Filled With Compassion

GATHERING OF THE OFFERINGS

LET THE VINEYARDS

(please rise and sing).

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing, Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

P: The Lord be with you.

■ And with thy spir - it.

P: *Lift up your hearts.*



☐ We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P: *Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.*



☐ It is meet and right so to do.

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

(please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION & HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

#700

(please stand)

NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-
cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING

P: *Oh give thanks unto the Lord for He is good.*

and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT:

P: *We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

A - men.

P: *The Lord be with you.*

And with thy spir - it.

P: *Bless we the Lord.*

Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION P: *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you † and give you peace.*



A-men, a-men, a - men.

(please be seated)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

#686

IN SERVICE THIS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

USHERS

5:00 p.m. Alan Benner
9:30 a.m. Mike Haynes
Chuck Boeger
Dennis Koch

ELDERS

5:00 p.m. Alan Benner
9:30 a.m. Mike Haynes
Dave Hass

LAY READERS

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Gina Galligar
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Kathy Walker

ALTAR GUILD

Alena Fakhari
Marilyn Richards

Attendance Last Week: Saturday 49 Sunday 83 Wednesday Lenten 49 Total 181

Weekly Budgeted Giving

WEEK	ENVELOPES	BUDGET	OVER/UNDER
5	6265	6050	215
6	4541	6050	-1509
7	3551	6050	-2499
8	3695	6050	-2355
9	7518	6050	1468
10	6352	6050	302
11	4400	6050	-1650
12	3973	6050	-2077

February Total Expenses \$19,198 Total Year Expenses 39,814



- The Vanco App is a simple way to manage your giving in support of the mission and ministry of Faith. Use this QR code to connect to the app. For some, this is an easy way to simplify firstfruits giving.



Alena Fakhar, Betty Sundbo, Mike Feltner, Judy Hill, Steve Fetzer, LuAnn Cooke



WEDNESDAY LENTEN SUPPER SIGN UP SHEETS are in the Narthex. Please check to see what week your group is asked to host and participate. If you are not a member of the group and have time to help, please sign up. We'd love to have you join in

- April 2, 2025 BREAKFAST PRAYER GROUP Polish night
 - April 9, 2025 LADIES OF FAITH Bring your favorite dish
- Thank you everyone! Vicki Mueller

THE CHOSEN Season 1 Episode 8 I AM HERE would be good if you believed me - Jesus to the Samaritan Woman

Jesus heals Peter's Mother-in-Law, Mark 1:29-31

Jesus eats with sinners, Matthew 9:10-13

Jesus and the woman at the well, John 4:7-29

Every Wednesday after the Lenten services & potluck

March 31st Through April 6th

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| Monday | 8:30 A.M. | Men of Faith Monday
Papa J's Diner |
| Wednesday | 1:30 P.M.
5:00 P.M. | Mission Vision Team
Midweek Lenten Service
(Potluck Afterwards)
The Chosen Afterwards |

Thursday	2:00 P.M.	Ukulele Practice
	3:00 P.M.	Choir Practice
Friday	2:00 P.M.	Euchre
Saturday	5:00 P.M.	HC Worship Service
Sunday	9:30 A.M.	HC Worship Service Bible Study



WE ARE FAMILY WHEN WE WORSHIP TOGETHER, PRAY TOGETHER, AND STAY

TOGETHER – everyone is welcome to worship with us and we are glad you are here. If you would like to make Faith your home church, by becoming a member, the process is simple. Contact Pastor Galligar, or any member of our Welcome Team to schedule a Faith Chat. These chats are designed to help you get to know us, the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, and the missions and ministry of Faith. They are also designed to help us get to know you, how we might best serve you, and how we might help you connect your gifts and talents in service to the Lord. You can also indicate a desire to join by filling out one of the yellow cards in the pew back in church.

NOTES FROM PASTOR GALLIGAR

- ❖ **Did you know that** – your elder is here to pray for you and with you? Each weekend after worship, you can ask your elder, or any of our elders to pray for you in the sanctuary and they will be happy to do so.
- ❖ **Did you know that** - pastor will pray with you before surgery at the hospital before you check in? Whether it is 5:30am, or later in the day, if his schedule permits, he will be there for you. Please let Pastor know when things come up for you at the hospital, and he will be there.
- ❖ **Education Team** - Our new Education Director, Sue Schmidt is looking for folks to be a part of the Education Team soon. Let us know you are on board and would love to help. Contact Sue Schmidt – densueschmidt@gmail.com.
- ❖ **Did you know that** – AED stands for Automatic External Defibrillator? This is a device that is used to re-start a heart that has stopped beating.

SERMON NOTES

Lenten Midweek Series

The Hand of the Lord Who...

March 5th – April 9th, 2025

March 5 th - Ash Wednesday	Freely Gives
March 12 th	Creates & Saves
March 19 th	Cast Out Demons
March 26 th	Heals the Sick
April 2 nd	Raises the Dead
April 9 th	Holds All Things

Weekends in Lent

THE HEART OF THE SAVIOR

March 9th – April 13th, 2025

March 9 th	Resists Temptation
March 16 th	Would Gather His Children
March 23 rd	Warns His Flock
March 30 th	Is Filled with Compassion
April 6 th	Calls Out to His People
April 13 th - Palm Sunday	Fulfills the Father's Purpose

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Holy Week Worship

The Hand of the Lord Who...

April 13th – April 20th, 2025

April 12 th & 13 th – Palm Sunday Weekend – Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 9:30am	The Heart of the Savior Fulfills the Father's Purpose
April 17 th – Maundy Thursday – 5:00pm	The Hand of the Lord Who Serves and Feeds Us
April 18 th – Good Friday – 5:00pm	The Hand of the Lord Who Was Pierced for Us
April 19 th – Easter Vigil – 5:00pm	The Hand of the Lord Who Made Us
April 20 th – Sunrise Service – 7:00am	The Hand of the Lord Who is Risen
April 20 th – Celebration Service – 9:30am	The Hand of the Lord Who Holds Us Always

LENTEN WORSHIP- THE HEART OF THE SAVIOR: Is Filled with Compassion– is the message for this weekend. *"He had compassion on them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd"* Jesus came to seek and to save the lost. Because of His compassion for us, our lives now include the promise of eternal life with the Father in heaven. Because of the compassion of Christ, we are saved, by His grace.

- ✚ In the story of the prodigal son, who do you first identify with? Why?
- ✚ How is the compassion of Christ reflected in your everyday life?
- ✚ What is the difference between knowing the Word of the Lord, and knowing the Lord of the Word?

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- ✚ Pray for the Holy Spirit to help us receive His message this week.
- ✚ **Health concerns:** Shawn Howe, Rose Harvey, Bonnie Berg, Dennis Zurawski, Vicki Mueller, Geneva Davis, Edward Monty, Jerry Marquette, Dean Moore, Barry Stern, Debbie Zilm, Kim Malave, Barbara Schenk, George Scalzi, Bill Engelbrecht, Sandy Cooper, Nita Hass, Phyllis Jodis, Ron Pless, Aaron Cote, Todd Moothart, Don Jones, Gia Shultz, Harry & Rose Detlefs, Connie Weiss, Margie Budd, Doug Deuchler, Patrick Daley, Andy Borchardt, Drake Daggett, Katie Arias, Patricia Ulvund, Andy & Michelle Lahera.
- ✚ Pray for peace in our community, our county, our state, and our nation.
- ✚ Pray for God's ongoing guidance as we prepare to complete the work of defining His values, purpose, mission, vision and goals for Faith Lutheran Church.

PRAYER REQUESTS: You may always use the yellow cards in the pews to submit a prayer request. These can be public or private. You may also send in prayer requests directly to the prayer chain via email to prayer@faithlecanto.org.

Welcome Home Children

We are so happy you are with us today at church. And we want you to feel at home here at Faith. If you need anything, tell your mom or dad, or grandma or grandpa, or whoever you came with, and they can let us know and we can help.

- ❖ Please relax and enjoy your time here. Jesus knows that little ones wiggle and squeak sometimes, and it is a joy to His ears, and ours as well.
- ❖ Encourage your parents to help you sit up front by the altar area. That way you'll be better able to see all the stuff that is going on. Most of the action happens up front.
- ❖ Be sure to grab an activity bag from the kid's room in the back of the church. (It's that place with the window that looks into the church.)
- ❖ Be sure to sing along with your parents and the people around you. Jesus loves it when we make joyful noises to Him.
- ❖ When we pray, a lot of times we fold our hands and bow our heads so we can listen better to the prayers. Don't you love it when we pray together?
- ❖ Jesus teaches us a special prayer called the "Our Father", or the "Lord's Prayer". When we pray this one, it's a good time to hold our parent's hand because this is a prayer we pray together.

Please know that while you are caring for your parents, the rest of us will be rejoicing in Jesus' words, ***"Let the little children come to Me and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these."*** (Luke 18:16) You are a gift to the church, so we will do our best to welcome, smile, encourage, help, and bless you all.