

Gathering Music

Greeting/Announcements

Song “We Were Baptized in Christ Jesus” WOV #698

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness..... WOV pg. 10

Prayer of the Day

Heavenly Father, it is your glory always to have mercy. Pursue sinners who are in rebellion against your will and restore all your people who have strayed from your ways. As you created and still love this world that you made, so lead us and all people to embrace in faith the truth of your Word and hold it fast; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading Genesis 12:1-9

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading Romans 4:1-8, 13-17

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Faith Seeds Faith Lutheran Puppets

Faith Seeds is a time for children of all ages to come forward for a lesson geared to them.

The Gospel Acclamation

**The Word of God is source and seed;
it comes to die and sprout and grow.
So make our hearts receptive soil;
root deep the grain God bends to sow.**

The Announcement of the Gospel “Glory to You, O Lord”

Gospel John 3:1-17

Response after the Gospel “Praise to You, O Christ”

Sermon “You Won’t Survive!” Pastor Scott Grorud

Song “By Grace We Have Been Saved”

Apostles’ Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

Offering/Special Music “Come, Thou Fount” Roxanna Boe and Austin Willhite

Offertory Response: “Create in Me”

**Create in me a clean heart, O God that I might serve You.
Create in me a clean heart, O God that I might be renewed.
So fill me and heal me and bring me back to You.
Create in me a clean heart, O God that I might serve You.**

Prayers of the Church

The Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer

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 Distribution

Benediction

Closing Song .. “Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling” WOV #734

Faith Lutheran Church

LCMC

Hutchinson, Minnesota

10:10 a.m. Sanctuary Service

March 5, 2023

Second Sunday in Lent

“What Does This Mean?”

Questions about Today’s Worship Theme:

John 3:1-17

- † Why do you think the human will to survive is so strong and tenacious?
- † Why was Nicodemus so baffled by Jesus’ teaching?
- † Why does our salvation require a complete break between the old and the new?
- † Why is it *good* news that you won’t survive?

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Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. John 3:5