

Prelude

Greeting/Announcements

Hymn ..... “Jesus, Refuge of the Weary” ..... LBW #93

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness ..... LBW pg. 77

Kyrie ..... LBW pg. 78

Hymn of Praise .... “Holy God, We Praise Your Name” ..... LBW #535

Prayer of the Day

**Eternal Lord, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your Word and obey it, so that we become instruments of your redeeming love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

First Reading ..... Isaiah 42:14-21

L: The Word of the Lord.  
**C: Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading ..... Ephesians 5:8-14

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Faith Seeds ..... Shelly Kirchoff

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

The Gospel Acclamation for Lent ..... LBW pg. 83

**“Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.”**

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

Gospel ..... John 9:1-41

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

Sermon ..... “The Blind Man in Three Acts” ..... Pastor Dave Wollan

Hymn ..... “Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound” ..... LBW #448

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 “What Wondrous Love Is This” Ringers of Faith

Offertory Response

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from your presence,  
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

Prayers of the Church

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.**

Benediction

Closing Hymn ..... “Be Thou My Vision” ..... WOV #776

# Faith Lutheran Church (LCMC)

Hutchinson, Minnesota  
8:00 a.m. First Word Service  
March 19, 2023  
Fourth Sunday in Lent

## *What Does This Mean?"*

Questions about Today's Worship Theme:  
John 9:1-41

- † What did you learn from the Disciple?
- † What did you learn from the Pharisee?
- † What did you learn from the Blind Man?
- † How has Jesus made you "see"?



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*But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight."  
John 9:10-11*