Prelude

Greeting/Announcements

Hymn ...... "Jesus, I Will Ponder Now" ...... LBW #115

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

#### 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.

- 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 3:1-17

Response after the Gospel ..... "Praise to You, O Christ"

Sermon ...... "You Won't Survive!" ...... Pastor Scott Grorud

Hymn ..... "God Loved the World" (Tune: 492) ...... LBW #292

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 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 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 ....... "Lamb of God" ...... LBW pg. 92 Communion ...... LBW #123, 213, 219

Benediction

Hymn ...... "Sacred Head, Now Wounded" ..... LBW #117

# **Faith Lutheran Church**

(LCMC) Hutchinson, Minnesota 8:00 a.m. First Word 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