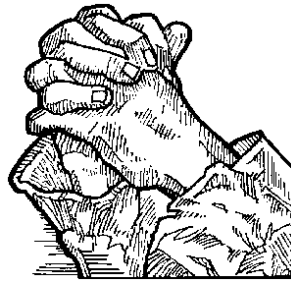


PRAYERS FOR OUR FAITH FAMILY

For the Lord's healing and protecting hand on:

Jennifer Rowe, Vicki Harden's daughter-in-law, with bone cancer;
Dorel Antim, with ongoing health concerns.
Bob Powell, prayers for healing after suffering a stroke.
Alice Robenson, who suffered a stroke.
John Samson, who has colon cancer.
Veronica, Dorel's daughter, who is terminally ill.
Tammy Kwiatkowski, who is recovering from another recent surgery.
Margaret Clarke, who is starting 6 month chemotherapy for breast cancer.
Carol Cope, daughter of Verna Vogt, with colon cancer.
Dora Ramirez, healing after surgery.
Paula Belknap, for recovery after recent hospitalization.
Susan Garcia, recently diagnosed with breast cancer
Lovell Winters, son of Willie and Betty Winters.
Jackie Carroll, sister of Dan Klaub, with cancer.



For Those That Are Home Bound:

Vivian Criswell, Vern Formoe, Jim Godec, Norma Miller

Those in the Military:

Robert Hureto, Eric David Martz, Oscar Acabal, David Wahlstrom & Bradley Carpenter in Iraq;
Daniel Loeschen who is now at Fort Hood, TX;
Jeremy Jackson and Rod Dove who are in Afghanistan;
Rick M. Ferrell who is at Fort Carson, CO;
Joshua Kwiatkowski who was deployed and on the USS Carl Vinson;
Ryan German, who is on the USS Enterprise in Norfolk, VA;
Scott Donaldson, who is stationed in Sacramento, CA;

Comfort For:

The family of **Don Willcut**, who passed away on March 28th.

The family of **Ed and Marge Miller** at the death of their nephew last week in Detroit.

*If you are need of prayers please contact the office or **Heather Svika** (951) 688-3827 so we can add your prayers to our prayer chain and be aware of your needs.*

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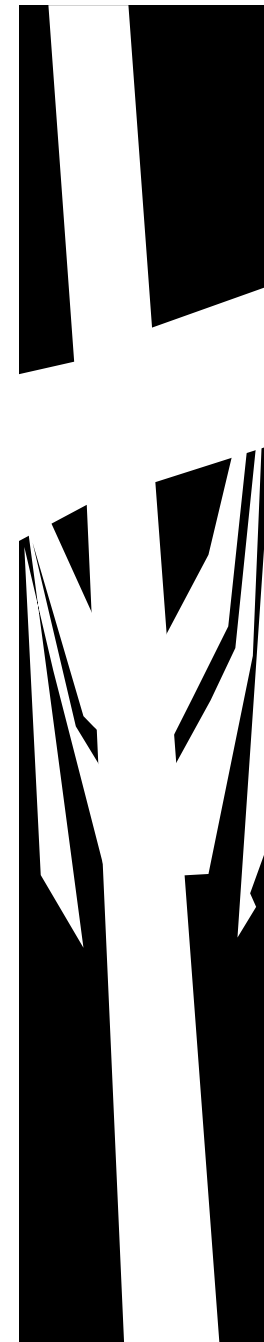
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Fifth
SUNDAY
LENT

**Worship Service
Fifth Sunday in Lent
April 10, 2011—8:00 AM**

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

April 10, 2011, 8:00 a.m.

AS WE GATHER

The illness and death of Lazarus happened *“that the Son of God may be glorified through it”* (John 11:4). Jesus' miracle of raising Lazarus prompted His arrest and crucifixion, whereby He would die *“for the nation”* and gather *“into one the children of God who are scattered abroad”* (John 11:51–52). As He called Lazarus from the tomb and commanded others to *“unbind him, and let him go”* (John 11:44), Jesus also calls us and releases us from the bondage of sin and death. We would not *“submit to God's law,”* nor could we *“please God”* (Rom. 8:7–8), but *“He condemned sin”* in His own flesh, so *“that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us”* (Rom. 8:3–4). Now, through the Gospel, *“the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells”* in us (Rom. 8:11). His Word breathes His Spirit into our mortal flesh, animating us with His own life. As His ministers preach according to His divine command, the Lord Jesus calls us from the grave into the good land that He gives us (Ezek. 37:12, 14).

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN “Christ, the Life of All the Living” LSB 420

INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: I called on the name of the LORD:

People: “O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!”

Pastor: If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities,

People: O Lord, who could stand?

Pastor: But with You there is forgiveness,

People: that You may be feared. *Psalm 116:4; 130:3-4*

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION [LSB p. 167]

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

Pastor: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom. The end of faith is the salvation of your souls. *Psalm 111:10; 1 Peter 1:9* Today as every day we are confronting death—not only physical death, but the death of relationships, the death that is sin, the daily experience others call “life” in this fallen world. Because Jesus has the power to call forth to life out of death, we call to Him for help. We confess our death recalling our Baptism into Christ and listen for His life-giving Word by which He forgives our sin daily and fills us with faith, hope, and love. We join together in that confession and prayer.

People: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us. **“Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.” Forgive us our sins. Bring us forth from death and give us Your life that is eternal. Amen** (*Ezek. 37:11*)

Pastor: “Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O My people.” *Ezekiel 37:12* 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.

People: Amen.



MAUNDY THURSDAY

APRIL 21, 2011

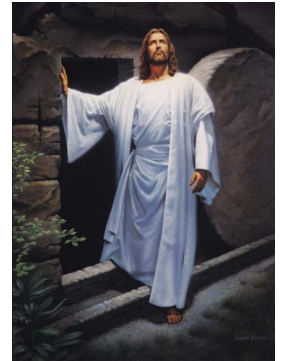
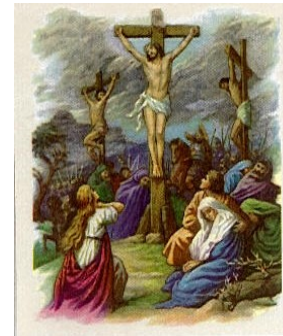
AT 1 & 7 PM

Maundy Thursday
Services at 1 pm & 7 pm

GOOD FRIDAY
APRIL 22, 2011

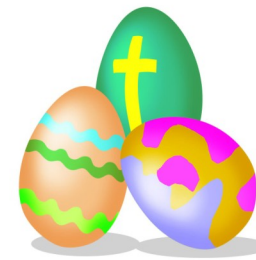
AT 12 & 7 PM

EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 24, 2011



WALK TO CALVARY AND EASTER JOY HUNT

When: Saturday, April 23, 2011 9 am—12pm
Where: Faith Lutheran amphitheater
What: See the Passion of our Lord reenacted as He walked to the cross of Calvary to die for our sins. Then rejoice in the resurrection with the Easter Joy hunt (crafts, dyeing eggs, and candy for kids).



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Easter Offerings

During the Easter season, it is encouraging to see both new and familiar faces at our worship services. Throughout the year, many of you already support the congregation with your time, talent and financial contributions but greater participation is always welcome. We encourage you to look into our electronic giving program. It's convenient for you and provides much-needed donation consistency for the church. Please contact Bruce Duerfeldt for details.

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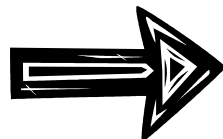


Schedule of Wednesday Lenten Services

April 13th at 1:00 and 7 p.m.

Lenten Dinners Wednesdays
at 6:00 PM

- If anyone would like to help out with the Soup Suppers, please contact Katherine Cross at (951) 237-0787



Our secretary, Melissa will be out of the office on April 14th.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.
Be Seated

+ WORD +

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 42: 14-21

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the LORD and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. ² He led me back and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry. ³ He asked me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" I said, "O Sovereign LORD, you alone know." ⁴ Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear the word of the LORD!' ⁵ This is what the Sovereign LORD says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life. ⁶ I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the LORD." ⁷ So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. ⁸ I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them. ⁹ Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to it, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe into these slain, that they may live.'" ¹⁰ So I prophesied as he commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet—a vast army. ¹¹ Then he said to me: "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.' ¹² Therefore prophesy and say to them: 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: O my people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel. ¹³ Then you, my people, will know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and bring you up from them. ¹⁴ I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the LORD have spoken, and I have done it, declares the LORD.'"

- This is the Word of the Lord;
- Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING Romans 8: 1-11

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, ² because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death. ³ For what the law was powerless to do in that it was weakened by the sinful nature, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful man to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in sinful man, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirements of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the sinful nature but according to the Spirit. ⁵ Those who live according to the sinful nature have their minds set on what that nature desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. ⁶ The mind of sinful man is death, but the mind controlled by the Spirit is life and peace; ⁷ the sinful mind is hostile to God. It does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. ⁸ Those controlled by the sinful nature cannot please God. ⁹ You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God lives in you.

And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, your body is dead because of sin, yet your spirit is alive because of righteousness. ¹¹ And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit, who lives in you.

- L** This is the Word of the Lord;
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Please Stand

HOLY GOSPEL John 11: 17-45

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 11th chapter:
- C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. ¹⁸ Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁹ and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. ²⁰ When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home. ²¹ “Lord,” Martha said to Jesus, “if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²² But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask.” ²³ Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” ²⁴ Martha answered, “I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day.” ²⁵ Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; ²⁶ and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” ²⁷ “Yes, Lord,” she told him, “I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who was to come into the world.” ²⁸ And after she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary aside. “The Teacher is here,” she said, “and is asking for you.” ²⁹ When Mary heard this, she got up quickly and went to him. ³⁰ Now Jesus had not yet entered the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. ³¹ When the Jews who had been with Mary in the house, comforting her, noticed how quickly she got up and went out, they followed her, supposing she was going to the tomb to mourn there. ³² When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. ³⁴ “Where have you laid him?” he asked. “Come and see, Lord,” they replied. ³⁵ Jesus wept. ³⁶ Then the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” ³⁷ But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?” ³⁸ Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. ³⁹ “Take away the stone,” he said. “But, Lord,” said Martha, the sister of the dead man, “by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days.” ⁴⁰ Then Jesus said, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” ⁴¹ So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.” ⁴³ When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, “Take off the grave clothes and let him go.” ⁴⁵ Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, put their faith in him.

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**



FROM THE TREASURER . . .
FOR THE WEEK AT FAITH: 4/2/2011
Attendance: 8 am—69, 10:30 am—64
Mid Week: 1 pm—14, 7 pm—43

Amount needed per week (average) to operate our Church:	\$4,100.00
Last Week's offering for expenses for the Lord's work at Faith:	\$4,228.03
Difference	+128.03
Dedicated Funds offerings (for specific programs or purpose):	\$818.25



Social Ministries is now collecting canned goods. We are especially in need of cans of chili, and fruit cups. For more information please see Stephanie Michaud.

CELLPHONES FOR SOLDIERS

As we begin a new year, please continue to remember our troops serving abroad and at home by donating your used cell phones. The phones are recycled and calling cards are provided to keep our troops connected to their loved ones at home.

For the year 2010, a total of 74 phones were donated.
 Thank you,
 Carolyn Donaldson



JOIN A FAITH CHOIR!



Easter Choir
 Practice Wednesday Nights
 At 8 p.m.
 Directed by Kedma Wenz
 Singing Chorus:
"Hallelujah! Praise the Lamb"

Bell Choir
 Practice Wednesday Nights
 At 5 p.m.
 Directed by Tim Noel



***New Members*
 Class**



- New Members' Class**
Sundays at 12 pm
This class is open to all:
- Who want to learn what Faith believes and teaches
 - Who want to become members of Faith
 - Who want to renew their faith walk
 - Who want a basic Bible study on Christianity
- If Interested, please contact Pastor Paul*

Those Serving and Assisting You in God's Service Today:

Pastor Paul Wenz – Organist, Caitlin St. John

Altar Guild 8:00 a.m. Katherine Cross

10:30 am Ruby Doucette

Elder 8:00 & 10:30 am Rick Ferrell

This week at Faith:

April 10, 2011

**** Today**** 8:00 am **Traditional Worship Service**

9:15 am Adult Bible Study and Sunday School

10:30 am **Contemporary Worship Service**

12:00 pm New Members' Class

Monday 6:00 pm Women's Bible Study

Tuesday 9:30 am Food Distribution Set-up

Wednesday 10:15 am Food Distribution

11:00 am Whispering Fountains Bible Study

1:00 pm Lent Service

5:00 pm Bell Choir practice

6:00 pm Soup Supper

7:00 pm Lent Service

8:00 pm Easter Choir Practice

Thursday 10:00 am Bible Study (Secretary out of office)

Friday

Saturday 7:30 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

9:00 am Walk to Calvary practice & Community
Easter Canvassing

Next Sunday 8:00 am **Traditional Service**

9:15 am Adult Bible Study and Sunday School

10:30 am **Contemporary Worship Service**

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Do you want to serve as an usher?** Each Sunday we need usher teams of 4 people to help with the worship services at 8 and 10:30 am. Please talk to Karen Rice if you are interested in helping.
- **DON'T FORGET—LAST DAY TO ORDER EASTER LILIES IS TODAY!** - Slips are located in the narthex.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From

thence 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.

Be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" *LSB 425*

SERMON "Dry Bones? Take a Drink from Jesus' Living Water!" *by Pastor Wenz*

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: The resurrection to eternal life has come to the world in Christ Jesus. Let us pray for the deliverance of all who belong to Christ by faith, and for all for whom He died and rose again. O God, as You created everything out of nothing by Your mighty Word, so You have brought resurrection and eternal life to light by the mighty command of Your Son who went through death and emerged victorious over death now for all who put their faith in Him. Receive our praise and thanks for Your gift of eternal life. Help us to live as Your resurrection people, bringing the might of Your Word to all. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Inspire and bless all called to preach Your Word and administer Your Holy Sacraments with resurrection power, that they do not grow weary but grow in compassion and perseverance. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: For the sake of Your Word by which You cause repentance and faith to issue from human hearts, guide the leaders of nations and communities in our world to pursue ways of peace and tranquility among people, that Your Word may be preached for the salvation of all. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Comfort and heal all those who are sick or infirm, disabled or troubled (*especially* _____). Remind us that our ultimate healing is in the resurrection of the dead and the life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy,



People: hear our prayer.
 Pastor: Lord, may the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ, be for our souls the highest good! Lord, in Your mercy,
People: hear our prayer.
 Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
People: Amen.

+ SACRAMENT +

PREFACE
 Pastor: The Lord be with you. [2 Timothy 4:22]
People: And also with you.
 Pastor: Lift up your hearts. [Colossians 3:1]
People: We lift them to the Lord.
 Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. [Psalm 136]
People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
 Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. 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 [Tune: *Rock of Ages*, LSB 761]

*Holy, holy, holy sing
 To the heav'nly armies' King.
 For His glory, might, and worth
 fill the heavens, fill the earth.
 Holy, holy, holy cry
 To the Lord of hosts most high.*

*Hail, Hosanna David's Son!
 Blessed is the One who comes.
 In the name of God the Lord,
 Name the blessings rich outpoured.
 Hail Hosanna, save us now
 Holy, holy God of power.*

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
People: Amen.

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 WORDS OF OUR LORD (Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Cor. 11:23–25)

PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord + be with you always.
People: Amen.



DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“What Wondrous Love Is This” LSB 543
 “My Song Is Love Unknown” LSB 430
 “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus” LSB 685

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray. 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.
People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace. *Numbers 6:24-26*
People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious” LSB 548
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To God Alone Be the Glory!

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