

Laetare
The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 10, 2024



**I was glad when they said to
me, "Let us go to the house of
the LORD!"**

(Psalm 122:1 ESV)

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Welcome to the Divine Service where the risen Christ comes into our midst to bring us the peace of His cross and empty tomb. We pray that the Lord would grant us His Holy Spirit that His Word would bear the fruits of faith in Christ and works of love toward our neighbor.

The Lord's Supper is a confession that we are united in holding to all the doctrines of God's Word. Those who do not know and hold to the doctrinal commitment of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, who are not members in good standing at an LCMS congregation, or who receive the Lord's Supper at a church not in fellowship with the LCMS, are requested to attend the Adult Instruction Class for membership before communing at Faith Lutheran Church.

The Lord Feeds His People

The Lord provided bread from heaven for His people in the wilderness (Ex. 16:2–21). Now He who is Himself the living bread from heaven miraculously provides bread for the five thousand (John 6:1–15). This takes place near the time of the Passover, after a great multitude had followed Jesus across the sea, and when He went up on a mountain. Seen in this way, Jesus is our new and greater Moses, who releases us from the bondage of Mount Sinai and makes us free children of the promise (Gal. 4:21–31). Five loaves become twelve baskets—that is, the five books of Moses find their goal and fulfillment in Christ, whose people continue steadfastly in the doctrine and fellowship of the twelve apostles, and in the breaking and receiving of the bread of life, which is the body of Christ together with His precious blood, and in the prayers (Acts 2:41–47). So it is that God's people "*shall not hunger or thirst*" (Is. 49:8–13). For He abundantly provides for us in both body and soul.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please remember to silence your cell phones during the Divine Service.)

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Ken and Gloria Lawrence in thanksgiving for their wedding anniversary.

The Holy Season of Lent continues with Wednesday Midweek Vespers at 7:00 p.m. A light potluck supper is served at 6:00 p.m. Please join us as we are reminded of the Kingship of Christ.

Easter Lilies may be purchased from the Women of Wylie (WoW) to beautify the sanctuary on Easter Sunday and may be taken home after the service. They are \$14.00 each and checks should be made payable to Faith Lutheran Church with the memo: "WOW, Easter lily". Sign up today! Contact Sandra Traugott for questions or more information.

All women of Faith and their guests are invited for a special Easter Brunch on March 16. It will be a time of fun, fellowship, and food, celebrating the beautiful Easter season.

More times are available for pastoral home visits. Please use the link to SignUp Genius. The link has also been emailed. These visits will be about 45 minutes in length and are intended to facilitate an opportunity to talk about church and Sunday School attendance, family devotions, and Bible study. If you would like more time to discuss anything I will be happy to schedule another visit just for that. May God richly bless these visits that our fellowship in Christ may be strengthened. I look forward to visiting each of your homes.

[Every Household Visits Sign Up](#)

The annual Women of Wylie (WoW) Rummage Sale is planned for April 19 and 20, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. both days. Mark your calendars now! It's time to clean out your closets and donate items to the Sale. Proceeds will go to the Youth to help defray travel costs to Higher Things this summer.

Please be sure your family signs up to help with the regular cleaning of the Lord's house. Look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex. Many hands make light work!

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OUR LIFE AS CHRISTIAN STEWARDS

John 6:8-9 – “One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, ‘There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?’” The disciples focus on the numbers — so little for so much! But the Lord’s grace will not be limited by the narrow vision of His disciples. The Lord has a plan to use even the little for His work of greatness. So let us be faithful even in the little and watch the Lord use it for His great works!

UPCOMING WEEK’S EVENTS

SUNDAY	<i>The Fourth Sunday in Lent (Laetare)</i>
3/10/24	9:30 AM – Divine Service 11:15 AM – Sunday School
TUESDAY	9:00 AM – Women’s Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	9:30 AM – Divine Service 10:30 AM – Homeschool Meet Up 6:00 PM – Light Potluck Supper 7:00 PM – Lent 4 Vespers
THURSDAY	9:30 AM – Circuit Conference 7:00 PM – Church Council
FRIDAY	9:30 AM – Matins 10:15 AM – Confession and Absolution
SATURDAY	11:00 AM – Women's Easter Brunch

SUNDAY *The Fifth Sunday in Lent (Judica)*
3/17/24 9:30 AM – Divine Service
 11:15 AM – Sunday School

PRAYERS

- Those members and friends of our congregation who are serving in the military (and their families): Emma Dammann (Army), Thomas Kun (Air Force), Brandon Lowery (Navy), Jesse Lowery (Navy), Ethan Sims (Air Force Reserves).
- Franklin Fischer's family as he was laid to rest this past Friday, March 8.
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues: Alissa Ulmer, Dony Reaves, Ethan Sims, Mary Hart, Jeff Ellis, Doug Drawe.

Assisting in the Divine Service Today:

Elder – Gil Daughtrey
Altar: Gail Sellers/Patti Ellis Organist: Rebekah Roundey
Pastor Ulmer – Bible Class
Amanda Curry – Sunday School Superintendent
3/3/24 General Fund Offerings received: \$6,100.10
Restricted Fund Offerings received: \$205
Weekly budget needed: \$4,478; Year to date **surplus \$1,299**