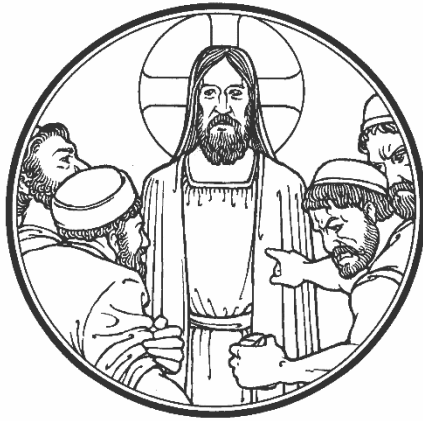


Judica
The Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024



**Truly, truly, I say to you, if
anyone keeps my word, he
will never see death.**

(John 8:51 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.

Jesus Is Our Redemption

In the temple Jesus said, "*If anyone keeps my word, he will never see death*" (John 8:51). For Jesus came to taste death for us—to drink the cup of suffering to the dregs in order that we might be released from its power. Clinging to His life-giving words, we are delivered from death's sting and its eternal judgment. Christ is our High Priest, who entered the Most Holy Place and with His own blood obtained everlasting redemption for His people (Heb. 9:11–15). He is the One who was before Abraham was, and yet is his descendant. He is the promised Son who carries the wood up the mountain for the sacrifice, who is bound and laid upon the altar of the cross. He is the ram who is offered in our place, who is willingly caught in the thicket of our sin, and who wears the crown of thorns upon His head (Gen. 22:1–14). Though Jesus is dishonored by the sons of the devil, He is vindicated by the Father through the cross.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Mite Collection today!

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.

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 WoW local and world mission projects and the Youth Fund.

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!

Galatians Bible Study... The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon begins a study this week on the Book of Galatians. You can listen at your convenience at thewordendures.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, the LPR mobile app or your favorite podcast provider.

OUR LIFE AS CHRISTIAN STEWARDS

Genesis 22:2 – “He said, ‘Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.’” It’s hard for us to even fathom a faith as strong as Abraham’s — he follows the Lord’s Word even when it seems impossibly hard. But he does so because he knows that the Lord only means to bless. What happened here to Abraham should be an encouragement for us: trust the Lord and keep His Word.

UPCOMING WEEK’S EVENTS

SUNDAY	<i>The Fifth Sunday in Lent (Judica)</i>
3/17/24	9:30 AM – Divine Service
	11:15 AM – Sunday School
	2:00 PM – Adult Choir Practice
TUESDAY	<i>St. Joseph</i>
	9:00 AM – Women’s Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	9:30 AM – Divine Service
	6:00 PM – Light Potluck Supper
	7:00 PM – Lent 5 Vespers
FRIDAY	9:30 AM – Matins
	10:15 AM – Confession and Absolution
SUNDAY	<i>Palmarum, Palm Sunday</i>
3/24/24	9:30 AM – Divine Service
	11:15 AM – Sunday School

PRAYERS

- Those in our congregation who are homebound: Judy Michels, Melanie Obenhaus, Vicky Cantrell, Dony Reaves.
- Christina Null who recently fell and suffered a significant wound to her head that God would grant her swift and full healing.
- Aimee Hendon's parents as they struggle after Antonia's stroke that God would use this affliction to call both of them out of unbelief to saving faith in Christ and that God would faithfully carry out her vocation as their daughter.
- Leah Savage for protection of mother and child in pregnancy. (Psalm 139:13).
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues: Alissa Ulmer, Dony Reaves, Ethan Sims, Mary Hart, Doug Drawe.

Assisting in the Divine Service Today:

Elder – Gil Daughtrey

Altar: Gail Sellers

Organist: Nathan Leicht

Pastor Ulmer – Bible Class

Amanda Curry – Sunday School Superintendent

3/10/24 General Fund Offerings received: \$2,306

Restricted Fund Offerings received: \$225

Weekly budget needed: \$4,478; Year to date **deficit -\$903**