

# Sunday, March 8, 2026

## *Third Sunday in Lent*



Serving us in worship today: Pastor: *Jeremy Pedersen*;  
Music: *Kate Oehlke, Hand Bell Choir*; Lay Reader: *Doris Engelhardt*; Children's Church:  
*Kim Kauitzsch*; Ushers: *Kerry Koehler Rachel Webb, John Kuempel, Mark Dietz*;  
Greeters: *Pat and Missy Sagebiel*; Communion Helpers: *NA*; AV: *Chase White, Diane Gwyther*; Count: *John Taddy, Diane Terp*; Acolyte: *Jacob Hernandez*

### Welcome to Worship!

Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church, a people who love and follow Jesus Christ, our Lord! Our guests are encouraged to sign the **red** guestbook located at the Welcome Table in the entry hall. A nursery (with a staffed attendant) is located down the education wing and is available during worship and Sunday School hours for your convenience.

**We ask everyone to please complete the attendance sheet in the black folders at the end of the pews, and then pass them to your neighbors.**

**Children are invited to come forward for a special blessing before meeting for Children's Church. (Ages Pre-K through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade)**

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WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

*Please stand.*

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

OPENING HYMN: **"Give to Our God Immortal Praise!"** Green LBW # 520

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

KYRIE

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: **♪ Lord, have mercy. ♪**

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **♪ Lord, have mercy. ♪**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **♪ Lord, have mercy. ♪**

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **♪ Lord, have mercy. ♪**

P: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: **♪ Amen. ♪**

### HYMN OF PRAISE **"Lord God, heavenly King,..."**

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray...

C: **Amen**

*You may be seated.*

**SPECIAL MUSIC: Hand Bell Choir "Is He Worthy?"**

**CHILDREN'S BLESSING ("Praise Him, Praise Him")**

FIRST READING: **Exodus 17:1-7** (ESV)

**PSALM 95:1-9** (To be read responsively.) (ESV)

SECOND READING: **Romans 5:1-8** (ESV)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

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

GOSPEL: **John 4:1-26** (ESV)

C: **♪ Glory to you, O Lord. ♪**

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: **♪ Praise to you, O Christ. ♪**

SERMON

**Pastor Jeremy**

HYMN OF THE DAY: **"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"** Green LBW #293

*Please stand.*

APOSTLES' CREED

*You may be seated.*

OFFERING

*Visitors, feel free to pass the offering plate down the pew to your neighbor. To those who give via online, you may place the online contribution card located on the back of the pew in front of you in the offering plate if you desire.*

*(Please stand as the gifts are presented.)*

OFFERTORY: **"Create in me...."** Green LBW p. 96

OFFERTORY PRAYER Green LBW p.87

P: Merciful Father,

*You may be seated.*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Please stand.*

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN: **"O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts"** Green LBW #356

DISMISSAL

SUNDAY MORNINGS AT FAITH

**Worship Service** – 9:00 AM

*Fellowship on patio following worship*

**Sunday school** – 10:15-11:15 AM

Pre K- in Educational Wing

K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Preschool Building

3<sup>rd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> Grade in Education Wing

6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade in the LEC Loft

Adult Sunday School-in Activity Center & the Sm. Kitchen

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Have been sponsored to the glory of God today by Fred and Joanne Shanafelt in celebration of their grandson Ollie's 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday and their great-granddaughter Julia's 1<sup>st</sup> birthday.

"WORDS OF FAITH" BROADCAST ON KWED

Has been sponsored to the glory of God by Bryan and Diane Terp in thankfulness for their many blessings and in honor of their granddaughter Lily's 21<sup>st</sup> birthday today.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS:

Attendance on March 1: 161

Month to Date March **\$8,230.00** YTD Offerings and Misc. (2026) **\$73,489.80**

**2026** budgeted offerings is **\$572,657**

CHRISTIAN CUPBOARD

Thank you to those of you who have donated to the Christian Cupboard. Our March item is peanut butter, any brand or style. The total number of items collected as of March 3 is 11.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

Judy Saunders	Carolyn Sagebiel	Donald Jackson	Steve Foerster
Clara Fischer	Doris Rinn	Paul Quello	Dale Nauert
Patti Jahns	Georgie Dittrich	Don Hilbert	Gail Herbold
Clem & Jan Howe	Wally Braun	Brian Dahl	Terri Bailey
Bertha Marie Keller	Mary Barnes	Albert Zipp	Kathy Hamlett
Diane Gwyther	Annette Stout	Ellen Looff	Syndra Schulze
Julia Glenewinkel	Stephanie Larrimore		

### WORKERS FOR NEXT WEEK

**Sunday, March 15-** Ushers: Bill Ermel, Alan Bonds, Bill Keller, Cheryl Bonds; Lay Reader: Gail Herbold; Greeters: Emma Jean Becker, Joanne Shanafelt; AV: Matthew Fransen, Diane Gwyther; Count: Jud Alexander, Candi Andrews; Lock Up: Pastor Jeremy; Security: David Hernandez; Communion set up: Susan Foerster, Sharon Westerholm; Communion clean up: BJ Chambers, Kathy Taddy; Communion Servers: Dianne Chambers; Communion Aide: Gail Herbold; Acolyte: Olivia Poole.

### SAVE THE DATES

- **Sunday, March 29** - Palm Sunday
- **Thursday, April 2** - Maundy Thursday Service HERE w/ First Methodist friends
- **Friday, April 3** - Good Friday Service AT First Methodist (710 N. Austin St.)
- **Sunday, April 5** - Easter Sunday
- **Sunday, April 26** - Bluegrass Sunday Worship here with the Sieker Band 9:00 am **AND** then join First Methodist at Nolte Island for their picnic lunch at 12:00 pm.

### **THIS WEEK AT FAITH**

Tuesday, March 10	Men's Bible Study	7:30 AM (AC)
Tuesday, March 10	Retired School Personnel	9:00 AM (AC)
Tuesday, March 10	Hand Bell Choir	6:00 PM
Wednesday, March 11	Quilters	9:00 AM (AC)
Wednesday, March 11	FLY	5:15 PM
Wednesday, March 11	Joyful Noise	5:45 -6:05 PM
Wednesday, March 11	Lenten Dinner	6:00-6:45 PM
Wednesday, March 11	Lenten Service	7:00 PM
Thursday, March 12	YET	11:30/1:00
Thursday, March 12	Bible Study	7:00 PM

### 2026 FLOWER and WORDS OF FAITH CHARTS

Are now posted in the hallway outside of the Music/Communications office. Please sign up for dates you would like to sponsor altar flowers or our Words of Faith KWED Broadcast in 2026.

### **PRAYERS REQUESTED**

For the family of Juanita Terrell, mother of Vanita Hodge. Juanita passed through death into eternal life on February 22 in Tomball, TX. Services were held February 26 in Tomball. Please keep Vanita and Richard, and their children, Aylssa Flores and Lane Hodge in your prayers in the days and weeks to come.

## **Lenten Services and Dinners**

A casual, free-will-donation **dinner** will be offered each week prior to our Wednesday Lenten services from **6:00-6:45 p.m.** We warmly invite you to enjoy a time of food and fellowship before the 7:00 p.m. service begins.

Throughout the Lenten season, Pastor Jeremy will lead us in a thoughtful and engaging exploration of Luther's Small Catechism, highlighting the core doctrines of our faith and the central significance of Christ's passion and resurrection in our salvation. (Yes—Luther manages to be both profound and refreshingly concise!)

Our Wednesday services are designed to last 35-40 minutes—just long enough to be meaningful, but short enough not to derail your mid-week schedule.

We look forward to seeing you there!

- ♥ **Wednesday, March 11** - **Women of Faith Circles** will serve Pasta Casseroles!
- ♥ **Wednesday, March 18** - Our **Church Council** will serve something delicious!
- ♥ **Wednesday, March 25** - Our **CAMP KIDS** will serve something delicious!

## **SEEKING A PASSIONATE LEADER FOR OUR YOUTH MINISTRY**

Faith Lutheran Church is seeking a **full-time Youth Director** to lead and nurture our ministry with middle school and high school youth. This position provides spiritual leadership, program development, and relational ministry grounded in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the mission of the church.

The Youth Director will plan and lead regular youth gatherings, support youth and families, coordinate volunteers, and work collaboratively with pastoral staff and church leadership. This is a **full-time position**, reflecting the congregation's commitment to sustained, relational, and intentional ministry with young people.

More information can be found at

<https://faithseguin.org/youth-minister-opening/>

Interested candidates can submit resumes or questions to Pastor Jeremy Pedersen at [pastor@faithseguin.org](mailto:pastor@faithseguin.org) no later than April 1, 2026.

## **ACCOMPANIST OPPORTUNITY: JOIN OUR MUSIC MINISTRY**

Faith Lutheran Church is seeking a skilled accompanist (piano and/or organ) to support Sunday worship services, with occasional weekday services as required by the liturgical season (such as Lent). The congregation is also in need of an accompanist for the adult choir.

While one individual filling both roles is preferred, the responsibilities may be divided into two separate positions for qualified candidates.

The adult choir rehearses once a week and performs on an average of once a month during Sunday worship.

Both positions will be available beginning in June or July 2026.

For more information, please call 830-379-7036 or email: [music@faithseguin.org](mailto:music@faithseguin.org)

## **EASTER LILIES**

We have ordered 66 Easter lilies to adorn our sanctuary and church grounds for Easter Sunday. If you would like to purchase a lily in honor or memory of a loved one, the cost is **\$9.25** per plant. The ordering deadline is **12:00 PM on March 27.**



Please submit checks or cash—clearly labeled and made payable to Faith Lutheran—along with your completed order form to the church office.

*Please note: The deadline ensures your dedication is included in the Easter Sunday bulletins.*

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Lilies:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In Honor or Memory of:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please circle one)

**Paid:** \_\_\_\_\_