

Sunday, March 22, 2026

Fifth Sunday in Lent



Serving us in worship today: Pastor: *Jeremy Pedersen*;
Music: *Kate Oehlke, Joyful Noise, Chancel Singers*; Lay Reader: *Bill Keller*; Children's Church: *Kim Kautzsch*; Ushers: *Brian Baker, Terry Freeman, Ben Weise, Joan Vanbeek*; Greeters: *Bryan and Diane Terp*; Communion Helpers: *NA*; AV: *Chase White, Jesus Garcia*; Count: *Wally Braun, Dianne Chambers*; Acolyte: *Lane 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 3rd grade)

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

Please stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

OPENING HYMN: **"Here in This Place (Gather Us In)** Blue WOV #718

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: Joyful Noise "Shout With Joy"

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

FIRST READING: **Ezekiel 37:1-14** (ESV)

PSALM 130 (To be read responsively.) (ESV)

SECOND READING: **Romans 8:1-11** (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 11:1-45** (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: **"We Were Baptized in Christ Jesus"** Blue WOV #698

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM Jordan Lynnette Schlather

Please see screens and participate when directed.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

OFFERING **Special Music: Chancel Singers "A Purple Robe, A Crown of Thorn"**

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: **"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"** Green LBW #259

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-2nd Grade Preschool Building

3rd -5th Grade in Education Wing

6th -12th grade in the LEC Loft

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

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR and "WORDS OF FAITH" Broadcast on KWED

Have been sponsored to the glory of God today by Pat and Missy Sagebiel in celebration of Pat's 80th birthday!

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS:

Attendance on March 15: 159

Month to Date March **\$18,893.00** YTD Offerings and Misc. (2026) **\$99,649.50**

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 17 is 36.

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	Ted Engelhardt	Stephanie Larrimore	

WORKERS FOR NEXT WEEK

Sunday, March 29- Ushers: Fred Blumberg, Cliff Lehmann, Bryan Terp, David Moltz, Brett Owen; Lay Reader: Georgie Dittrich; Greeters: Candi Andrews, Jody Alexander; AV: Tim Bogisch, Betty Moltz; Count: Mark Herbold, Karen Huff; Lock Up: Sharon Stollewerk; Security: Jud Alexander; Communion set up: Sharon Westerholm, Susan Foerster; Communion clean up: Kathy Taddy, BJ Chambers; Communion Servers: Avis Herrick; Communion Aide: Stefan Hilbert; Acolyte: Tommy Oehlke.

JORDAN LYNNETTE SCHLATHER

Jordan Lynnette receives the promise today, which is given in Holy Baptism. Together with her husband Collin, we share their joy as Jordan is received into the Kingdom of God. The prayers of our church family are requested for her as she begins a New Life in Christ. The sponsors for Lynnette are her husband, Greg and Nancy Schlather, and members of Faith Lutheran Church.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW CHURCH MEMBERS!

Collin and Jordan Schlather

We are delighted to announce and celebrate the newest members of our Faith Lutheran Church family! Each person who joins us brings unique gifts, perspectives, and energy that enrich our community and help us grow together in faith, fellowship, and service.

Whether you are new to the area, exploring your faith journey, or seeking a spiritual home, we are honored that you have chosen to become part of our congregation. Your presence is a blessing, and we look forward to getting to know you, supporting you, and walking alongside you as we seek to live as the redeemed people of God, dedicated to sharing Christ's love with each other!

SAVE THE DATES

- **Sunday, March 29** - Palm Sunday
- **Sunday, March 29** - 5th Sunday Potluck Brunch 10:30 am LEC
- **Thursday, April 2** - Maundy Thursday Service HERE w/ First Methodist Friends. 7:00 pm
- **Friday, April 3** - Good Friday Service AT First Methodist (710 N. Austin St.) 7:00 pm
- **Sunday, April 5** - Easter Sunday: Sunrise Service @ 7:00 am; Traditional Service @ 9:00 am
- **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

Monday, March 23	Staff Mtg.	9:00 AM
Tuesday, March 24	Men's Bible Study	7:30 AM (AC)
Tuesday, March 24	Hand Bells	6:00 PM
Wednesday, March 25	Quilters	9:00 AM (AC)
Wednesday, March 25	Donuts for Dad @ PS	10:00 AM
Wednesday, March 25	FLY	5:15 PM
Wednesday, March 25	Joyful Noise	5:45 -6:05 PM
Wednesday, March 25	Lenten Dinner	6:00-6:45 PM
Wednesday, March 25	Chancel Singers	6:15-6:55 PM
Wednesday, March 25	Lenten Service	7:00 PM
Thursday, March 26	YET	11:30/1:00
Thursday, March 26	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.

Birthday Gathering

You are cordially invited to help celebrate Pat Sagebiel's 80th birthday! Come share a memory with Pat and enjoy some birthday cake and a cup of punch **TODAY** from 2:00-4:00 pm in the Activity Center.

5th SUNDAY BRUNCH

Our Social Concerns Ministry Team is hosting a 5th Sunday Potluck Brunch on **Sunday, March 29**. Families are asked to bring a potluck brunch item to share as we gather in the LEC following worship for food and fellowship. There will be no Sunday school that day.



ATTN: THRIVENT MEMBERS

Don't forget to direct 2025 Choice Dollars® by March 31 at thrivent.com/thriventchoice.

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 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 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

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 and/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.

Name: _____

Number of Lilies: _____

In Honor or Memory of: _____

(Please circle one)

Paid: _____

Holy Week for Faith Lutheran Church



March 29, 2026

Worship Service

9:00 am

Faith Lutheran Church

Procession of the Palms and
Special Music

Maundy Thursday Service



With Holy Communion

Faith Lutheran Church and **First Methodist Church** of Seguin are joyfully partnering for Holy Week!

April 2, 2026

7:00 pm @ **Faith Lutheran**
Pastor Ray Perales of **First Methodist**
will bring the evening's message.

In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." 1 Corinthians 11:25

Good Friday

April 3, 2025

7:00 pm



We will worship with our brothers and sisters in Christ at **First Methodist Church**, 710 N. Austin St., where **Pastor Jeremy Pedersen** will deliver the sermon for us.

EASTER SUNDAY

April 5, 2026

Faith Lutheran

7:00 am

Sunrise Service
on the front lawn.

9:00 am

Traditional Worship Service



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