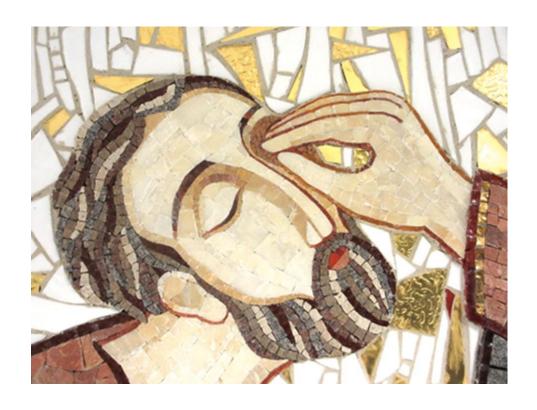
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# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

# STATEMENT OF WELCOME

We, the community of First Lutheran Church of Bothell, proclaim the message that the grace of our Lord is infinitely inclusive and that everyone is welcome. We believe that Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness in a world of alienation and brokenness.

As a Reconciling in Christ congregation and as disciples of Christ seeking justice and reconciliation among all peoples, we at First Lutheran Church welcome all into the fullness of God's love. We welcome everyone, without exception and regardless of sex, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical and mental ability, age, or station in life. We recognize that each person is a unique creation of God, and through grace, a child of God.

All are welcome at First Lutheran.

All are welcome to worship, to hear the Good News, to receive the sacraments, and to share in fellowship and service. As members of First Lutheran Church, we pledge ourselves and our congregation to exercise our faith in Christ, treasuring one another's similarities while embracing our Godgiven differences. We pledge that we will strive to live as a reconciling people, in our life together and in our outreach to the world.

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# **WORSHIP NOTES**

- + Please sign the white card in the pew rack and hand it to an usher on your way forward for Holy Communion.
- + The service is printed in this bulletin. Some hymns are located in the red hymn book.
- + Hearing enhancement receivers, large print bulletins are available. Feel free to ask an usher for assistance.
- Our expectation is that children will be in worship. We understand, though, that there are times when your wiggly ones need a distraction. There is a "Pray Space" under the stairs in the inner narthex with soft toys and books. If you desire the nursery ask an usher for directions.
- + Public Wi-Fi password: MartyLuther.
- + If you would like to have a digital copy of the bulletin, go to our website and download the PDF. www.flcbothell.org

Assisting With Today's Service:			
Presiding Minister	Rev. Tor K. Berg	Ushers	Chris Burns & Chris Cardwell
Music Director	Lucy Kay Osborne	Communion Assistants	Mary Cardwell and Nancy & Neil McGee
Lector	Mark Bowers	Sound Tech	Terry Barker
Acolyte	Audrey Busch & Bryn Faubion	Greeter	Paul Anderson
Cantor	Stephanie Conroy		

#### **GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE: Beautiful Savior (R. Hobby)

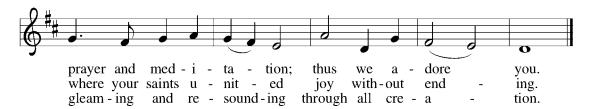
# WELCOME

ENTRANCE HYMN: Lord God, We Praise You (ELW 558)



- 1 Lord God, we praise you, now the night is o ver, ac tive and
- 2 Mon-arch of all things, fit us for your man sions; ban ish our
- 3 All ho ly Fa ther, Son, and e qual Spir it, Trin i ty



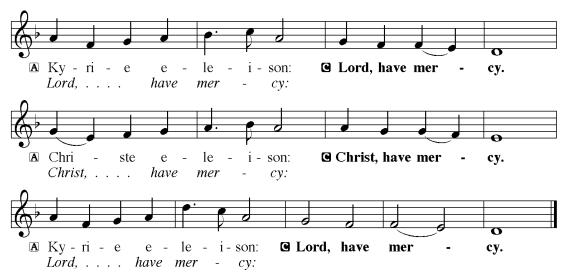


# **GREETING**

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

And also with you.

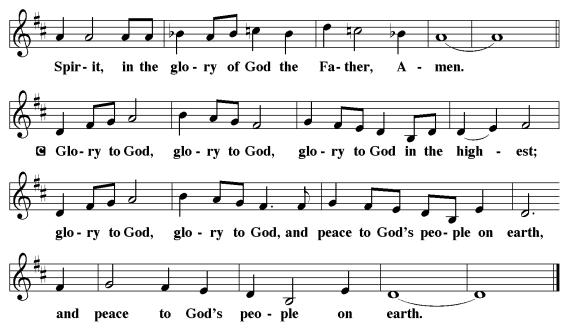
# **KYRIE**



# **HYMN OF PRAISE**







### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

God of miracles, sometimes we are slow to believe in your power, even when your miracles occur all around us each and every day. Open our eyes to see and our hearts to believe. Amen.

ANTHEM: There Is A Balm In Gilead (L. Larson)

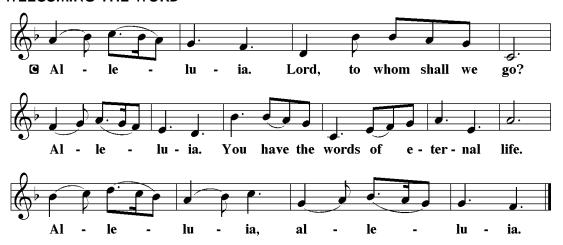
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WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

# WELCOMING THE WORD



### THE WORD: John 9:1-41

<sup>1</sup>As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup>His disciples asked him. "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. 4We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. <sup>5</sup>As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, <sup>7</sup>saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. 8The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." <sup>10</sup>But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" <sup>11</sup>He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." <sup>12</sup>They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

<sup>13</sup>They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. <sup>14</sup>Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. <sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." <sup>16</sup>Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?"

And they were divided. <sup>17</sup>So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." <sup>18</sup>The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight <sup>19</sup> and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" <sup>20</sup>His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind: <sup>21</sup>but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." <sup>22</sup>His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. <sup>23</sup>Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."  $^{24}$ So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." <sup>25</sup>He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." <sup>26</sup>They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" <sup>27</sup>He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" <sup>28</sup>Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. <sup>29</sup>We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." <sup>30</sup>The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. <sup>31</sup>We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. <sup>32</sup>Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. 33If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." 34They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

<sup>35</sup>Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" <sup>36</sup>He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." <sup>37</sup>Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." <sup>38</sup>He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." <sup>40</sup>Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" <sup>41</sup>Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains.

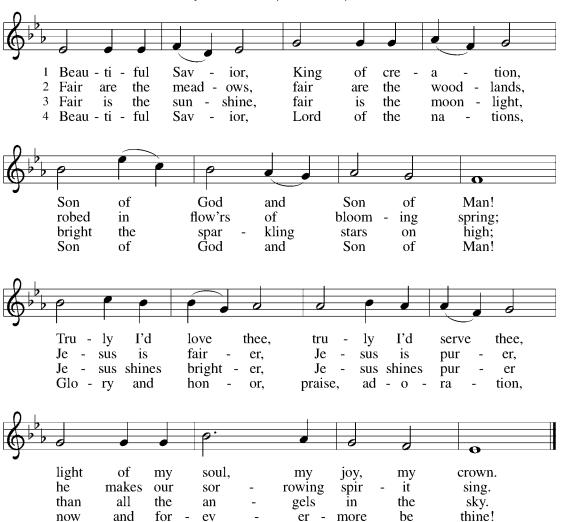
Word of God.

Word of Life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON: Roger Steinke, Director of REACH Ministries

**SERMON** 

# HYMN OF THE DAY: Beautiful Savior (ELW 838)



# **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen

# ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-examination.

Loving God,

we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly; we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know; we have thought more about ourselves than others; we have thought less of ourselves than we ought. Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.

Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

#### THE PRAYERS

Confident that God our light and our salvation hears us when we pray, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

For the ministry of the gospel proclaimed in word and deed, for congregations near and far, and for all who show the face of Christ throughout the world, let us pray.

# Have mercy, O God.

For the well-being of creation, for plants and animals, seas and skies, and creatures seen and unseen, that all may be guided by your Holy Spirit to be stewards of our earth, let us pray.

# Have mercy, O God.

For firefighters and police officers, attorneys and advocates, civil servants and corporate executives, and leaders of governments, that through their insight and patience, peace and justice prevail throughout the world (*especially*), let us pray.

# Have mercy, O God.

For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially Elodie and Brian, that as Christ was transfigured on the mountaintop, sickness will be turned into health, loneliness into companionship, bereavement into consolation, and suffering into assurance, let us pray.

# Have mercy, O God.

For companions who accompany us on our journeys through life, for this community of faith that supports us, and for guidance during difficult times, that we see the glory of God revealed around us, let us pray.

# Have mercy, O God.

For whom do the people pray?

In thanksgiving for the faithful departed who now rest from their earthly pilgrimage, that their lives of service and prayer inspire us in our days, let us pray.

# Have mercy, O God.

Merciful God, you hear our prayers even before we speak them. Receive them for the sake of the one through whom you have revealed your goodness, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

# Amen.

# **PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

# **MEAL**

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY: Oh, Wondrous Image, Vision Fair, Deo Gracias

# PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS



# OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful God, receive the gifts we bring, our selves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

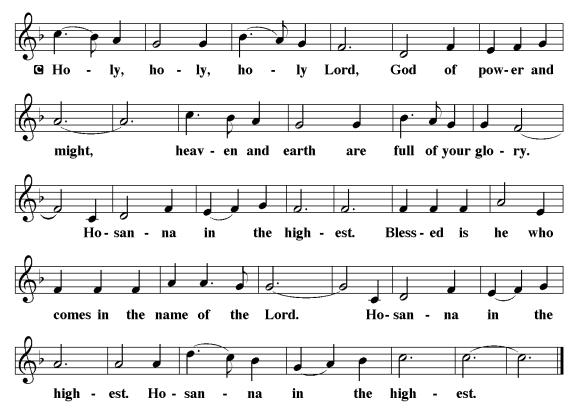
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### **PREFACE**

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# **SANCTUS**



#### GREAT THANKSGIVING

Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all. By your powerful word you created all things. Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations. Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed ... Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup ... Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son. Bless our Eucharistic Ministers who bring this food to our church family who cannot be here. May their presence be a sign of your love.

Through Christ all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen

# LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

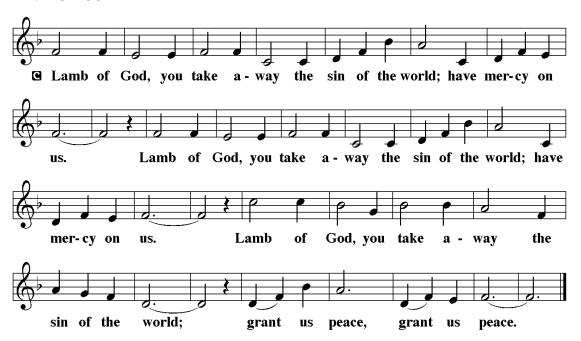
now and forever. Amen.

**COMMUNION:** We will receive the body of Christ as gluten-free bread with these or similar words: The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ will be received as either red wine or white grape juice with these or similar words: The blood of Christ, shed for you.

WHO MAY COMMUNE? All are welcome at the Lord's Table. It is a free gift given to all for the forgiveness of sins. The words "for you" really mean FOR YOU! Children may commune at the discretion of their parents. If you wish to receive a blessing: cross your arms over your chest as a sign for the communion assistants.

DIRECTIONS FOR COMMUNION: Please come forward by the center aisle at the direction of the ushers to receive the sacrament and return to your seat down the side aisle. Please register each person taking communion on a pew card.

# LAMB OF GOD



# **COMMUNION HYMNS:**

How Good, Lord, to Be Here! (ELW 315)
I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (ELW 815)

# **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

O Morning Star, fair and bright, you have refreshed us again with heavenly food. You are our dearest treasure. Go with us now—today, tomorrow, every day—that we tell the story of your never-ending love and sing your praise both now and forever. Amen.

#### **SENDING**

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **BLESSING**

The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

Amen.

# SENDING HYMN: Go, My Children, with My Blessing (ELW 543)







In my love's bap-tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er. Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry. Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com-fort stilled you.



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Jesus On the Mountain Peak (M. Sedio)

# February 18, 2018 First Sunday in Lent John 11:1-44 The Raising of Lazurus

February 4, 2018 Attendance: 197

General Offerings: \$12,593 Mortgage Fund: \$1,520

**Amount needed per Sunday:** 

**General Offerings:** \$9,038 **Mortgage Fund:** \$1,098

E-Giving Offering cards are available for you to drop in the plate if you give electronically. To give now, scan the code to the right.



# What is the "Offering?"

"Offerings" in the church service is understood to consist of the bread and the wine for the Lord's Supper. Offerings have grown to include the goods and the money we give to the Church to assist in its mission and to provide for the assistance of the needy. The act of bringing our gifts of money to the altar helps keep us mindful that we are now sharing in the work of bringing God's redeeming love to all people.

# **Eucharistic Ministry**

Every Sunday there are several wooden boxes on the altar. These boxes are our communion kits for our Eucharistic Ministry Team. This team is made up of members of the congregation who take Holy Communion to our shut-ins, those in the hospital and others upon request. They go out two by two, just as Jesus sent his disciples. They pray and bring comfort to those who cannot be with their worshipping community of faith.

#### IN OUR PRAYERS.

#### **Our Ministry Partners:**

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church, Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services, Lutheran Counseling Network, Lutheran World Relief

#### Those living with cancer:

Paul Aldrich (Lageson Family friend), Bill Beasley (Russel's brother-in-law); Barbara Bastin (Clint Bastin's mother), Debbie Bell (Renee Markert's cousin), Neal Beachinor (Paul Desilet's uncle), Larry & Marcie Clure (Dan & Sandy Hendricks' friend), Kim Coleman (Kris Linderoth's friend), Joyce Daily (David Osborne's aunt), Janice Davidson (Sandy Flying Cloud's friend), Bob Davis (Curcio family friend), Patricia Dwonch (Stephanie Almeida's aunt), Mikee Epply (Elodie Ragan's friend), Mason Gordon (Curcio Family friend), Cami Grillo (member), Edith Holbrook (member), Darryl Lageson (member), Tom McMaster (Dawn Bastin's father), Mark Nesse (Darci Desilet's stepfather), Susan Oja (Cathy Tanner's friend), Pam (Melanie Veazey's cousin), Kenneth Rapp (Loretta Rapp's son), Marvin Richter (Renee Markert's father), Richard Robilard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Robin (Sherrill and Larry Baker's acquaintance), Audrey Sheffler (Sherrill Baker's friend), Jen Shirley (Curcio family friend), Sylvia Stevens (wife of Steve Stevens and Bob Berg's friend), Sue (Paula Glandon's friend), Mary Beth Torgerson (Cathy Tanner's friend), Roger Tuck (Michelle Tuck's brother-in-law), Kip Van Alstine (Paul Desilet's uncle), Joanne Wejak (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law) Danna White (Cathy Tanner's friend), and Michael Wilson (Vicki Kastning's friend).

#### Those who are ill, have an injury or who are recovering from surgery:

John Anderson (former member), Peter Barnard (Pastor Berg's friend), Brian (Kimi & Sue Toyoda's friend), Cathy Edwards (member), Nancy Graumlich (member), Elodie Ragan (member), Jenny Robinson (Kathy Chester's cousin), Cristofer Whipple (Richard & Carolyn Whipple's son) & Connie Wolter (member).

#### Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Margie Bannister (member), Perdy Carlson (member), Phyllis Enger (member), Ardyce Johnson (member), Arlene O'Neall (Ruth & Mark Neitzel's friend), Lillian & Lawrence Romaniuk (Leon Romaniuk's parents), Eleanor Simonsen (Lisa Graumlich's mother-in-law), Joyce Sullivan (member), Fran Tazuma (member), Sigrid & Manfred Thode (Carsten Thode's parents), & Phyllis Watters (member).

#### Please remember to pray for peace in these war torn areas:

Israel/Palestine, Syria, Afghanistan, North Korea, Somalia and Iraq.

#### Those Serving Our Country:

AIR FORCE: Tyler Ripley (Jeanne Koruga's nephew) and Erin Siebert (Linda & Joe Siebert's daughter)
ARMY: Shaun Cunningham (Cris Sherman's son-in-law), Lucas Peters (Jim & Vernita Steege's grandson),
Asis Montalvo (Adjorlolo family friend)

MARINES: James Bacon (Jeanne Koruga's friend) and Olav Wampler (Elizabeth & Randall Wampler's son) NAVY: Karl Krueger (Karin Ulvin's husband), Kelsey Schunk (Jack Schunk's granddaughter) & Kyle Warner(Karen and Paul Gabrielsen's grandson)

We are honored to be able to pray for your family members and close friends in need. Our policy is to publish immediate concerns for 2 weeks, unless we hear from you that an illness or situation is ongoing.

#### INFORMATION For the Week!

#### Sunday, February 11 Transfiguration of Our Lord

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour

Living Truth Bible Study

10:00 am Ensemble Rehearsal

11:00 am Worship

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship

12:30 pm Living Truth Lunch

3:45 pm Annual Youth Auction—All are welcome!

#### Monday, February 12

#### Tuesday, February 13

9:30 am Lectionary — Meet in the library with Pastor Berg, to study next Sunday's Bible text. All are

welcome!

11:00 am Staff Meeting6:00 pm Choir Potluck7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

#### Wednesday, February 14

9:15 am Preschool Chapel 10:00 am Living Truth Fellowship

Worship Team Meeting

Ash Wednesday Worship

1:00 pm Finance Committee
2:00 am Preschool Chapel

7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Worship

#### Thursday, February 15

12:00 pm

9:00 am Quilters

9:15 am Preschool Chapel 12:30 pm Preschool Chapel

#### <u>Friday, February 16</u> Pastor Berg's Sabbath

12:00 All Seasons Lunch

#### Saturday, February 17

9:00 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

1:00 pm Lenten Movie Viewing4:00 pm Living Truth Gathering6:00 pm Lenten Movie Viewing

#### Sunday, February 18 First Sunday in Lent

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour

Living Truth Bible Study

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11:00 am Worship

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship

12:30 pm Living Truth is hosting a Chinese New Year Celebration—All are welcome!