March 20, 2016 Palm Sunday 8:30 &11:00 AM





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 God-given 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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NOTES FOR WORSHIP

- + Please sign the white card in the pew rack and hand it to an usher on your way forward for Holy Communion.
- + The entire service is printed in this bulletin. Some hymns are located in the red hymn book.
- + Hearing enhancement receivers, large print bulletins, and bulletins for children are available. Feel free to ask an usher for assistance.
- + Though we love having children be a part of our worshipping community, we know that you may wish to have your child in the nursery. Please ask an usher for directions to the nursery.
- + 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

GATHERING

We gather in the narthex to participate in the remembrance march of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

GATHERING ACCLAMATION

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL:

The holy gospel according to Mark. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples ²and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. ³If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately." ⁴They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" ⁶They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. ⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

¹¹Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

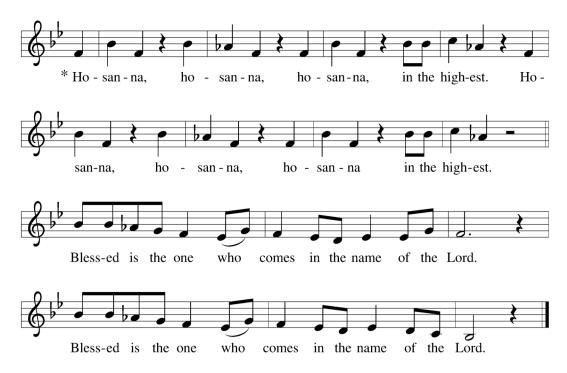
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

BLESSING OF PALMS

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** **PROCESSION:** Hosanna! (Palm Procession Acclamation sung repeatedly until all have entered the sanctuary.)



*Leader and/or choir sings melody to begin the procession. Assembly joins in after one or several repetitions.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Righteous God, you brought your son Jesus into Jerusalem to show people the radical grace of your love. Show us this grace, and give us eyes to see your goodness. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE: All Glory, Laud, and Honor (ELW 344)



WORD

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

PSALM 124:

If the Lord had not been on our side, when enemies rose up against us, then would they have swallowed us up alive in their fierce anger toward us; then would the waters have overwhelmed us and the torrent gone over us; then would the raging waters have gone right over us. Blessed be the Lord who has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth. We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

GOSPEL ANTHEM: Les Rameaux (Hunter Kleinman, Trumpet; Lucy Kay Osborne, Piano)

GOSPEL: Mark 14:3-9

The holy gospel according to Mark. Glory to you, O Lord.

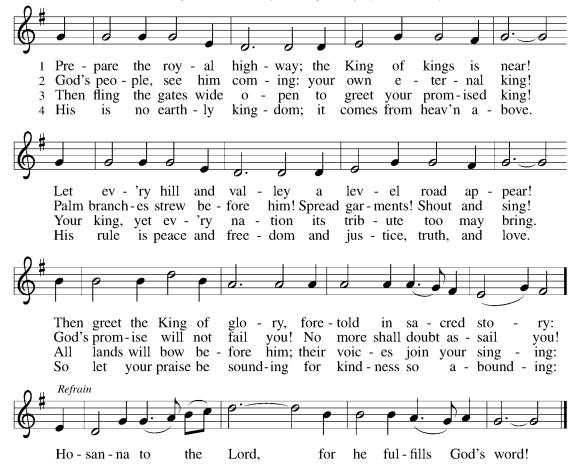
³While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. ⁴But some were there who said to one another in anger, "Why was the ointment wasted in this way? ⁵For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor." And they scolded her. ⁶But Jesus said, "Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. ⁷For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. ⁸She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. ⁹Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her."

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

ANTHEM: 8:30 Antiphonal Hosanna (Sanctuary Choir) 11:00 Hosanna! Come And Deliver (Ensemble)

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: Prepare the Royal Highway (ELW 264)



APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

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,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Hearing the call to return to the Lord, let us join the whole people of God in prayer for all who cry out in pain and in hope.

Be with all who wave palm branches and walk the road to the cross. For the mission of the gospel where your church is forgotten, for disciples wrestling with betrayal, for all who seek the Lord, let us pray. Have mercy, O God.

Renew the waters of the earth and restore us to right relationship with all creation. For villages without access to clean water, for cities with an abundance, for flood lands and drought lands, let us pray. Have mercy, O God. End human trafficking in every nation. For children taken from their families, for men and women without hope, for governments and nonprofits seeking resolutions, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

Comfort the afflicted. For those imprisoned, for those waiting on death row, for all overwhelmed by sorrow, and for all who live with disease, chronic pain, and anxiety in this world, especially Carolyn, Judy and Marcia, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

Enrich the children and youth of our congregation with an abundance of your Spirit. For each child in our community, for parents and guardians, for confirmation mentors and faith formation leaders, let us pray. Have mercy, O God.

Sustain the weary. For all who mourn, for all who yearn to be with you in paradise, for funeral home staff, for hospital chaplains and grief counselors, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

To you, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your boundless mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

OFFERTORY: (8:30 am) O, Sacred Head, Now Wounded (Max Reger)

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Though your Son entered Jerusalem knowing what he would give over for our redeeming, he stilled offered to us love and life. Accept these feeble gifts to be used to share this story of sacrifice. Amen.

HOLY WEEK DIALOGUE: 1 Chronicles 13

O offspring of his servant Israel, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

He is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

Remember his covenant forever, the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations,

the covenant that he made with Abraham, his sworn promise to Isaac, which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant, saying,

"To you I will give the land of Canaan as your portion for an inheritance."

When they were few in number, of little account, and strangers in the land, he rebuked kings on their account, saying,

"Do not touch my anointed ones; do my prophets no harm."

Sing to the LORD, all the earth. Tell of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.

Worship the LORD in holy splendor;

tremble before him, all the earth.

The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved.

(11:00 am) They Crucified My Lord (Curtis Koger, Soloist)

THE BETRAYAL OF JESUS: Mark 14:10-64

Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. ¹¹When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

¹²On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" ¹³So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, ¹⁴and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' ¹⁵He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." ¹⁶So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

¹⁷When it was evening, he came with the twelve. ¹⁸And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." ¹⁹They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, "Surely, not I?" ²⁰He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. ²¹For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born." ²²While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." ²³Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. ²⁴He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. ²⁵Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

²⁶When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. ²⁷And Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters; for it is written,

'I will strike the shepherd,

and the sheep will be scattered.'

²⁸But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." ²⁹Peter said to him, "Even though all become deserters, I will not." ³⁰Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." ³¹But he said vehemently, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And all of them said the same.

³²They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." ³³He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. ³⁴And he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." ³⁵And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. ³⁶He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want." ³⁷He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? ³⁸Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." ³⁹And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. ⁴⁰And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. ⁴¹He came a third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴²Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

⁴³Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. ⁴⁴Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." ⁴⁵So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him. ⁴⁶Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. ⁴⁷But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. ⁴⁸Then Jesus said to them, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? ⁴⁹Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled." ⁵⁰All of them deserted him and fled.

⁵¹A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, ⁵²but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked. ⁵³They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. ⁵⁴Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. ⁵⁵Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. ⁵⁶For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. ⁵⁷Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, ⁵⁸We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.' ⁵⁹But even on this point their testimony did not agree. ⁶⁰Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" ⁶¹But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?" ⁶²Jesus said, "I am; and

'you will see the Son of Man

seated at the right hand of the Power,'

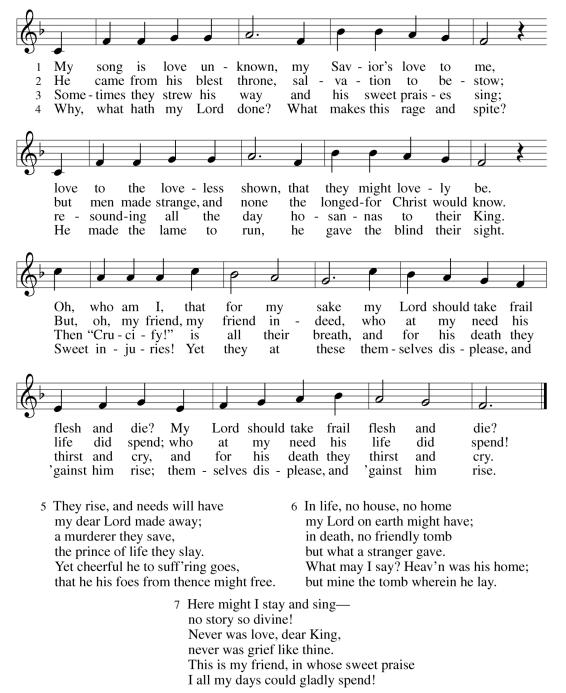
and 'coming with the clouds of heaven."

⁶³Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "Why do we still need witnesses? ⁶⁴You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?" All of them condemned him as deserving death.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SENDING SONG: My Song Is Love Unknown (LBW 94)



POSTLUDE: (8:30 AM) My Song Is Love Unknown (Ralph Vaughan Williams)

Assisting With Today's Service (8:30 AM) :		
Presiding Minister:	Rev. Tor Kristian Berg	
Organist:	Lucy Kay Osborne	
Choir Director:	Sarah Moran	
Lector:	Jan Anderson	
Acolyte:	Benjamin & Levi Schnarre	
Communion Assistants:	Tom Agnew, Jean Peterson and Jacky Schnarre	
Sound Tech:	Roger Wolter	
Ushers:	Dave Richards and Carsten Thode	
Greeter:		

Assisting With Today's Service (11 AM):	
Presiding Minister:	Rev. Tor K. Berg
Organist:	Lucy Kay Osborne
Ensemble Director:	Richard Edmonds
Piano:	June Condra
Flute:	Cheryl Miller
Percussion:	Eric Daane
Ensemble:	Kelsey Benfield, Scott Eiler, Rachel Jackman,
	Curtis Koger, Gordy Phelps, Donella Robbins
	Robyn Rydzak and Johannes Skjonsby
Lector:	Kendahl Adjorlolo
Acolyte:	Annika Daniel
Communion Assistants:	Emily Curcio & Marilyn Iverson
Sound Tech:	Andrew Phelps
Ushers:	Jose and Nickolas Alcaraz
Greeter:	Marilyn Iverson

THE DARKNESS CANNOT OVER COME THE LIGHT

You will notice our Christmas banner is up on the wall again. It seems out of place for the season of Lent. But, it is not. We are using it to mark our weekly progress through this penitential season. Every week the black shroud will be lowered to cover the white banner. It symbolizes the darkness attempting to snuff out the light. By Holy Week it will seem all is lost! (We know otherwise.)

What is the "Offering?"

"Offerings" in the church service were 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 the bread, the wine and our gifts of money to the altar help keep us mindful that we are now sharing in the work of bringing God's redeeming love to all people.

March 24, 2016 Maundy Thursday

Mark 14:22-42 Lord's Supper, Prayer in Gethsemane

March 25, 2016 Good Friday Mark 15:16-39 Crucifixion

March 27, 2016 Easter Sunday Mark 16:1-8 Resurrection

Weekly Financial Report March 13, 2016 Attendance: 172 General Offerings: \$7,937 Mortgage Fund: \$566

Amount needed per Sunday: General Offerings: \$9,038 Mortgage Fund: \$1,098

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IN OUR PRAYERS

Our Ministry Partners:

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church, Salt House, Morogoro Diocese and Bishop Mameo, Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services

Those living with cancer:

Allistaire Anderson (Paul Anderson's great-niece), Carol Angello (Bob & Phyllis Watters' friend), Neal Beachinor (Paul Desilet's uncle), Janet Berg (Pastor and Susan Berg's sister-in-law), Carolyn (Paula Glandon's friend), Lynn Crutcher (Busch family friend), Joyce Daily (David Osborne's aunt), Janice Davidson (Sandy Flying Cloud's friend), Pam Davis (Phelps family friend), Craig Decker (Judy & Dave Richards' friend), Maggie Dygert (Lageson family friend), Pih Foo (Lisa and Brad Hamilton's friend), Barb Grillo (Cami Grillo's daughter-in-law), Cami Grillo (member), Pam Hopper (Geri Crawford's friend), Phyllis Hoefer (Marlis Pehling's friend), Tao Hong (Joy Fu's husband), Mark Iverson (Marilyn Iverson's step-son), Bernie Jenkins (Jane King's friend), Edna Kastning (member), Lee Larson (Beth Phelps' cousin), Judy Loudenback (Susan Berg's friend), Marcella (Benson family friend), Pete Nettles (Sherrill & Larry Baker's friend), Bruce Niermeyer (Cook family friend), Nancy Olsen (Ruth Neitzel's friend), Stu Ramstad (Beth Phelps' cousin), Marvin Richter (Renee Markert's father), Audrey Sheffler (Sherrill Baker's friend), Jay Stoddard (Ray Thomas' brother-in-law), Chris Sullivan (Stephanie Almeida's friend), Dan Thomson (Jane King's friend), Yvonne Troedson (Carlene Russell's sister), Joanne Wejak (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law), Michael Wilson (Vicki Kastning's friend) and Darlene Zrust (Andrea Faubion's mother)

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

Kristen Arthur (Karen Thomas' niece), Diane Berg (member), Judy Cales (Cathy Tanner's friend), Joey Contreras (Pastor Berg's friend), Jacquie & Dick Craft (Thieme family friends), Darline (Paula Glandon's mother), Dave (Cathy Tanner's friend), Dee (Cathy Tanner's friend), Judy Edmonds (member), Marvin (Cathy Edwards' cousin), Jan Murphy (Sally Adams' sister), Ollie Polonsky (regular visitor), David Richards (member), Mary Riley (Donella Robbins' friend), Ryan (Cathy Edwards' grandson), Pat Schjelland (member), Mona Shogren (member), Roberto Tacchi (Beth Phelps' brother-in-law), Sebastian Tanner (Cathy Tanner's grandson) and Dan Terrie (Cathy Edwards' friend).

Special Prayers: Sheron (Annika Daniel's aunt), Marcia Stuckle (Jane King's friend)

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Jean and Walter Appleseth (Sally Adams' mother & father), Ruth Boyd (member), Perdy Carlson (member), Claire (Sue Ebert's mother), Phyllis Enger (member), Mavis Hatlen (Mark Hatlen's mother). Manda Hosheit (member), Ardyce Johnson (member), Carol Nelson (member), Virgina & Erik Olson (members), Arlene Smathers (Mona Shogren's mother), Joyce Sullivan (member), Fran Tazuma (member), Helen Young (member) and Roger Zimmerman (Connie Wolter's brother)

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

Israel/Palestine, Syria, Afghanistan, Iraq, and those nations battling Boko Haram.

Those Serving Our Country:

AIR FORCE: Tyler Ripley (grandson of Winnie Carman)

ARMY: Christopher Fjeld (Richard & Judy Edmonds' grandson) and Lucas Peters (Jim & Vernita Steege's grandson)

MARINES: James Bacon (Jeanne Koruga's friend), Olav Wampler (Elizabeth & Randall Wampler's son) and Luke Yandell (Annie McCracken's grandson)

NAVY: Tress Goodwin (Tom Larsen's cousin), Karl Krueger (Karin Ulvin's friend), Toby Pickens (Jean Pickens' grandson), Kelsey Schunk (Jack Schunk's granddaughter)

INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, March 20 Palm Sunday

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Christian Education Hour—*Sunday school by age; confirmation for grades* 7—9; high school class for grades 10—12; 2 adult education offerings.

11:00 am Worship

12:30 pmLiving Truth Worship7:00 pmChime Choir

Monday, March 21

Pastor Berg's Sabbath

Tuesday, March 22

9:30 am Lectionary—*Join Pastor Berg in the library to study next Sunday's Bible text. All are welcome!*

11 am

Wednesday, March 23

Staff Meeting

9:15 am	Preschool Chapel
12:15 pm	Preschool Chapel
7:00 pm	Healing Service
7:45 pm	Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, March 24 Maundy Thursday

9:00 am	Quilters
9:15 am	Preschool Chapel
12:00 pm	Worship
1:45 pm	Preschool Chapel
7:00 pm	Worship

Friday, March 25 Good Friday

7:00 pm Worship

Saturday, March 26

9:00 am Easter Breakfast Prep—Youth will be getting all the fixings ready for the Easter Sunday Breakfast!

Sunday, March 27 Easter Sunday

- 7:00 amWorship8:00Easter Breakfast8:30 amWorship9:45 amNo Christian Education
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- 11:00 am Worship
- 12:30 pm Living Truth Worship

SERMON NOTES

Interesting things I heard:

My favorite quote:

Main message:

At First Lutheran God calls us to:

CARE for one another in community,

GROW in faith and discipleship,

SERVE the needs of a broken world; and in all we do,

PROCLAIM the love and saving grace of Jesus Christ.