

Faith Lutheran Church

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Our Mission is to joyfully share God's love with all.

Sunday, April 13, 2025 Palm Sunday Service of Holy Communion

All are welcome to communion.

The trays contain red wine and in the center is white grape juice.
Gluten free wafers are available at the center ends of the communion railing. Place empty wine cups in the basket at opposite ends of the communion railing.

Watch us Live at: <https://faitheaton.com>. YouTube link is under "Live". Bulletins are also available under "Resources" on this site. You can watch any service at your leisure, not just at the appointed service time. The new YouTube link:
<https://www.youtube.com/@FaithLutheranChurchEaton/streams>

We Are *Grateful* for our Faith Volunteers!

We have many opportunities to serve at Faith: Please consider signing up to be Ushers, Scripture Readers, Refreshment providers or Power Point Operator. There is a Sign-up Sheet in the Narthex.

Faith Volunteers

	April 13	April 20
Announcements	Mary Jimenez	Mary Jimenez
Usher		
Scripture Reader	Chris/Jen Leffler	Jen Leffler
Communion Setup	Marty Miller	Penny Leffler
Communion Assistant		Chris Leffler
Refreshments		Easter Brunch 9 a.m.
Power Point		

PRELUDE: Victor Walters

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS ^ (^ Please Stand)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God's abiding love.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate One,

You are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world. We do not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free again and again. We squander the abundant gifts of the earth. Transform our lives and guide us again in the way of the cross. Amen.

Beloved in Christ, God's arms are always stretched open wide to welcome the wandering ones home. In Christ your sins are forgiven. You have a place in God's house forever.

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Luke 19:28-40

²⁸ After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹ When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'"

³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them.

³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on

it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road.
³⁷ As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸ saying,

“Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!”

³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” ⁴⁰ He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”

GATHERING SONG: All Glory, Laud and Honor ELW 344

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.**

GLORY TO GOD ELW - PAGE 213 (not hymn #)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴ The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he awakens—
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.

- ⁵ The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.
- ⁶ I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.
- ⁷ The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
⁸ he who vindicates me is near.
- Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
- ^{9a} It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

The Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God

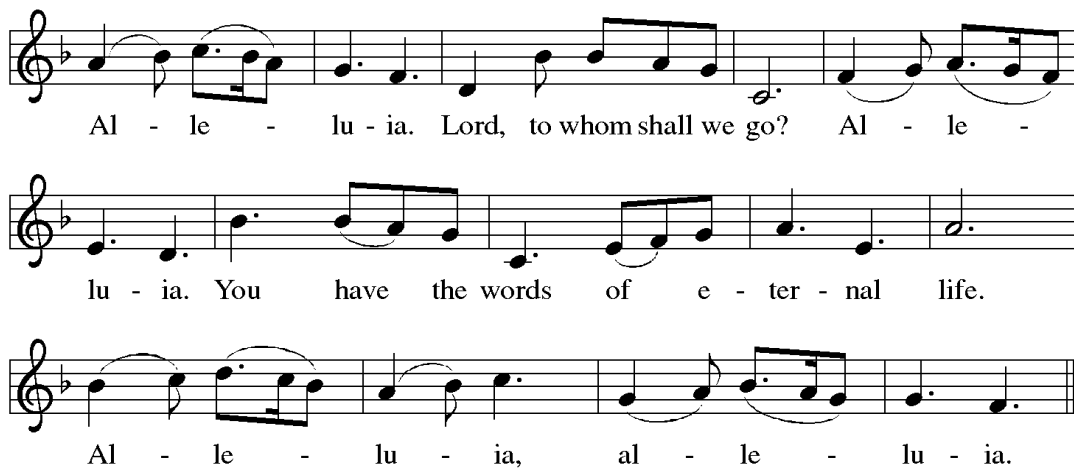
SECOND READING Philippians 2:5-11

- ⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
⁶ who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
⁷ but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
⁸ he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.
- ⁹ Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,

¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
¹¹ and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW – PAGE 216 (not hymn #)



GOSPEL Luke 22:14—23:56

The Gospel of Our Lord,
Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: My Song is Love Unknown LBW 94



1 My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to me,
2 He came from his blest throne, sal - va - tion to be - stow;
3 Some - times they strew his way and his sweet prais - es sing;
4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite?



love to the love - less shown, that they might love - ly be.
but men made strange, and none the longed-for Christ would know.
re - sound-ing all the day ho - san - nas to their King.
He made the lame to run, he gave the blind their sight.



Oh, who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail
But, oh, my friend, my friend in - deed, who at my need his
Then "Cru - ci - fy!" is all their breath, and for his death they
Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these them - selves dis - please, and



flesh and die? My Lord should take frail flesh and die?
life did spend; who at my need his life did spend!
thirst and cry, and for his death they thirst and cry.
'gainst him rise; them - selves dis - please, and 'gainst him rise.

CREED (Please Stand)

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

ELW 751

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer;
When I call, answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer;
Come and listen to me. *(repeat)*

Each Petition ends: God, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING SONG: Create in Me a Clean Heart ELW 186

OFFERING PRAYER [^] (Please stand)

Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING (Please Stand)

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

YOU ARE HOLY

ELW 525

You are holy, you are whole. You are always ever more
than we ever understand, You are always at hand.

Blessed are you coming near. Blessed are you coming here
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

You are holy, you are wholeness,
You are present, let the Cosmos praise you, Lord.
Sing Hosanna in the highest! Sing Hosanna,
Sing hosanna to our God.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

With thanksgiving we remember our Lord Jesus Christ:

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and
gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat;
this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to
drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you
and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance
of me.

Together as the body of Christ, we proclaim the mystery of our faith.
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.**

LAMB OF GOD

ELW 195

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who are hungry, come!
The feast of grace is spread.

(Please sit)

(Pastor offers Communion for those worshipping on-line)

COMMUNION HYMN: For the Bread Which You Have Broken ELW 494

COMMUNION BLESSING ^ (Please stand)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION:

God our tender parent, God the crucified one, God the reconciling Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG: The Old Rugged Cross

- 1 On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
the emblem of suffering and shame;
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best
for a world of lost sinners was slain.

Refrain

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
and exchange it some day for a crown.

- 2 Oh, that old rugged cross so despised by the world,
has a wondrous attraction for me;
for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above,
to bear it to dark Calvary. *Refrain*

- 3 In the old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,
a wondrous beauty I see;
for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died,
to pardon and sanctify me. *Refrain*

- 4 To the old rugged cross I will ever be true,
its shame and reproach gladly bear;
Christ will call me some day to my home far away,
where his glory forever I'll share. *Refrain*

DISMISSAL: Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE: Victor Walters

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### DECEMBER OFFERING:

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| April 6, 2025 Offering gratefully received: | \$ 2301.00 |
| Total Received for the month of April       | \$ 2301.00 |

## Birthdays this week:

April 14 Alexander Woodworth

April 18 Bonnie Graham

April 18 Thomas Sauer

## Anniversaries this Week:

April 17 Chris and Kelly Martin

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Study Ahead for April 20, 2025:

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Gospel: Luke 24:1-12

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## ***There is power in prayer!***

Looking around in our community, and in our world, we can see changes every day. There are so many positive changes that happen. It is through the power of prayer, through our conversations with God that always make opportunities happen. In this time of discernment, let us all continue to turn to God in prayer in calling a new pastor.

God is calling us to be creative and openminded in this time of discernment.

*Pastor Laurie O'Shea*

## ***Please keep in your prayers:***

- For those who are homebound, hospitalized or battling illness, especially: Pat Koplin, Tess Lindsley, Sharon (Lynette Deuschle's mother), Twila and Lupe at Benjamin Square, Rose Fousts, Laurie Frick, Peggy Thompson (Rose's SIL), Jack Cazer, and the Family and Friends of Barb Roosen.
- For our Church, Council, Call Committee and partnership with Shepherd of the Valley Church, our Synod and for a new Pastor.
- For our Community, our World and all their leaders.

## *Faith's Outreach Programs*

- \* **Meals on Wheels** – We need drivers to deliver to Eaton residents and food prep in Greeley store. Contact Nomie Ketterling (970-381-3417)
- \* **Greeley Interfaith Clothing bank** – Faith volunteers on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays. Clothing drop box is in the Narthex under the mailboxes. Contact Rose Thompson 970-590-5099 – **Clothing Bank desperately needs volunteers.**
- \* **Lutheran Episcopal Campus Ministry** – There is a need for volunteers to provide a meal for their Sunday evening dinner & student worships. Contact Jen Leffler, 970-301-3489
- \* **The Ault food pantry** – A donation box is located under the mailboxes in the Narthex.
- \* **Guadalupe Center** – Volunteers needed for Lunch/Dinner Service, Client-facing projects and at the Distribution Center. Contact Lindsey Schwartz at 970-616-8606.

## *Faith Facts*

### **Faith Calendar for April**

- April 7 – 9 a.m. – Men's Coffee, Prayer and Projects
- April 7 – 2 p.m. – Service at Benjamin Square
- April 9 – 1 p.m. – Ladies' Bible Study – "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore you from Psalm 148.
- April 9 – 6 p.m. Soup Supper / 6:30 p.m. – Lenten Service
- April 13 – 9:50 a.m. – Children's Sunday School
- April 14 – 9 a.m. – Men's Coffee, Prayer and Projects
- April 14 – 10 a.m. – Council Meeting
- April 17 – 6:30 p.m. – Maundy Thursday Service
- April 18 – 6:30 p.m. – Good Friday Service
- April 20 – 9 a.m. – Easter Brunch with Egg Hunt for Kids
- April 20 – 10 a.m. – Easter Service
- April 21 – 9 a.m. – Men's Coffee, Prayer and Projects
- April 27 – 9:50 a.m. – Children's Sunday School