



March 8, 2026
Third Sunday in Lent



MISSION STATEMENT
Connecting people to Jesus,
to God's Word, and each other.

Family of Faith Lutheran, LCMC
Worship Service 10:00 am March 8, 2026

+ denotes to stand, if able

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Let All Things Now Living

Traditional Welsh Tune
Arr. Don Wyrzten

+Hymn:

Great is Thy Faithfulness

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+Call to Worship

P: Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of God. Let us consider him who endured such opposition from sinful people so that we do not grow weary and lose heart.

C: Amen

+Confession of Sin and Absolution

P: Remember that our Lord Jesus Christ is able to sympathize with us in our weaknesses. In every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace in time of need.

C: God of Mercy,

You sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior, Amen.

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Receive the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

C: Thanks be to God!

Offering our Gifts to God:

P: With thankfulness we give in gratitude and joy.
With prayerfulness we give in sacrifice and love.
With hopefulness we give in commitment to God.
Let us pray...

C: When we were full of pride, you humbled yourself to live among us. When we were selfish, you poured yourself out for every need. When we were dead in our sin, you died to give us new life. You owe us nothing. We owe you everything. Our lives, our time, our talent, and our possessions belong to you. Receive now what is yours for the mission you have given us to your glory and honor. Amen

The Offertory: Doxology yellow insert

Special Music: *Be Thou My Vision* Traditional Irish Melody

We Hear God's Word:

1st Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

C: Thanks be to God

2nd Reading: Romans 5:1-8

C: Thanks be to God

+P: Gospel according to...

Luke 15:25-32

P: The Gospel of our Lord

**C: Glory to you O Lord
C: Praise to you O Christ**

Sermon: "The Lost Older Brother" Pastor Phil

+Hymn: *And Can it Be* yellow insert

+Holy Communion

Invitation

Words of Institution

Apostle's 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 into hell. 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**

Administration of the Sacrament

Communion Music:

Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C: Amen**

+We Pray: P: For... P: Lord in your mercy... **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: All these things and whatever else you would have us bring before you, by your Spirit we place them in your hands trusting in your grace through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who taught us to pray.

+The 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:

P: ¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

C: Amen.

+Hymn:

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

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P: Go in Peace – Serve the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Postlude:

Be Thou My Vision

Traditional Irish Melody