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Jesus

Servant Hero

WELCOME TO FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Inviting all People to Faith ... Come and Worship – Go and Work Pastor – Ben Unseth | Ministers – All

Phone: 712-580-4316 | 2912 Highway Blvd, P.O. Box 1322, Spencer, IA 51301 February 25, 2024 | Second Sunday in Lent Prelude

Welcome

Prayer

Opening Song - "This is Amazing Grace"

*Invocation

We meet in the strong name of our God;

We praise You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Litany

The Chosen One grew up in the LORD's presence like a tender green shoot, like a root in dry ground.

There was nothing beautiful or majestic about His appearance, nothing to attract us to Him.

He was despised and rejected – a man of sorrows, acquainted with deepest grief. We turned our backs on Him and looked the other way. He was despised, and we did not care.

Yet it was our weaknesses He carried; it was our sorrows that weighed Him down. And we thought His troubles were a punishment from God, a punishment for His own sins!

The Righteous Servant will make it possible for many to be counted righteous, **For He will bear all our sins.**

When He sees all that is accomplished by His anguish, **He will be satisfied.**

The Chosen One was pierced for our rebellion, crushed for our sins. He was beaten so we could be whole. He was whipped so we could be healed.

*Prayer of the Day

Dear Jesus, we have come together at Your invitation. Unplug us from worry and fear. Restore our wounded hearts. Reclaim our focus, our priorities, our schedule – to follow You. Speak to us now. Amen.

Song – "I Love to Tell the Story"

Old Testament Lesson - Isaiah 43:9-13

New Testament Lesson – Hebrews 9:11-15

Children's Message

Song - "Freely, Freely"

*Gospel - Mark 10:35-45

Sermon - "Jesus - Servant Hero"

Song - "Make Me a Servant"

*Affirmation of Faith – The Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the Church

Sharing of the Peace

*Lord's Prayer

*Blessing

*Closing Song - "Lord Reign in Me"

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand if you are able.

Welcome to Faith Lutheran!

Live Stream: <u>youtube.com/@flcspencer</u> Sundays at 9:00 a.m. Office hours: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Monday - Friday 712-580-4316 | office@flcspencer.org www.flcspencer.org | Instagram: @flcspencer Facebook: Faith Lutheran Church LCMC Watch us on SMU: Monday @ 8:30 p.m. and Tuesday @ 11:00 a.m. Text your giving to Faith at 712-214-4317

Welcome Visitors!

We are glad you are worshiping with us this morning. Please scan the QR code to help us connect with you, or find the



"Guest Connection Form" on the Welcome Center and leave the form in the Offering box.

Old Testament Lesson – Isaiah 43:9-13

⁹ All the nations gather together and the peoples assemble. Which of their gods foretold this and proclaimed to us the former things? Let them bring in their witnesses to prove they were right, so that others may hear and say, "It is true." ¹⁰ "You are My witnesses," declares the LORD, "and My servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe Me and understand that I am He. Before Me no god was formed, nor will there be one after Me. ¹¹ I, even I, am the LORD, and apart from Me there is no savior. ¹² I have revealed and saved and proclaimed – I, and not some foreign god among you. You are My witnesses," declares the LORD, "that I am God. ¹³ Yes, and from ancient days I am He. No one can deliver out of My hand. When I act, who can reverse it?"

New Testament Lesson - Hebrews 9:11-15

¹¹ But when Christ came as high priest of the good things that are now already here, He went through the greater and more perfect tabernacle that is not made with human hands, that is to say, is not a part of this creation. ¹² He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but He entered the Most Holy Place once for all by His own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. ¹³ The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean. ¹⁴ How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God! ¹⁵ For this reason Christ is the mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance – now that He has died as a ransom to set them free from the sins committed under the first covenant.

Gospel - Mark 10:35-45

³⁵ Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Him. "Teacher," they said, "we want You to do for us whatever we ask."

³⁶ "What do you want Me to do for you?" He asked. ³⁷ They replied, "Let one of us sit at Your right and the other at Your left in Your glory."

³⁸ "You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said. "Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?"

³⁹ "We can," they answered. Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, ⁴⁰ but to sit at My right or left is not for Me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared." ⁴¹ When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. ⁴² Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ⁴³ Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many."

POP-UP CHOIR SIGN-UP! We will be performing "Let the Redeemed of the Lord" by Michael Barrett for the Palm Sunday service on March 24. A sign-up sheet and details are on the Welcome Center or go to https://bit.ly/3INslWY or scan the QR code. Easter Garden Order deadline: March 10 Easter Lily - \$20.00 Pink or Blue Hydrangea – \$38.00 In very limited supply so order early! Mixed colors Hyacinths or Tulips \$19.00 each Order Form Hyacinth – \$19.00 _____ Tulips – \$19.00 Blue Hydrangea – \$38.00 _____ Pink Hydrangea – \$38.00 _____ Easter Lily – \$20.00 Total Dollars There is no color choice for the hyacinths or tulips and they are in very limited supply. Order early if you want one of these. Make checks payable to Faith Lutheran Church, earmark them "Easter Garden." Turn in your order form, with payment, to the green box on the Welcome Center. Name Phone _____ In memory of _____ In honor of



Prayer Chain

Please send your prayer request to Linda & Dave Susie at 712-363-1130 or <u>djslrs74@yahoo.com</u> or to Doreen Scribner at 712-262-3488 or <u>doreenscribner@outlook.com</u> To be placed on the Sunday morning Prayers of the Church, please contact the church office at 712-580-4316 or <u>office@flcspencer.org</u>

Free WiFi Connection

Network: FAITH_Guest Password: 7125804316

<u>Christian Counseling</u> <u>TEAM Restoration Ministries</u>

TEAM Restoration operates out of Faith. It is a Christian counseling service facilitating the healing and strengthening of marriages, families and individuals, both children & adults. For an appointment, please call 515-238-9010.

LifeKids Spencer

Cheryl Jackson, Director – 712-580-4316 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday An after-school program for children in KinderKids through 5th grade (no preschool age children) that follows Spencer's school calendar.

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Item of the Month ~ Dark colored Bath Towels

The towels are used in the personal care kits and should be a minimum of 20" x 40" and a maximum of 27" x 52". Donated items for both Lutheran World

Relief and Upper Des Moines Opportunity can be put in the yellow Missions box near the front doors.

Upper Des Moines Opportunity Food Pantry is in need of the following items for our community:

Cereal, oatmeal, canned fruit



Darrel Heckathorn
Eldren Holstad
Steve Oleson,
Jean Willey, Aaron Stykel

Anniversary Wishes Feb. 27 Gary and Connie Jenkins

2024 GENERAL OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE BUDGET: \$420,894.00

Date	January	Feb. 1-4	Feb. 5-11	Feb. 12-18	Feb. 19-25
Attendance	118	124	139	156	
Live Stream Computers	28	20	18	16	
General Giving		\$7,666.79	\$4,485.50	\$3,147.52	
Year to Date	\$37,212.36	\$45,037.10	\$49,634.63	\$52,933.15	

*Wednesday Lenten Offering Total: \$400.00 for Grand Avenue Community Outreach and Upper Des Moines Opportunity.

Thank you for generously supporting Faith Lutheran in 2024!

Worship partners for Sunday, Feb. 25, are ...

Altar Prep: Lora Johnson, Linda Conlon | Children's Message: Jalyce Storley Counters: Jolynne Eilts, Jolene Hansen | Fellowship: Dave & Linda Susie Greeters: Trisha Rohmiller, Kevin Swancutt | Instrumentalists: Elliana Antoine, Gloria McKenney, Jared Hansen, Anna Quanbeck | Message: Pastor Ben Unseth Prayers of the Church: Justin Spieker | Scripture Reader: Greg Lear Camera: Cindy Tigges | Computer: Kent Heazlett | Sound: Cheryl Stueven Lead Tech: Jacob Weeks | Vocalists: Jim & Joan Unrau, Kirby Fueston Worship Leader: Cryss Quanbeck

Worship partners for Wednesday Lenten Worship, Feb. 28, are ...

Altar Prep: Lora Johnson, Linda Conlon | Greeters: Otto Maaland, Maynard Tuttle Instrumentalist: Gloria McKenney | Message: Jacob Weeks Prayers of the Church & Worship Leader: Pastor Ben Unseth Scripture reader: Emerie Cooke | Camera: Brittany Spieker | Computer: Cassie Simcox Sound: Isaac Storley | Lead Tech: Jacob Weeks

Worship partners for Sunday, March 3, are ...

Altar Prep: Gene & Patty Englin | Children's Message: Communion Servers: Gary & Connie Jenkins | Counters: Jolene Hansen, Greg Lear Fellowship: Paul & Kris Behrens | Greeters: Shirley Kooker, Shirley Nelson Instrumentalists: Leah Kreutner, Gloria McKenney, Evan Storley, Anna Quanbeck Message: Pastor Ben | Prayer Intercessors: Bill Neiderheiser, Justin Spieker, Dennis & Sara DeWitt | Prayers of the Church: Dave Susie Scripture Reader: Lindsay Neiderheiser | Camera: Becky Simons Computer: Brett Eilts | Sound: Nathan McKenney | Lead Tech: Cheryl Stueven Vocalists: Cassie & Riley Simcox, Rachel & Annabelle Simington Worship Leader: Eric Tigges

This Week at Faith

Wednesday, February 28

11:30 a.m. Co	annunnty Lei	iten Lunch a	t Grace	United	
Ν	lethodist Ch	urch – 12:15	p.m. V	Vorship	Service

- 5:30 p.m. Potluck Supper
- 6:30 p.m. Lenten Midweek Service with Jacob Weeks
- 7:00 p.m. Confirmation High School Youth Group Worship Vocalist Rehearsal

<u>Thursday, February 22</u>

9:00 a.m. Thursday Morning Coffee Fellowship

Saturday, February 24

7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study

Please contact the church office (712-580-4316) for a current calendar of events. Or, check the online calendar at <u>www.flcspencer.org/our-calendar/</u>

