#### This Week's Schedule | All Are Welcome!

# Every Sunday - online worship & printable bulletins available at faithlilacway.org

(After the 9:30 service has streamed, there may be a slight delay)

#### Sunday, February 27

9:30 AM: Sunday Worship in Sanctuary, parking lot, and streaming live at faithlilacway.org.

10:30 AM: Lent begins this week on Ash Wednesday, March 2. Come and explore ways to use this season for time of spiritual and personal growth.

10:30 AM: Sunday school in classroom 218 (by the chapel)

### Ash Wednesday, March 2

3:30 PM: Confirmation in Library 7:00 PM: Ash Wednesday Service

### Thursday, March 3

2:00 – 3:30 PM: Hope from Loss: Wildfire Grief group at First Lutheran Church,7708 - 62nd Avenue North, Brooklyn Park, MN 55428

## Friday, March 4

Funeral for Laurie Schumacher: Visitation 1PM | Service 2PM

### Sunday, March 6

9:30 AM: Sunday Worship in Sanctuary, parking lot, and streaming live at faithlilacway.org.

10:30 AM: Adult Education class in the library. Learn Lectio Visio

10:30 AM: Sunday school in classroom 218 (by the chapel)

## Save Wednesday Nights! March 2 - April 6

Wednesday Midweek Lenten Services Shepherd Me O God at 7 PM

Explore Psalm 23 in a new way with preachers from First Lutheran, Family of God and Faith-Lilac Way. The 23rd Psalm is one of the best known pieces of scripture by Christians all over the world - for a reason. The ancient words of this song have a way of sticking with us, nestling into our bones, and singing us home. During the season of Lent, we invite you to pray it regularly, memorizing it if you haven't already. Together we will encounter a God who shepherds all of us, and discover in ourselves a need for the love of a shepherd to tend our needs.

#### **Covid Guidelines**

Following Jesus' call to love and care for the neighbor, especially those who are vulnerable:

- Masking is required for unvaccinated people
- Masking & physical distancing is strongly recommended for all.



#### **Welcome and Announcements**

See all our worship options and Covid safety protocols on page 8!

#### Gathering Song ELW #838

Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee, light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;

Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright the sparkling stars on high;

Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!

#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

#### Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

## Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.

Rejoice in this good news: In + Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

#### Amen.

#### **Hymn** Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## **Communion Blessing**

#### **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray. Gracious God,

we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

### **Sending Song** *ELW* #318:1, 3, 4

We sing our final Alleluias until Easter morning, putting them "away" for the season of Lent.

Alleluia, song of gladness, voice of joy that cannot die; alleluia is the anthem ever dear to choirs on high; in the house of God abiding thus they sing eternally.

Alleluia cannot always be our song while here below; alleluia our transgressions make us for a while forgo; for the solemn time is coming when our tears for sin shall flow.

In our hymns we pray with longing: Grant us, blessed Trinity, at the last to keep glad Easter with the faithful saints on high; there to you forever singing alleluia joyfully.

## **Blessing**

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, + bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever. **Amen.** 

## Dismissal

Go in grace, grow in faith, serve the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God!

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#### **Prayers of the People**

... God of grace, hear our prayer.

Since we have such great hope ... through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.** 

### **Offering**

We worship God by supporting our church and the mission we share. Our mission for the month of February is EveryMeal.

## Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God.

You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. Amen.

#### **Great Thanksgiving**

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.

## **Words of Institution**

## **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.

## **Sharing Communion**

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

### 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.

**Hymn of Praise** (based on Psalm 29)

Refrain

Angels on high and peoples on earth give glory to God, praise God's splendor and might.

Cantor: Refrain
All: Refrain

Cantor: Render all glory to the name of God;

give honor within the temple.

All: Refrain

Cantor: Over the waters, hear the voice of God resounding with thundering power.

All: Refrain

Cantor: And to the people God will give strength,

and blessings of grace and peace.

All: Refrain

## **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray. Holy God, mighty and immortal,

you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ, whose compassion illumines the world. Transform us into the likeness of the love of Christ, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Lesson** Exodus 34:29-35

A reading from Exodus, the thirty-fourth chapter.

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had

finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him. (NRSV)

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation ELW # 174

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel** *Luke* 9:28-43a

The holy gospel according to Luke, the ninth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. And all were astounded at the greatness of God. (NRSV)

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

**Sermon** Vicar Kyle Anderson

**Hymn of the Day** ELW #671

Refrain

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

Lord, the light of your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness, shining; Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us, set us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me: **Refrain** 

As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness, ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored here, may our lives tell your story. Shine on me, shine on me: **Refrain** 

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## **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.