



**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
JANUARY 24, 2021, 9:00 AM**

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church!



We gather this day to worship God together in a community of faith, to hear God's Word spoken, and to receive the Sacraments. From here, the Holy Spirit sends us out into the world as children of God called to share the Gospel and to care for our neighbors locally, nationally, and internationally.

Our Weekly Worship

Holy Communion is ordinarily celebrated every Sunday at 9:00 am. Everyone, including young children, is invited to participate fully and joyfully in the liturgy, the “work of the people”.

**The Order for Worship is found in this booklet
and in *ELW, Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (the *RED* book).**

P: Pastor / Presiding Minister **A:** Assisting Minister **C:** Congregation

** = please stand, if you are able*

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Service of the Word

GATHERING

* Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose voice is upon the waters,
whose mercy is poured out upon all people,
whose goodness cascades over all creation.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Holy God,

**C: you search us and know us.
You are acquainted with all our ways.
We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin—
our own sins and the broken systems that bind us.
We turn inward, failing to follow
your outward way of love.
We distrust those who are not like us.
We exploit the earth and its resources
and fail to consider generations to come.
Forgive us, gracious God,
for all we have done and left undone.
Even before the words are on our tongues,
you know them;
receive them in your divine mercy.
Amen.**

P: How vast is God's grace!
Through the power and promise of † Christ Jesus,
our sins are washed away

and we are claimed as God's own beloved.
Indeed, we are forgiven.
In the wake of God's forgiveness,
we are called to be the beloved community
living out Christ's justice
and the Spirit's reconciling peace.

C: Amen.

HYMN

ELW 720

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WORD

First Reading

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 62:5-12

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (spoken)

C: Alleluia. The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news. Alleluia.

Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

HYMN

ELW 798

Prayers of Intercession

P: Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

P: For the church throughout the world, for pastors and teachers, for deacons and deaconesses, and for musicians and servers, that all proclaim the good news of God's reconciling love, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

P: For skies and seas, for birds and fish, for favorable weather and clean water, and for the well-being of creation, that God raise up advocates and scientists to guide our care for all the earth, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

P: For those who provide leadership in our cities and around the world, for nonprofit and nongovernmental organizations, for planning commissions and homeless advocates, that God inspire all people in the just use of wealth, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

P: For those who are sick, distressed, or grieving; for the outcast and all who await relief (especially), that in the midst of suffering, God's peace and mercy surround them, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

P: For our congregation and community, for families big and small, and for the organizations that meet here during the week, that God's steadfast love serve as a model for all relationships, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: In thanksgiving for our ancestors in the faith whose lives serve as an example of gospel living, that they point us to salvation through Christ, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

P: Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

Greeting of Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

THANKSGIVING

Pre-Offering Message

Offering (Place your offerings in the offering plate on the table in the narthex)

HYMN

ELW 817

P: Let us pray. Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

C: we give you thanks and praise.

P: By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

C: We give you thanks and praise.

P: Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

C: we give you thanks and praise.

P: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.
You have set before us these gifts of your good creation.
Prepare us for your heavenly banquet,
nourish us with this rich food and drink,
and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world,
through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

SENDING

P: The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

C: Amen

P: The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: The God of all grace bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN

ELW 866

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY'S SERVICE will be led by Karen Carter.

MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS Newsletters are now available online! If you would like to receive a paper copy, please sign up on the sheet outside of the office. Newsletters can be found at <https://www.faithlutheran-threelakes.org/newsletters> or right on the front page of the website.

LIVE-STREAMING Did you know that when you're away, you can watch Pastor's sermon as it's delivered LIVE on Sunday morning? You can! Simply go to our church's website.

PASTORAL CARE The Reverend John Kuziej, pastor of Pioneer Lake Lutheran Church in Conover, has been assigned to be the administrative interim pastor of Faith Lutheran Church. While still serving Pioneer Lake Lutheran Church, Pastor Kuziej will make sure that worship is led here at Faith on Sunday morning. He will also be providing pastoral care, guidance, and leadership to this congregation during this time of transition. His office hours are Tuesdays, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. Please welcome him! Pastor Kuziej's contact information: phone – 715-479-4966, e-mail: pllc@frontier.com



PRAYERS

THOSE STRUGGLING WITH ILLNESS, PAIN, LOSS OF HEALTH IN MIND, BODY, AND SPIRIT: Kyle Smith, Paul Kragh, Monte James, Rick Jacobson, Ollie DeMuth, Megan Schiller, Bob Beyer, Ann Woelfel, John and Connie Lyons, Donna Weiss and family, Dave Lederhaus, the family of Dave Cyrtmus, Sonia and John Dionne, the family of Barb Hansen, the family of Jim Kotarski, the family of Charlotte Jensen, the family of Norm Frauenfelder, and Sue Sorg.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE ARMED FORCES: David Bredesen, Kaley Ebann, Tyler Kaltenberg, Nick, Brandy and Nathan Lamal, Jamie Madl, Jared Malda, Jon Priem, Brandon Paulick, Charlie and Will Starke, Nicole Young, and Alex Brendemihl.

OUR CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRIES:

Board of Worship Life (BOWL)

OUR PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL:

Northern Great Lakes Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Three Lakes Evangelical Free Church

Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church, Rhinelander, WI

Eastern Coastal Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania

OUR SISTER SYNOD MINISTRIES:

First English Lutheran Church, Baltimore, MD

St. John Lutheran Church, Baltimore, MD

Woodsboro Evangelical Lutheran Church, Woodsboro. MD

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES THIS MONTH:

Alycia Madl, Gretchen Peterson, Brooke Kowalski, and Miriam Bredesen

Serving in Worship

	Assisting Minister	Lay Reader	Altar Guild	Greeters	Music
Today	---	Rhonda Buss	---	Andersons	Rhonda Buss
1/31/21	---	Jan Harris	---	Andersons	Rhonda Buss

	Fellowship	Video streaming
Today	---	---
1/31/21	---	---

This Week at Faith Lutheran Church

Sunday, January 24 <i>Third Sunday After Epiphany</i>	9:00 am	
Monday, January 25		OFFICE CLOSED
Tuesday, January 26	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Pastor John's Office Hours
Sunday, January 31 <i>Fourth Sunday After Epiphany</i>	9:00 am	