

What's Happening This Week?

- *March 30 - Happy Birthday Paul Babb
- *March 30 - Food Shelf Door Offering / Donations
- *April 2 - Lenten Service @ 10AM (In the Fellowship Lounge)
- *April 2 - Elders Meeting @ 6:30PM
- *SAVE THE DATE! WOMO Salad Luncheon will be Saturday, May 3rd at 11AM**

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March 30, 2025

+ The Fourth Sunday in Lent +

Like a loving father welcoming a prodigal child home and inviting the other to join the feast, God welcomes us all. Let us celebrate such amazing grace.

As we continue through Lent — which means “spring” — prepare our heart-soil, dear Jesus, to sprout with new life and blossom in faith.
Amen.

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LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome to all our guests and visitors! Please share your contact information with us by signing our guest book, fellowship pad or a connection card. We don't share your information with anyone outside the church. Pastor Mike looks forward to meeting you and answering any questions you may have.

Sunday 3/23/25 Attendance: 39

Sunday 3/23/25 Offerings: \$ 3,100

Sunday 3/30/25 Counters: Linda Verkennes & Lindsey Eccles

Sunday 3/30/25 Greeters: Linda Verkennes

Altar Duty for March: Darryl & Shelley Frederickson

As Christians, we quietly and diligently go about the work to which the Lord has called us. "Make it your ambition to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business and to work with your hands"

(1 Thes. 4:11).

Divine Service Setting Three Page 184

Gathering for Worship

God Loved the World So That He Gave

Hymn 571

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Worshipping Together

Sharing the Scriptures

Linda Verkennes

Today Your Mercy Calls Us

Hymn 915

Sermon

Pastor Michael Michalk

Proclaiming The Word

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Soul, Adorn Yourself With Gladness

Hymn 636

Benediction

Announcements

Christ, The Life of All the Living

Hymn 420 sts. 1, 4, 7

Sharing The Scriptures

Linda Verkennes

Old Testament

Isaiah 12:1-6

¹You will say in that day: "I will give thanks to you, O LORD, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, that you might comfort me. ²"Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation." ³With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted. ⁵"Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. ⁶Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

Epistle

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Holy Gospel

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

¹Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear Jesus. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." ³So he told them this parable: . . . "There was a man who had two sons. ¹²And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them. ¹³Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. ¹⁴And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. ¹⁶And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything. ¹⁷"But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! ¹⁸I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. ¹⁹I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.'" ²⁰And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. ²¹And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' ²²But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. ²³And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. ²⁴For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate. ²⁵"Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. ²⁷And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.' ²⁸But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, ²⁹but he answered his father, 'Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!' ³¹And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³²It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"