

Third Sunday in Lent

March 8th, 2026

Order of Worship - 9:00am

Welcome

Ministry Highlights

Confession & Forgiveness

Gathering Song "Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty" ELW #777

Greeting

Kyrie & Hymn of Praise WOV Setting 4

Prayer of the Day

Psalm Psalm 95 (NRSV)

Gospel Acclamation WOV Setting 4

Gospel Reading Exodus 17: 1-7 (NRSV)

Sermon Water from Rocks Pastor Sue

Offering "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" ELW #611

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the People

Holy Communion "Lamb of God" WOV Setting 4

"As the Deer Pants for the Water" Renew! # 9

"O Bread of Life from Heaven" LBW #222

Post-Communion Prayer

Blessing

Sending Song "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" ELW #623

Dismissal

Pastor: Go in peace. Believe the good news.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Readings for March 15th, 2026 will be from John 9: 1-41 (Readers Theater) Key Verse John 9: 38

Our youth are serving Lenten meals at 5:30pm each Wednesday. Worship will follow at 6:30pm. Food donation sign-up boards are in the Narthex. Suggested donation of \$5 per person. Proceeds help support the youth of Faith Journey. Thank you for supporting our youth!

Pastor Sue will be out of the office March 16 – 20. Pastor Robert Frank, who serves at Zion Lutheran in Harwood, will be available in case of an emergency at 309.351.1849. Please keep Pastor Sue in your prayers during her travels.

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE & JANUARY FINANCIALS

Sunday March 1: 148

January Income: \$46, 240

January Operating Expenses: \$54, 968

Net Loss: \$8,728

Care & Share Offerings for March 2026 go to Path

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

WEEK of March 8th – March 15th, 2026

Today Daylight Savings Time Begins

	9:00am	Trad. Worship with Holy Communion
	10:00am	Launch Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall
	11:00am	Contemporary Service with Holy Communion
Monday	6:30pm	Boy Scout Troup #213
	8:00pm	AA - Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	10:00am	Common Lectionary Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
	5:30pm	Landscaping Team Meeting
	6:00pm	Cub Scout Pack #232
	6:30pm	Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday	9:00am	Piecemakers
	9:00am	Staff Meeting
	5:30pm	Lenten Supper served by the Youth in the Fellowship Hall
	6:30pm	Midweek Lenten Service
Thursday	1:00pm	Caring Ministry Team Meeting in the Fellowship Hall
	6:45pm	Dakota Vocal Union Practice
Saturday	10:00am	Intergenerational Communion Retreat
	10:00am	Spring Clean-up – 2 nd Day!
Sunday	9:00am	Trad. Worship with Holy Communion – Choir Sings
	10:00am	Launch Sunday School Palm Sunday Practice
	11:00am	Cont. Worship with Holy Communion

We are so happy you are with us today! If you are visitor, please stop by the Welcome Desk after worship & look for me. We have a gift for you.

Spring Cleaning of the Worship Center will continue next Saturday, March 14th from 10am – 2pm. Lunch will be provided. Thank you to everyone that came & helped yesterday! There's still time to write your ideas on the 'cleaning suggestions' sheet on the info desk. We hope to see you next Saturday. Families are invited & encouraged to participate! Remember, many hands make light work!!

What do we believe is happening when we take communion? All are welcome to attend the Intergenerational Communion Retreat on March 14th at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall. This retreat will provide instruction for those who have not yet received communion as well as provide a good 'refresher course' for those whose last communion instruction happened years ago. Everyone who attends will help bake gluten free communion bread that will be used on Maundy Thursday.

Many of you have noticed our alley is in rough shape. Until the snow melts & the city can grade it & put down gravel, we encourage you to bypass the alley. Please park in the west lot or park in the southeast lot & take the new sidewalk to the south entrance.

The Hospitality Team is looking for treat donations for Sunday morning coffee. They can be brought during regular office hours & placed in the freezer in the kitchen downstairs. Please sign-up to bring treats at the Information Desk.

Worship Assistants: 9:00am
Ushers: Keven Kercher Willie Schacher
Acolyte:
Reader: Mike Koesterman
Communion Assistants: Jenean Baumann Mike Koesterman
Sharon Schacher
Greeters: Jenean Baumann Paula Kaufman
Cantor: Jolanda Anderson

All are Welcome for a time of fellowship & study at the Revised Common Lectionary Bible Study. This Tuesday, March 10th at 10am, we will be screening the movie, *Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Spy, Assassin*, during the study time. All are Welcome! **We will NOT meet on Tuesday, March 17th as Pastor Sue will be out of town.**

Hospitalized or needing a Pastoral Visit: If you or a family member has been hospitalized, please contact Pastor Sue.

Prayer Concerns: If you or a family would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact the church office.

Bible Camp Registration is now open for youth 2nd grade – 12th grade. Scholarships are available so that all kids can afford to go to camp. See the Youth-Family Bulletin Board for more information.

Women's Night Out is Friday, April 17th! Our speaker will be Natalie Dawn Hanson. The title of her talk is "It's Personal." **Tickets are \$25 each or you can reserve a table of 7 for \$175. They will be on sale Sundays, March 15th, March 22nd, & April 12th.** Tickets will also be available in the church office during regular office hours. Please have exact change or a check. There are only 126 tickets available, so don't delay!

For some of our youth, going to Red Willow Bible Camp is their first big adventure away from home. Please support them by contributing to the Bible Camp Fund Drive. Scan the QR code on the screen – this is the same code as on the back of the pews. Select Rachel CT Bible Camp fund. Or you may write a check, place it in a white pew envelope & check Rachel CT Bible Camp fund on the front of the envelope. Thank you!

Faith Journey Kings Men Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast will be Sunday, March 29th from 8:00-12:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Gluten Free Pancakes will be available. Free-Will Offering Funds raised will go toward painting & reflooring the new Youth Room in the Education wing.

Is GriefShare for me? When a loved one dies, it can feel like you're alone. Few people understand how painful & isolating your grief can be. That doesn't mean you have to suffer alone. The next 13-week support group session will begin Thursday, March 12 at 6:30pm in a downstairs classroom. We are here for you.



Exodus 17:7

And he called the place Massa and Mariah because the Israelites quarreled and because they tested the LORD saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"



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WIFI Guest: Faith-Guest Password: FaithJourney

Ministers: All members of Faith Journey Lutheran Church

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Church Council President: Ali Farstad - Olson

Worship Sunday 9:00am Traditional (September – May)

11:00am Contemporary (September – May)

10:00am - Rotating Traditional & Contemporary (May 24 – Sept. 13)

6:30pm – Wednesdays (May 27 – Sept. 9)

Launch Family Sunday School for 4 years - Grade 5

Sunday, 10:00am - Fellowship Hall (During the school year)

Compass Confirmation for Grades 6 - 8

Wednesdays, 7:00pm - Worship Center (During the school year)

Find us on our Website: www.growinfaith.org

Instagram: [faithjourneyWF](https://www.instagram.com/faithjourneyWF)

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Church Office Hours: Monday – Thursday

9:00 – 4:00pm

Friday

9:00 – 12noon