

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP
MARCH 1, 2026
OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:00 A.M.
<http://oursaviorslaurel.org/live>**

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Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For failing to recognize your coming reign,

and for hindering the work of the Spirit: Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition,

and for disdainingly the living water Christ offers: Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For disregarding voices from the margin,

and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent,

and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

Hear the good news:
God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound.
Through faith, the free gift of God,
you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ.
In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead
dwells in you,
pours God's love into your hearts,
and gives you life and peace.
Amen.

Gathering Song Hymn #335: Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross

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.**

Prayer of the Day

O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as
your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your
life to all the world through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

Psalm: Psalm 121

¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?
² **My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth.**
³ The LORD will not let your foot be moved nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.
⁴ **Behold, the keeper of Israel will neither slumber nor sleep;**
⁵ the LORD watches over you; the LORD is your shade at your right hand;
⁶ **the sun will not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.**
⁷ The LORD will preserve you from all evil and will keep your life.
⁸ **The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth
forevermore.**

Second Reading: Romans 4:1-15, 13-17
Gospel Acclamation ACS #15

Thanks be to God

Gospel: John 3:1-17
The Gospel of Our Lord.

Glory to you, O Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Pastor Robert Leaverton

Hymn of the Day #442: All Who Believe and Are Baptized

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please greet one another with Christ's peace

Offertory Hymn #814: Take, O, Take Me As I Am

Offertory Prayer:

**O God, maker of heaven and earth,
your steadfast love embraces all creation.
You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth
and bring forth its bounty.
Through these gifts of bread and wine,
draw us into the death and life of your Son,
who calls us to bear witness to his saving work.
We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen.**

Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...

And also with you.

We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy, Holy, Holy: ACS #20

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.

Communion: ACS #25: Lamb of God

Communion Hymn #469: By Your Hand You Feed Your People

Post Communion Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen, keep and unite us in God's grace.

Prayer after communion

God of our salvation,

we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey.

Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Benediction

Receive the blessing of the holy Trinity:
God, who calls all things into existence,
Jesus Christ, who redeems us,
and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation,
✠ bless you now and always.

Amen.

Sending Hymn #638: Blessed Assurance

Dismissal

Go in peace. Believe the good news.

Thanks be to God.

Announcements

Tuesday	3/3	11:00 a.m.	Silver Crowns
Sunday	3/8	10:00 a.m.	Sunday Worship

Every **Monday at 1:00** we would like to invite anyone interested to come tie quilts for Luther World Relief.

The Men’s Lenten Breakfast will take place **at Grace Bible Church this Wednesday, Mar.4th @ 6:30am**. All other dates and locations are listed on the calendar in the Narthex.

This Wednesday, **Mar.4th @5:30pm**, Lent service will be held at Our Savior’s joined by the Methodist Church with soup/supper and service to follow. All other dates are listed on the calendar in the Narthex as well as a Soup/Dessert sign-up sheet.

Reminder, please bring cookies to the **Richarson Cottage at The Crossings** on **Mar.3rd @ 2:00pm**