

3rd Sunday of Lent
March 8, 2026
Oak Lake Lutheran Church, ELCA
Pastor Tim Ehling 320-226-7974

Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Invocation

L: We worship as we live in the strong name of God our Creator,
and of the Christ+, and of the Holy Spirit.

P: **Praise be to God, the Father of all mercies and the source
of all consolation.**

L: Seek the Lord while he may be found.

P: **Call upon him while he is near.**

L: Let the wicked abandon their ways,

P: **And the unrighteous their thoughts.**

L: Let them turn to the Lord for mercy,

P: **to our God, who is generous in forgiving.**

L: All you who are thirsty, come to the water. You who have no
money, come receive bread and eat. Come, without paying
and without cost, drink wine and milk.

**All: Praise be to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the
Father of all mercies, and the source of all consolation.
Amen**

Hymn “O Jesus Joy of Loving Hearts” Green 356

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray...

**C: Merciful God, you are our fountain of living water-- you
quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water
always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the
beauty of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now
and forever. Amen.**

Readings

First Lesson Exodus 17:1-7

Psalm 95 *read responsively* *Page 260 LBW*

Second Lesson Romans 5:1-11

Gospel John 4:5-42

Sermon

Hymn "My Life Flows On in Endless Song" Blue 781

Sharing the Peace

L: The peace of the Lord be with you.

P: And also with you. (please share a word of peace with one another)

Offering Invitation

Doxology

Green 565

Offering Prayer

L: Let us pray...

C: Gracious God, in the abundance of your steadfast love, you call us from death to life, from silence to speech, from idleness to action. With these gifts, we offer ourselves to you, and with the Church through all the ages we give thanks for your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Blessing May the Lord bless us and keep us, may the Lord make his face shine upon us and be gracious to us, may the Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace. Amen.

Closing Hymn "Blessed Assurance"

Blue 699

Sending

L: Go in peace. Love and Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

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Thank you to Anne Marie for leading our worship today and to Hila Dipman for providing music. Thanks to our readers: David/Laurie; Altar Guild: Laurie & Julie; Today's Audio/Video tech: Janet; Greeters, Coffee & treat providers as well as our dedicated kitchen helpers, you are all appreciated!

Announcements are on the back side of folded bulletin

Announcements

Today – Celebrate our “Food Pantry drive” with Soup and sandwiches following service today. **Bowling will follow the lunch, meet at the church by 1:30** carpool will leave from the church parking lot for Route 61” in Moose Lake. If you are an upcoming graduate (senior in high school this year) the church will pay for your games and shoes. Families and all ages are welcome. We have 4 lanes reserved **starting at 2 pm.** Cost is \$4 per game and \$3 for shoe rental. Let’s bowl together! Thanks to everyone who is donating goods for the Food Pantry.

Needed: volunteers to sign up for **Lent meal on March 18th** for Soups, Sandwiches and desserts at Oak Lake.

Want Thrivent to support an organization close to your heart? Eligible Thrivent clients can make it happen by directing Choice Dollars® to causes they care about. The deadline to direct 2025 funds is March 31, 2026. All Choice Dollars® are designated to Oak Lake church furnace fund.

Tuesday, March 10, 2026 from 4-7 PM at Hamlin-Hansen-Kosloski Funeral Home, Moose Lake there will be a visitation for Pastor Phil Swenson. Funeral services on Wednesday, March 11, at 11 am in Salem Lutheran Church, Mahtowa with a visitation one hour prior to the service. *Memorials will be used to help families attend area Bible Camps.*

March 11: Lent meal at 6 pm with service at 7 pm at Trinity

March 15: Property Meeting at 10 am; Worship at 11:15 am

March 17: WELCA Meets at 9:30 Quilting/Lunch/Bible Study and business meeting

March 17: Council Meeting at 6:30/Joint Council at 7:00

March 18: Lent meal at 6 pm with service at 7 pm at Oak Lake

March 20: First Day of Spring and April Newsletter Deadline

March 22: Worship at 11:15 am