

Lutheran Church of the Master

March 30, 2025 11:00 a.m.

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Announcements

(Bi-weekly) Midweek Communion 10:30 am Apr. 9, 23
(Monthly) Church Council Meetings Next regular meeting Wed. Apr. 9
(Monthly) Ladies Breakfast Sat. Apr. 12, 10 am at 525 Restaurant & Patio
(Weekly) Airdrie House of Prayer Wednesdays 12-1 pm St. Francis Anglican
(Weekly) Confirmation Class Wednesdays 4:30 on Zoom
(Weekly) Quilting Group Thursdays 9:30 am - noon

1. Lenten Services and Events

- **Thursdays** (Mar. 13 - Apr. 10) Soup suppers and faith talks 5:30 pm. Choir will meet at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome as we break bread together during Lent!
- **Wednesdays** (Mar. 12 - Apr. 16) 8:30 am morning scripture reading and discussion with Stewardship and Pastor Tim. Use the church zoom link on the [LCM website](#).
- **April 13** Palm Sunday Service 11 am
- **April 17** Maundy Thursday Service 7 pm
- **April 18** Good Friday Service 11am
- **April 20** Easter Sunday - Easter brunch at 9:30 am, Easter Service at 11 am

2. **Easter Lilies for Easter Sunday.** If you would like to purchase an Easter Lily to take home following service, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. \$21.00 each.

3. **10th Annual Kuriakos Gathers Together (KGT)** Sat. Apr. 26 at the Lacombe Memorial Centre. KGT is Camp Kuriakos' annual dinner, dance and silent auction fundraising event to support their programs and retreats. Tickets \$80/ adult or early bird price (before Mar. 31) of \$65. Further information and to purchase tickets can be found on their [website](#). Any questions, contact Greg/Velma Wray or Debbie Kemp.

4. **CLAY 2025** - Canadian Lutheran Anglican Youth Gathering in Saskatoon in August. See Pastor Tim for more information.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Greeting
Song of Confession: *Return and Renewal*..... LOB 3
Song of Mercy: *I Desire Mercy*..... LOB 6
Prayer of the Day
Children's Message
Hymn: *Come Thou Fount*..... #807
First Reading: Joshua 5:9-12
Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21
Gospel Acclamationp.205
Gospel Reading: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
Sermon
Hymn of the Day: *Our Father We Have Wandered*.....#606
Apostles Creedp.127
Prayers
Peace
Offering
Choir: *Be Everything*
The Great Thanksgivingp.206
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Lord's Prayerp.208
Distribution of Communion
Lamb of Godp.208
Hymns during Communion
Softly and Tenderly#608
Create In Me A Clean Heart#186
Table Blessing
Benediction
Announcements
Sending Hymn: *My Life Flows On*.....#763
Dismissal

Psalm 32

¹ Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

² **Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile! R**

³ While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

⁴ **For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer. R**

⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

⁶ **Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them. R**

⁷ You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

⁸ **"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye. R**

⁹ Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."

¹⁰ **Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD. R**

¹¹ Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; shout for joy, all who are true of heart. **R**

First Reading

Joshua 5:9-12

⁹ The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

¹⁰ While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. ¹¹ On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. ¹² The

manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

¹⁶ From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷ So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹ that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. ²⁰ So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

²¹ For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

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Parable of the prodigal father and repentant son.

Gospel

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

¹ Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] ² And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

³ So he told them this parable: ^{11b} "There was a man who had two sons. ¹² The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. ¹³ A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. ¹⁴ When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵ So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. ¹⁶ He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. ¹⁷ But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! ¹⁸ I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; ¹⁹ I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.' " ²⁰ So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. ²¹ Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' ²² But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe - the best one - and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³ And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; ²⁴ for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

²⁵ "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶ He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. ²⁷ He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' ²⁸ Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. ²⁹ But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰ But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' ³¹ Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³² But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.' "