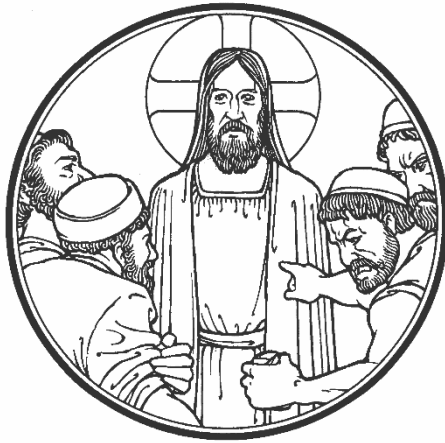


The Fifth Sunday in Lent Judica

April 6, 2025



**“Truly, truly, I say to you, if
anyone keeps my word, he will
never see death.”**

(John 8:51 ESV)

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Welcome to the Divine Service where the risen Christ comes into our midst to bring us the peace of His cross and empty tomb. We pray that the Lord would grant us His Holy Spirit that His Word would bear the fruits of faith in Christ and works of love toward our neighbor.

The Lord's Supper is a confession that we are united in holding to all the doctrines of God's Word. Those who do not know and hold to the doctrinal commitment of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are requested to attend the Adult Instruction Class for membership before communing at Faith Lutheran Church.

Jesus Is Our Redemption

In the temple Jesus said, "*If anyone keeps my word, he will never see death*" (John 8:51). For Jesus came to taste death for us—to drink the cup of suffering to the dregs in order that we might be released from its power. Clinging to His life-giving words, we are delivered from death's sting and its eternal judgment. Christ is our High Priest, who entered the Most Holy Place and with His own blood obtained everlasting redemption for His people (Heb. 9:11–15). He is the One who was before Abraham was, and yet is his descendant. He is the promised Son who carries the wood up the mountain for the sacrifice, who is bound and laid upon the altar of the cross. He is the ram who is offered in our place, who is willingly caught in the thicket of our sin, and who wears the crown of thorns upon His head (Gen. 22:1–14). Though Jesus is dishonored by the sons of the devil, He is vindicated by the Father through the cross.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please remember to silence your cell phones during the Divine Service.)

We rejoice this day that our Lord will graciously receive Lydia Layne Mallon into the body of Christ through the saving waters of Holy Baptism.

We rejoice to receive Joe Mallon into communicant fellowship this day through the Rite of Confirmation. May the Lord richly bless Joe and keep him in the true faith unto life everlasting.

Plan to join us for Midweek Vespers during the penitential season of Lent. A light potluck supper is available at 6:00 p.m. before the service begins at 7:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to help out the Mallon family by providing a meal as Brianna recovers from surgical delivery. You are encouraged to sign up using the link provided where you will find further information and options. The link to sign up is: <https://mealtrain.com/rl5n7w>.

Easter Lilies may be purchased from the Women of Wylie (WoW) to beautify the sanctuary on Easter Sunday and may be taken home after the service. They are \$15.00 each and checks should be made payable to Faith Lutheran Church with the memo: "WOW, Easter lily". Sign up today! The deadline to sign up is Sunday, April 13. Contact Sandra Traugott for questions or more information.

On Saturday, April 12th beginning at 9:30 a.m. we will have a church cleaning day for both the inside and outside of the church. This is a joint effort between the Board of Trustees and the Women of Wylie (WoW) and they will have a list of things to clean and tidy up. Everyone is encouraged to bring cleaning supplies as you are able. Please contact Tim Sheehan or Roberta Lowery if you have any questions regarding the cleaning. This is a great opportunity for both individuals and whole families to demonstrate good stewardship and care for our place of worship.

The Faith Lutheran High School Choir and Handbell Ensemble will present a concert of American music on Friday, April 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the school gym. From patriotic anthems and folk favorites to popular jazz hits and the songs of lonely cowboys, there's something for everyone!

The event will also feature a special “Salute to Armed Forces” piece honoring all branches of our military. Join us for an unforgettable evening of patriotic music! Dessert reception to follow.

Lord of Life is hosting a workshop on *The Fruit of the Spirit* for all Lutheran women in our area on April 26, with registration starting at 9:15am. This is an LWML event, but you don't have to be an active participant in LWML to enjoy this workshop with Bible study and fellowship. The website for the event is: planolutheran.com/rsvp and we would kindly ask all to RSVP by this afternoon, April 6. The cost-sharing for the event is \$12 and does include lunch.

As you plan your summer activities, please keep in mind Vacation Bible School at Faith Plano. VBS will be June 16 – 20 from 9:00 - 12:00 each day. Preschool - 6th grade students are invited to attend. Please prayerfully consider volunteering to help. Any questions please contact Mina McDonald at mmcdonald1219@gmail.com.

Educating a new generation of Lutherans... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent topics include: The 2025 Movie “Snow White,” The 1550 Magdeburg Confession, A Christian Response to Gender Ideology, The Importance of Palm Sunday, Roman Catholic Indulgences and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

OUR LIFE AS CHRISTIAN STEWARDS

Genesis 22:2 – “He said, ‘Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.’” It’s hard for us to even fathom a faith as strong as Abraham’s — he follows the Lord’s Word even when it seems impossibly hard. But he does so because he knows that the Lord only means to bless. What happened here to Abraham should be an encouragement for us: trust the Lord and keep His Word.

UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS

SUNDAY	<i>Fifth Sunday in Lent (Judica)</i>
<i>04/06/25</i>	9:30 AM – Divine Service 11:15 AM – Adult Bible Class and Sunday School 12:15 PM – Adult Instruction
TUESDAY	9:00 AM – Women's Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	6:00 PM – Potluck Supper 7:00 PM – Vespers
THURSDAY	10:30 AM – Men's Bible Study 7:00 PM – Church Council
FRIDAY	9:30 AM – Matins 10:15 AM – Confession and Absolution
SATURDAY	9:30 AM – Church Spring Cleaning
SUNDAY	<i>Palmarum – Palm Sunday</i>
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PRAYERS

- All those serving as missionaries around the world, especially Pastor Wildauer and Pastor Steele and their families.
- Lydia Layne Mallon who has been given the new birth of water and the Spirit that our Lord would keep her in the true faith and bring her safely to everlasting life.
- Joe Mallon who has made the good confession of faith and now receives Christ's Body and Blood with us.
- Gloria Lawrence who will be undergoing testing.
- Baptismal birthdays celebrated this week: Brandon Lowery, Cheryl Wildauer, Lucy Schwiesow.
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- Tom Kun who has retired from the Air Force. Thanks be to God for Tom's faithful service.

- Susan Dickson, Amanda Needham (Todd Hauth's sister), Rachel Rojas, and Mariah Scholz for protection of mother and child in pregnancy.
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues:
Dony Reaves, Connie Kimber, Tula Sheehan, Doug Drawe, Gary Sakko, Deanna, Dana Evans, Greg McClure, Georgette Walter, Dan Kostoff, Jill, Kristina Wishmeyer, Brandon Rhodes, Gaye, JE Purcell, Rush.
- Those struggling with other ongoing needs:
Frank and Antonia, Matt, Michael, Greg.

Assisting in the Divine Service Today:

Elder – James Rose

Altar: Gail Sellers

Organist: Nathan Leicht

3/30/25 General Fund Offerings received: \$3,725.60

Restricted Fund Offerings received: \$125.00

Weekly budget needed: \$4,642.80;

Budget year to date: **deficit: -\$4,226.63**

Calendar year to date: **deficit: -\$3,768.50**