

RADISSON-LANGHAM LUTHERAN PARISH

First Saskatchewan Lutheran Church
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St. Paul Lutheran Church
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FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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Greeting: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Prayer of the Day:

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalms 51:1-12

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:5-10

Holy Gospel: John 12:20-33

Sermon – “My Sheep Hear My Voice”

Prayers of Intercession:

Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need.

A Brief Silence

You wash us through and through and remember our sin no more. Make your church a community of forgiveness throughout the world. Give your people courage to forgive; through them show the

world new possibilities. Bless ministries of repentance and reconciliation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You fill the earth—from tiny grains of wheat to the mighty thunder—with your presence, and you call us to attend to your will for all creation. Grant weather that prepares the soil for seeds; protect all from violent storms, flooding and wildfires. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You promise to write your law on our hearts. Guide citizens throughout the world to shape communities that reflect your mercy, justice, and peace, and give them creativity to work for the welfare of all. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You sustain us with your bountiful Spirit. Restore the joy of all who need to know your presence: those who are lonely or feel unforgivable, those who need healing of mind or body, those who are dying and all who grieve, (especially...). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Jesus calls us to follow him in life and death. Empower this congregation in discipleship. Equip children and teachers in Sunday school, confirmation, and learning ministries. Give us your truth and wisdom and teach us to follow Jesus. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

In the cross of Christ, your name is glorified. We praise you for those who have given us words to worship you. With all those who have died in Christ, bring us into life everlasting. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord’s Prayer

Blessing: God bless us that we may be a blessing, in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity. **Amen.**

Fifth Sunday in Lent: God promises Jeremiah that a “new covenant” will be made in the future: a covenant that will allow all the people to know God by heart. The church sees this promise fulfilled in Christ, who draws all people to himself when he is lifted up on the cross. Our baptismal covenant draws us to God’s heart through Christ and draws God’s love and truth into our hearts. We join together in worship, sharing in word and song and leave strengthened to share God’s love with all the world.

Let us remember in our prayers: Walter Ewert, Alice Hamp, Andrew Nosterud, Shirley Neufeld, Ken Neufeld, Dawna Flath, Harry Meister, Darren Wilkie, Susan Wonko, Genie Thompson, Linda Hartshorn, Logan Kane, Roger Wilkie

For at-home worship services/devotions check out the following:

- Saskatoon Lutheran churches - view live-streamed or taped services each week:

<https://saskatoonelcic.com/>. A full list of churches with streamed services across Canada can be found here (including Pastor Wallace Bornhuse at All Saints Lutheran, Calgary, Rev. Rick Chappell at Trinity Lutheran, Westlock, AB, Intern Pastor Sharon Kane at Trinity Lutheran, Estevan): <https://elcic.ca/publichealth/livestreaming.cfm>

- Pastor Randy Fiege is on Facebook, [10:30a](#) from Sundre, AB

Kinasao Info:

- Kinasao's 2020 Annual General Meeting will take place on **Sunday, March 28, 2:00 pm via Zoom**. All are invited to attend to hear about the past year, and get caught up on exciting plans upcoming for 2021. Preregistration is required and available at [kinasao.ca](#).

- Registration is now open for July Day & Family Camps! Space is limited and filling quickly. Cabin rentals are available for those too far to commute for Day Camp. Check out the website for details!

First Sask giving can continue by:

- Envelopes can be mailed to: Roxanne Elke, P O Box 272, Grandora, Sask. S0K 1V0
- We also now take eTransfers, just make sure you put your envelope number in the message

portion as well as your intended disbursement of the funds. Send your eTransfers to: firstsasklutheranchurch@gmail.com

Note from Sask Synod & Bishop Sid:

Our long journey in pandemic days continues. With decreasing active case numbers and increasing vaccination numbers, we are hoping for more ‘normal’ days ahead. But we still have some months of ‘working it out’ ahead. During this time, I am offering an opportunity to be brought together in worship in a synod wide series of Holy Week services. I hope you can join us. Details on the services and the connecting links are at <https://sasksynod.ca/synod-wide-holy-week-services/>

The Saskatchewan Synod of the ELCIC
invites you to join Bishop Sid on a

Journey through Holy Week

March 31 st	7:00 p.m.	Holy Wednesday
April 1 st	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday
April 2 nd	7:00 p.m.	Good Friday
April 3 rd	7:00 p.m.	Easter Vigil

For those interested, visiting breakout rooms will follow worship on Wed. and Sat.

Join us on Zoom
Meeting ID: 843 1786 2145 Password: 306

Services will be virtual. People can join in individually or in their ‘bubbles’ at home, or could meet with a video screen in their church buildings (following Health Directives).

Services will include readings, music, visuals and enactments. For Maundy Thursday we will be offering virtual communion. Instructions for each service will be given as service begins, and will be distributed before the service on the Synod news through mailchimp.

Services can be accessed live each night at 7:00p through a Zoom link or the recording accessed the next day on YouTube.

Zoom link for all [Holy week services](#) (**Meeting ID:** 843 1786 2145, **Passcode:** 306.

YouTube links will be posted here following each service during Holy Week.

Easter Day option: For congregations who currently are without a pastor, a link to an Easter Day service will be offered. I will be preaching with the service provided by Our Savior’s, Regina and offered on their Zoom platform at 10:30a on Easter Day. That link will also be made available on the synod website. Peace, Bishop Sid

Happy Birthday this week: June Strand, Ashley Buchanan, Doreen Flath, Maxim Ready-Sherstobitoff, Randy Sanjenko

Next Sunday’s Readings: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Mar k 15:1-39 Scriptures taken from New Revised Standard Version