

**Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church
March 6, 2024 | 3rd Wednesday of Lent**

Welcome and Prayer

*Opening Song – “He Knows My Name”

*Litany of Loss *(adapted from God of This City, by Aaron Boyd)*

Loving God, we are not living the way You intended us to live.

Instead of living a life rooted in peace, charity, compassion and contentment, we live with loss.

We have lost love. | **We have lost hope.**

We have lost faith. | **We have lost mothers and fathers.**

We have lost children. | **We have lost husbands and wives.**

We have lost work. | **We have lost health.**

We have lost trust and security.

We have lost the dream of how our lives were supposed to be.

But, we know that Your steadfast love is offered despite our sinfulness.

We believe, Lord Jesus, that Your life, death, and resurrection open for us a better way to live – with clean hands and pure hearts.

We believe, Holy Spirit, that by Your presence and power we are renewed in faith and life. **Before you, O God, we stand, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*Prayer of the Evening

Most holy and most loving God, by Your Spirit unclutter our hearts and minds, and enlarge within us an honored place for Christ. Expose our choices and activities that hinder Your work in our hearts. When discipleship proves costly, help us to embrace sacrifice as readily as we accept our many blessings. Amen.

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*Gospel – Luke 12:22-32

Message – “God Loves You and has a Plan for Your Life” by Dave Susie

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*Closing Song – “Goodness of God”

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