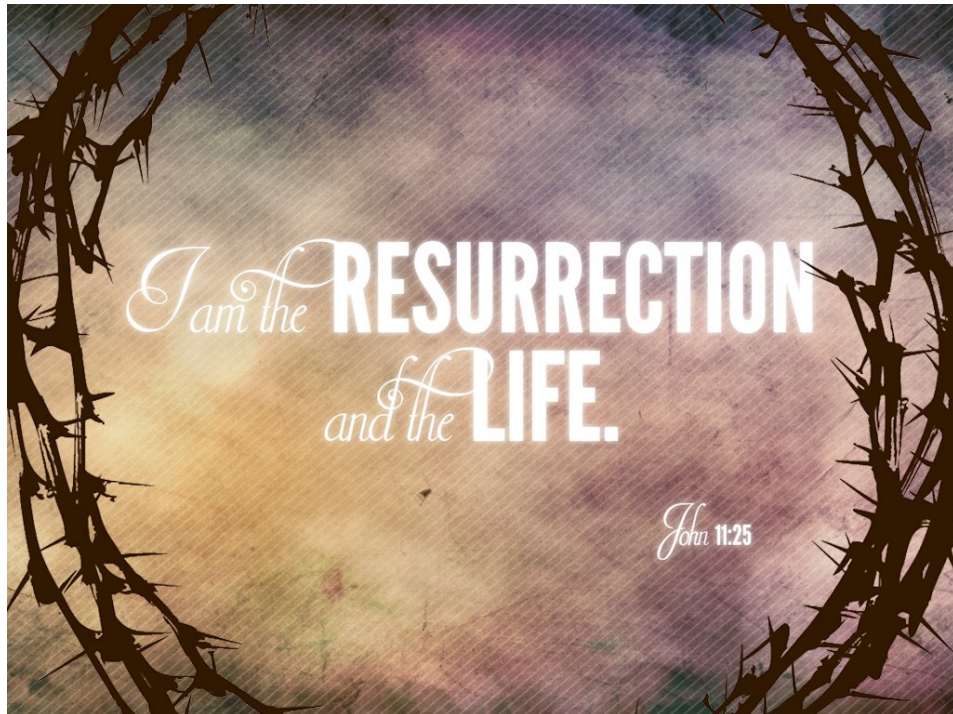


Christ the Servant Lutheran Church

Putting Jesus' Way of Life into Practice by...

**Encountering God, Loving One Another,
& Reaching the World.**

First Sunday in Lent
February 22, 2026



Welcome to Christ the Servant Lutheran Church

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt
and blots out all offenses.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For failing to recognize your coming reign,

and for hindering the work of the Spirit:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition,

and for disdaining the living water Christ offers:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For disregarding voices from the margin,

and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent,

and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound.

Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the
righteousness of Christ. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins
are forgiven. The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead
dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts, and gives you life
and peace. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN - Cornerstone

*My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and
righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly trust in Jesus' Name*

Interlude

*My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and
righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly trust in Jesus' Name
Christ alone, Cornerstone Weak made strong In the Savior's love
Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all*

*When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil
Christ alone, Cornerstone Weak made strong In the Savior's love
Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all*

*When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh, may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne
Christ alone, Cornerstone Weak made strong In the Savior's love
Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all*

GREETING

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

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

READING - Psalm 104:27-30 (*Read responsively*)

²⁷ These all look to you
to give them their food in due season;
²⁸ **when you give to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.**
²⁹ When you hide your face, they are dismayed;
when you take away their breath, they die
and return to their dust.
³⁰ **When you send forth your spirit, they are created,
and you renew the face of the ground.**

GOSPEL - John 11:1-44

The holy Gospel according to John, the eleventh chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ² Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. ³ So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." ⁴ But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather, it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." ⁵ Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, ⁶ after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

⁷ Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." ⁸ The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" ⁹ Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble because they see the light of this world. ¹⁰ But those who walk at night stumble because the light is not in them." ¹¹ After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." ¹² The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." ¹³ Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. ¹⁴ Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. ¹⁵ For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." ¹⁶ Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

¹⁷ When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸ Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, ¹⁹ and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. ²⁰ When Martha heard that Jesus

was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home.²¹ Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."²² But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him."²³ Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."²⁴ Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day."²⁵ Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live,²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"²⁷ She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

²⁸ When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you."²⁹ And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him.³⁰ Now Jesus had not yet come to the village but was still at the place where Martha had met him.³¹ The Jews who were with her in the house consoling her saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there.³² When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."³³ When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved.³⁴ He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see."³⁵ Jesus began to weep.³⁶ So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!"³⁷ But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸ Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it.³⁹ Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days."⁴⁰ Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?"⁴¹ So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me."⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me."⁴³ When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!"⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON - Pastor Jon

HYMN OF THE DAY - Gratitude

*All my words fall short I got nothing new
How could I express All my gratitude
I could sing these songs As I often do
But every song must end And You never do
So I throw up my hands And praise You again and again
'Cause all that I have is a Hallelujah, hallelujah
And I know it's not much But I've nothing else fit for a king
Except for a heart singing Hallelujah, halle - lu - jah
I've got one response I've got just one move
With my arms stretched wide I will worship You*

*So I throw up my hands And praise You again and again
'Cause all that I have is a Hallelujah, hallelujah
And I know it's not much But I've nothing else fit for a king
Except for a heart singing Hallelujah, halle - lu - jah
So Come on my soul Oh don't you get shy on me
Lift up your song 'Cause you've got a lion
Inside of those lungs Get up and praise the Lord (x3)
So I throw up my hands And praise You again and again
'Cause all that I have is a Hallelujah, hallelujah*

*And I know it's not much But I've nothing else fit for a king
Except for a heart singing Hallelujah, halle - lu - jah*

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - RESPONSE: Your mercy is great.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERING HYMN - Come Jesus, Come

*Sometimes I fall To my knees and pray
Come Jesus come Let today be the day
Sometimes I feel Like I'm gonna break
But I'm holding on To a hope that won't fade
Come Jesus come We've been waiting so long
For the day You return To heal every hurt
And right every wrong We need You right now*

*Come and turn this around Deep down I know
This world isn't home Come Jesus come Come Jesus come
There'll be no war And there'll be no chains
When Jesus comes Let today be the day*

*He'll come for the weak And the strong just the same
And all will believe In the power of His name
Come Jesus come We've been waiting so long
For the day You return To heal every hurt And right every wrong
We need You right now Come and turn this around
Deep down I know This world isn't home Come Jesus come
One day He'll come And we'll stand face to face
Come and lay it all down 'Cause it might be today
The time is right now There's no need to wait
Your past will be washed By rivers of grace*

*Come Jesus come We've been waiting so long
For the day You return To heal every hurt
And right every wrong We need You right now
Come and turn this around Deep down we know
This world isn't home come Jesus come come Jesus come
Come Jesus come come Jesus come*

OFFERING PRAYER

O God, maker of heaven and earth, your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us into the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

**The Lord be with you.
And also with you.**

**Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.**

**Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMN - Burdens

*When the night comes when you're all alone
When there's trouble stirring in your soul
And if your world is falling apart
Just hold on 'til the morning break to dawn
Come and lay your burdens down
To the place where freedom is found
At the feet at the feet of Jesus
Come and lay your burdens down*

*When the deepest sorrow Weighs on your heart
When you've prayed for answers
But the answers never come
For every tear, that you cry There's a promise
He will make your burdens light
Come and lay your burdens down
To the place where freedom is found
At the feet at the feet of Jesus
Come and lay your burdens down
Oh lay them down ooh ooh
Oh lay them down oh*

*When we see Him face to face
All our worries will surely fade away
In the presence of His glorious light
We'll sing hallelujah to the One who gave us life!
Come and lay your burdens down*

*To the place where freedom is found
At the feet at the feet of Jesus
Come and lay your burdens down
Come and lay your burdens down
To the place where freedom is found
At the feet at the feet of Jesus
Come and lay your burdens down*

*Come and lay your burdens down
Come and lay your burdens down*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**God of our salvation,
we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls,
reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey.
Through the body and blood of your Son,
may we become Christ's body in the world,
bearing witness to your love for all creation,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

COMMUNITY LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN - This is Amazing Grace

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory the King above all kings
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
The King of Glory the King above all kings
This is amazing grace This is unfailing love
That you would take my place that you would bear my cross
You laid down Your life That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory The King of Glory
Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory The King above all kings

This is amazing grace This is unfailing love
That you would take my place that you would bear my cross
You laid down Your life That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
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Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy Worthy Worthy
This is amazing grace This is unfailing love
That you would take my place that you would bear my cross
You laid down Your life That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Believe the good news.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Announcements

Statistics

The attendance on Sunday, February 15 was 52. 10 attended online.
This week's offerings to General Fund: \$4,521 - online: \$1,393

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THIS WEEK AT CHRIST THE SERVANT

Today: Sunday, February 22 - First Sunday in Lent

8:00 AM - Bible Study
9:00 AM - Worship
10:00 AM - Fellowship
11:30 AM - EFLC Worship
11:40 AM - EFLC Sunday School
1:45 PM - EF Board Meeting (SS Room)

Monday, February 23

9:00 AM - Package Bread and Delivery
12:00 PM - Piecemakers (FH)

Tuesday, February 24

7:00 AM - Bread Preparation (FH)
8:30 AM - Bread Distribution (FH)
6:00 PM - VH Green Team
6:30 PM - AA (FH)

Wednesday, February 25

10:00 AM - Bible Study
11:30 AM - Senior Hi-Lites
6:00 PM - Lenten Soup Supper
7:00 PM - Lenten Worship Service
7:00 PM - AA Meeting (Class A)

Thursday, February 26

Friday, February 27

5:30 PM - EF Choir Rehearsal (Class A)

Saturday, February 28

12:00 PM - UCG Church (S/K/FH)

Sunday, March 1 - Second Sunday in Lent

8:00 AM - Bible Study
9:00 AM - Worship
10:00 AM - Fellowship
11:30 AM - EFLC Worship
11:40 AM - EFLC Sunday School
1:45 PM - EF Board Meeting (SS Room)

THIS WEEK AT LAKEVIEW

Today: Sunday, February 22 - First Sunday in Lent

10:00 AM - Fellowship
10:45 AM - Worship
12:00 - 5:00 PM - Eternity Karen Baptist Church

Monday, February 23

7:00 AM - AA

Sunday, March 1 - Second Sunday in Lent

10:00 AM - Fellowship
10:45 AM - Worship
12:00 - 5:00 PM - Eternity Karen Baptist Church

**ALTAR FLOWERS GENEROUSLY PROVIDED BY: STEVEN &
SHIRLEY TIGGES, IN CELEBRATION OF THEIR ANNIVERSARY.**

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY! THANK YOU!


Greeter: Katie Wright
Ushers: Johnson Family
Reader: Tony Lee
Sound Booth: Tim, Tom, Peter, Kim, Jayson, Tony
Communion Assistants: OPEN
Musicians: Revelation
Coffee Servers: Sandy Meyer & Mary Barlau
Bread Pickup: Gary Splittstoesser
Counters: Ron Hawkinson, Glen Johnson

PRAYER REQUESTS...

We pray for those in need of healing and mercy:
The family of Sue W. as they mourn the loss of her great-nephew Anthony, the family of Tony L. as they mourn the loss of his mother, Joan., Michelle, (Sister of Linda W.), The family of Bev K. as they mourn her passing, Eileen S., Emily B., Mary-Kay L., Pastor Dick M. and caregiver Barb, Laiden S., Karen R., Norma (Mother of Leila H.), Sharon G., Deb C., Brian I, Katie W., Steve, Paul S., Brian, Tony L., Roger K., Gary C., Sarah K., Carol L., Salomie (sister-in-law of Peter), Patty W. (sister of Mike W.)

(Please call the church office with prayer concerns or updates.)

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