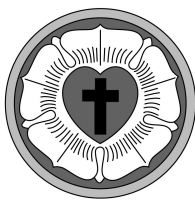


Our Saviour Lutheran Church



Misericordias Domini
(Third Sunday of Easter)
4 May 2014

Welcome!

We are delighted to have you with us this morning to receive the Lord's gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee after the service.

Please also record your visit in the visitors' book at the back. If you would like a phone call or a pastoral visit, speak to the pastor or leave a note in the visitors' book.

The Offering

Members of this church are privileged to give to the Lord for the work of His church in this community and throughout the world. *Visitors should not feel obliged in any way to contribute to the offering plate.*

Children in the Service

It is a delight and a privilege to have children in the service. Children as much as adults are members of God's family and Jesus welcomes little children to Him.

There is a Sunday School for children during the sermon. The children leave at the beginning of the sermon and return to church after the prayers.

Please don't worry if your child won't sit still or quietly throughout the service. Most young children won't manage that! There is plenty of space at the back of the room. If you do need to take a child outside, the smaller room is available for that purpose.

Holy Communion

We believe that in the Lord's Supper, we eat and drink the true body and blood of Jesus in and with the bread and the wine, according to Jesus' own words. We also believe that those who participate in Holy Communion in a particular congregation should be in agreement in the confession of the faith.

If you are visiting us and wish to receive the Lord's Supper, please speak to the pastor *before the service*. Everyone is welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

Our teaching on this matter is explained in more detail in the little leaflet, 'Why Closed Communion?', which is available at the back of the church.

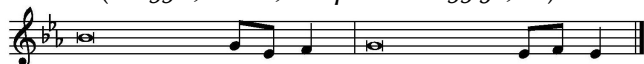
Thank you for honouring our beliefs.

Hymns: 467, 709, 642, 465

Catechism

- P** The Sacrament of the Altar: What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?
- C** These words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins”, show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.
- P** How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?
- C** Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins”. These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: “forgiveness of sins”.

Introit (*Ps. 33:1, 18–20; antiphon: Ps. 33:5b, 6a*)



- A** The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.
Alle- | luia.*
By the word of the LORD the heavens were made. Alle- | luia.
- C** Shout for joy in the LORD, O
you | righteous!*
- Praise befits the | upright.
- A** Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who | fear
him,*
on those who hope in his | steadfast love,
- C** that he may deliver their | soul from death*
and keep them alive in | famine.
- A** Our soul waits | for the LORD;*
he is our help | and our shield.
- C** ♦ *Glory be to the Father and | to the Son**
and to the Holy | Spirit,
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- A** The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.
Alle- | luia.*
By the word of the LORD the heavens were made. Alle- | luia.

Collect of the Day

O God, through he humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the perils of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Reading—Ezekiel 34:11–16

Epistle Reading—1 Peter 2:21–25

Alleluia & Verse (Luke 24:35; John 10:14)

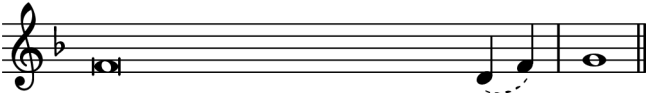


Alle-lu - ia. Alle-lu - ia. Alle-lu - ia.



I The Lord was known to them*

II I am the good shep - herd.*



I in the breaking of the bread.

II I know my own and my own know me.



Alle-lu - ia. Alle-lu - ia. Alle-lu - ia.

Gospel Reading—John 10:11–16

IN OUR PRAYERS

Candidates for Baptism and Confirmation

Sindija, Nicola (baptism); Richard, Annabelle, Calvin, Daniel (confirmation)

Members

Ron; Barbara; Frank

Family of members

Diana (old age); Alex, Sarah & family; Doris; Philippa

Friends of members

Ilse Kelly (old age); Trevor (unemployed); Claire and Phil (health); Helen Kriewaldt (stroke, breast cancer); Johann Wiebusch (CP); Phil & Karen (distress); Rob (depression); Debra (depression); Nigel (cancer); Ray, Doreen & family (cancer); David Webb (cancer); Bob Waters (cancer); Ronnie (cancer); Caroline (recovering from operation); Sally (health); Leanne (health); Gina & family

ELCE

St. Timothy's Lutheran Church; Pr. Edge; LWLGB Conference; Christa Jeynes (broken hip); Quirk family; Pr. McNally (cancer); Pr. Fry (health)

The Church of God

Lutheran Church—Hong Kong Synod; ILC Executive; Hill Park Baptist Church; Lutherans in Africa, Pr. James May; Roger Jones (stroke)

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD

LARGE CATECHISM

PREFACE

A Christian, profitable, and necessary preface, and faithful, serious encouragement from Dr. Martin Luther to all Christians, but especially to all pastors and preachers, that They should daily exercise themselves in the catechism, which is a short summary and epitome of the entire Holy Scriptures. They should always teach the Catechism. ... They now have everything that they are to preach and teach placed before them abundantly, clearly, and easily ... I wish that ... they would read each morning, noon, and evening, only a page or two in the catechism, the prayer book, the New Testament, or something else in the Bible. They should pray the Lord's Prayer for

themselves and their parishioners. Then they might respond with honour and thanks to the Gospel, by which they have been delivered from obvious burdens and troubles, and might feel a little shame. ... The common people also respect the Gospel altogether too lightly, and we accomplish nothing special, even though we work diligently.... Yes, even among the nobility one may find some clowns and penny-pinchers, who say there is no longer any need for either pastors or preachers; ... Well, this, too, is a sure sign that they despise both their office and the souls of the people. Indeed, they even despise God and His Word.

Paragraph 1–3, 6,8

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Daily Services at St. Francis', Funtley

Tue	8.45 am	Matins
Wed	7 pm	Vespers
Thu	8.45 am	Matins
Fri	8.45 am	Matins

The Week Ahead

Today	6 pm	Youth Club
Wed	10.30 am	Bible study (Parsonage)
	12.45 pm	Pastor's Surgery (The Hub)
Thu	7.45 pm	Voters' Assembly (Parsonage)
Sun	10.30 am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)
	4.30 pm	Divine Service (Brighton)

Further ahead

13 May		Study day for catechumens (Brighton)
14 May	10.30 am	Bible study (Parsonage)
	12.45 am	Pastor's Surgery (The Hub)
18 May	10.30 am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)

Next Sunday's Readings:

Isaiah 40:25–31; 1 Peter 2:11–20; John 16:16–22

Daily Readings:

Sun: Exodus 32:15–35 Luke 6:39–49 *Formula of Concord Solid Declaration VII: 73–76*

Mon: Ex 33:1–23 Luke 7:1–17 *FC SD VII: 77–84*

Tue: Ex 34:1–28 Luke 7:18–35 *FC SD VII: 85–90*

Wed: Ex 34:29–35:21 Luke 7:36–50 *FC SD VII: 91–103*

Thu: Ex 38:21–39:8, 22–23, 27–31 Luke 8:1–21 *FC SD VII: 104–106*

Fri: Ex 39:32–40:16 Luke 8:22–39 *FC SD VII: 107–115*

Sat: Ex 40:17–38 Luke 8:40–56 *FC SD VII: 116–123*

Sun: Lev 8:1–13, 30–36 Luke 9:1–17 *FC SD VII: 124–128*

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