

Faith Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

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Worship 9:30 am

Sunday School & Bíble Classes 11:00 am

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website www.faith lutheranwen.com Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.

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# THE PURPOSE OF FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

In the power, guidance, and strength of the Holy Spirit, we seek God's presence in worship to open our hearts and minds that He may be glorified and we may be empowered to love and serve all people, that souls may be won for Jesus Christ.

# The Third Sunday in Lent

# March 3, 2024

Faith Lutheran Church is a congregation of baptized believers gathered together by Christ around His lifegiving word and sacraments, who are sent out into the world as witnesses to Christ as they serve their neighbors in love within their individual, God-given vocations.

**Prayer upon Entering Church:** Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness and put upon ourselves the armor of light now in the time of this mortal life in which Your Son, Jesus Christ, came to visit us in great humility, that in the Last Day, when He shall come again in glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.* +1-

**Guests:** We welcome you in the name of our Savior and invite you to worship with us regularly. If you do not have a church home, why not make ours yours? If you have a spiritual concern, or would like to know more about our church, please consult with Pastor Winterstein.

**Holy Communion:** The practice of the Lutheran church is to receive Holy Communion with members of churches with whom we are in fellowship. If you are not a member of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, The Lutheran Church-Canada, or The American Association of Lutheran Churches, please speak to the pastor before communing. If you have not been baptized and instructed in what we teach and confess, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. You may indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. The individual cups in the middle of the trays contain grape juice with a minimal amount of wine in them. If you use the individual cup, the pastor will direct you to drink with the words of Jesus. If you have questions or concerns about receiving the Sacrament of the Altar here at Faith, please speak to Pr. Winterstein.

Parish Nurse: Carol Trunzo is available by appointment at 509 393-9938 or cat121551@gmail.com.

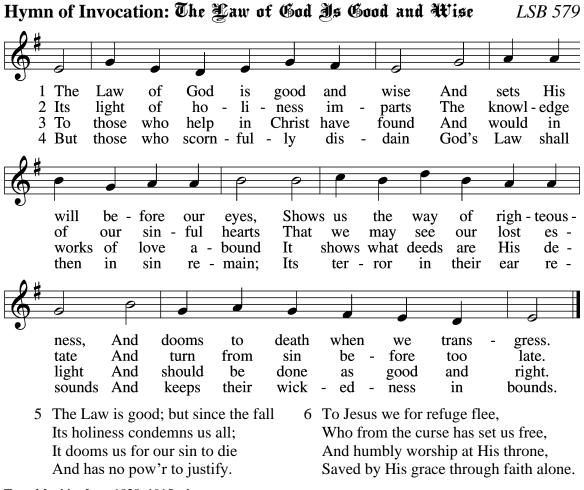
**Prayer Requests**: If you have a prayer request that you would like included in the Prayer of the Church, you may fill out a prayer card from the table by the offering plate and give it to the pastor or an usher. You may also speak to the pastor prior to the beginning of the service.

**The Rite of Friendship:** There is a red vinyl pad on the aisle side of the pew. Before worship, please record your first and last name and, if you are a guest, please include your mailing address. This information helps us with ministering to the needs of guests and members. Members, please record address and phone number changes, as well as your current email address, if you would like to receive a weekly update from the church.

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# Third Sunday in Lent

#### Prelude



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At each +, one may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of one's Baptism. At each  $\diamond$ , one may bow in reverence.

#### Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

Exhortation

Hebrews 10:22; Psalm 124:8; Psalm 32:5

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Since we all stand individually before our God, asking for His mercy in Jesus Christ, we take this time of silence to examine ourselves and our sin in light of His Word.

## **Confession of Sins**

- **P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- **C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

## Absolution

[John 20:19-23]

- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

# Service of the Word

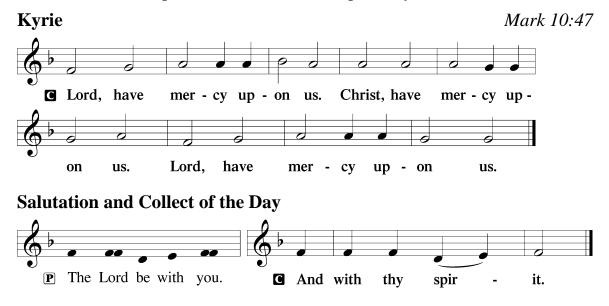
Introit

Psalm 69:14–16; antiphon: v. 9



- Let not the flood sweep over me, or the deep swal- | low me up,\* or the pit close its mouth | over me.
- Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast | love is good;\* according to your abundant mercy, | turn to me.
- Solve 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. For zeal for your house has con- | sumed me,\*

and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fall- | en on me.



#### **P** Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

#### Sit

#### **Old Testament Reading**

#### The Ten Commandments

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### Gradual

Hebrews 12:2

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,\*

## the founder and perfecter | of our faith,

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame,\*

#### and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

#### Epistle

1 Corinthians 1:18–31

#### Christ the Wisdom and Power of God

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### Exodus 20:1–17

Stand

**C** Praise

be

to

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Christ.

#### **Holy Gospel** John 2:13-22 The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter. P 0 0 **G** Glo-ry be to Thee, 0 Lord. Jesus Cleanses the Temple This is the Gospel of the Lord. P 0 0

#### **Apostles' Creed**

The Church has always considered the Apostles' Creed to be the baptismal creed, confessed at baptism, and then confessed daily in one's individual prayers as a baptized child of God. The Nicene Creed is used as the Eucharistic creed, or the creed confessed by the people of God gathered around Christ's altar. Our congregation normally follows that usage. But since Lent and Advent are times of repentance and instruction in the Faith, we will use the Apostles' Creed during Lent and Advent, as a reminder of our baptismal identity, and of the renewal of our baptism in repentance and forgiveness.

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: May God Bestow on Us Mis Grace

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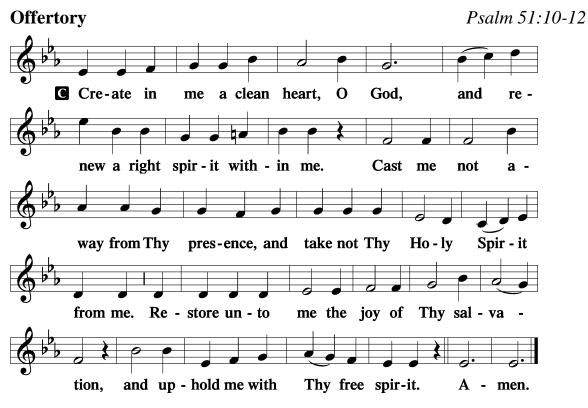
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#### Sermon

# Votum

- P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- **C** Amen.

Stand



# **Prayer of the Church**

- **P** Lord, in your mercy:
- **C** Hear our prayer.

# Service of the Sacrament



#### 2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

#### **Proper Preface**

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary .... evermore praising You and saying:



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.

#### The Words of Our Lord

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

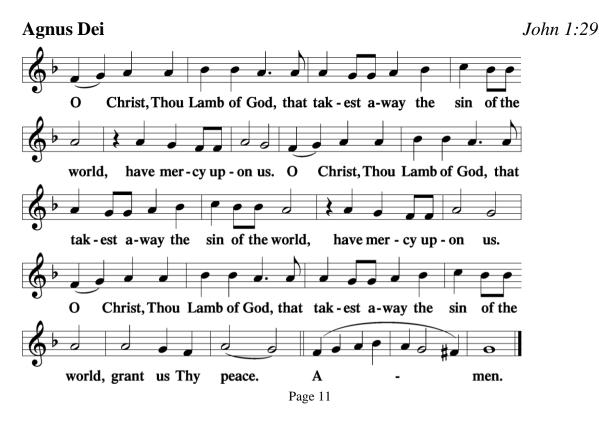
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

John 20:19

#### **Pax Domini**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

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C Amen.
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#### Distribution

**Prayer before receiving Christ's Body and Blood:** Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof, but speak the word and I shall be healed. [For further preparation, you may want to consider Luther's Christian Questions with their Answers on pp. 329-330 of Lutheran Service Book.]

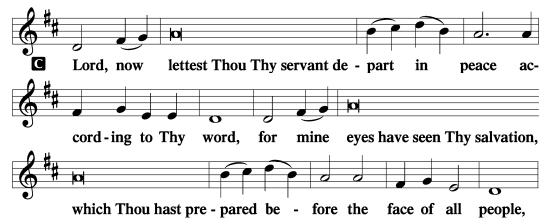
**Prayer after receiving Christ's Body and Blood:** Almighty and everlasting God, we thank and praise You for feeding us the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send us Your Holy Spirit that, having with our mouths received the holy Sacrament, we may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

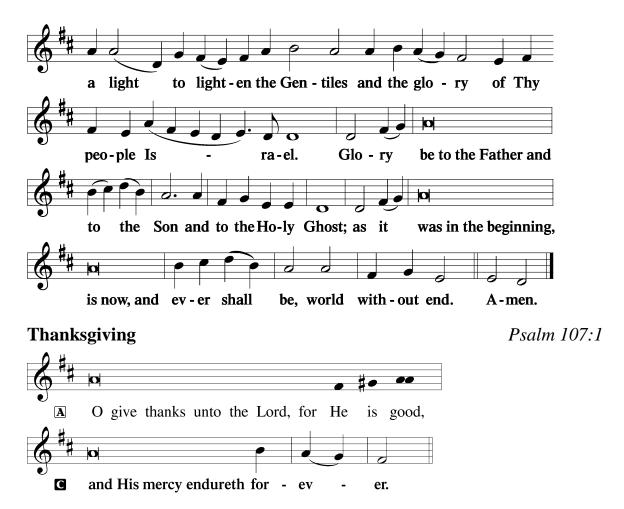
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Distribution Hymn: The Infant Priest Was Koly Born	LSB 624
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Stand

**Nunc Dimittis** 

Luke 2:29-32





#### **Post-Communion Collect**

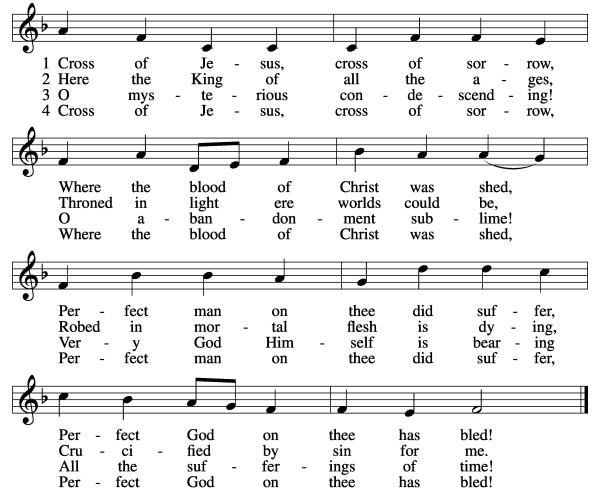
**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

С





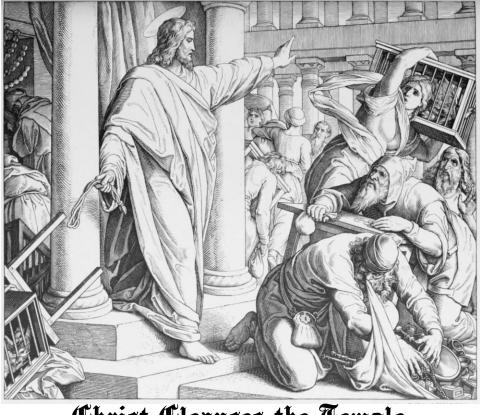


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#### Announcements

- **P** Go in the peace of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### Postlude



Christ Cleanses the Temple. by Julius Schnorr von Carolsfeld

*Die Bibel in Bildern [Picture Bible] von Julius Schnorr von Carolsfeld.* Leipzig: Georg Wigands, 1860. Hathi Digital Trust Library online version of a copy in the Getty Library. Web. 30 June 2016.

#### Acknowledgments

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#### Announcements

**Midweek Lent Service:** Please join us at 5:45 pm this Wednesday, for Soup Supper, hosted this week by Elders and Friday Men's Bible Study, and then at 7:00 pm for Midweek Lent service.

**Sunday School:** Today, we begin a new unit with "A Welcome Truth." Jesus and His disciples visit the home of sisters Mary and Martha. Mary sits at the Lord's feet to hear His words. Martha, busy with meal preparations, asks Jesus to tell Mary to help. Instead, Jesus gently tells Martha that Mary has chosen the more important thing.

**Special Offerings:** Today and next Sunday, you will be voting on the missions (green) and local charities (yellow) that you have nominated to receive the money we gave at the services during last holiday season. Submit a green ballot and a yellow ballot—one vote per ballot, and place them in the ballot box provided. Thank you for your assistance in this important decision. –Stewardship Committee

Altar Guild Business Meeting: The regular business meeting for Altar Guild will be March 11 at 1:30 pm. All members please attend this important meeting.

**Thrivent Choice Dollars:** The deadline for Thrivent policy holders to designate their allocations of Choice Dollars will be March 31, 2024. This special funding opportunity becomes available to our church by Thrivent policy holders calling 1 800 847-4836 or visiting the website at thrivent.com. Questions can be answered at the local office, 509 884-9777, or speak to Bev Wischnofske. All policy holders are reminded that a designation must be made each year; the designation does not automatically renew.

**Faith Lutheran Preschool:** Our preschool is now accepting registrations for the 2024-2025 school year! Tell your friends! Registration forms are available on the preschool website and in the church office.

**Baby Bottle Campaign:** The baby bottle campaign will run for 4 weeks, beginning the Sunday after Easter! This fun way to support at-risk women and children in our community is NOT a FLC fundraiser, and is active all year long across churches in our community. Your donations are delivered exactly as they are given. If you would like a receipt for tax purposes, please put a note in the bottle with your donation, and Real Options will mail you one. *I will not be doing the campaign next year! Please let me know if you would like to volunteer. Real Options delivers and picks up the baby bottles.* ~ Lorna Osborne

**Coffee Fellowship:** We need cookies! Please bring cookies, labeled with the date, and leave them in the freezer in the kitchen.

#### **Prayers**

**Prayers for Missionaries:** Mark Winterstein, Rachel Krause, Kim Bueltmann and Pastor Hugo Gevers, working with Middle Eastern refugees in Germany; Pastor James May with Lutherans in Africa

**Prayers for our Synod's Leaders:** Dr. Matthew Harrison, Rev. Paul Linnemann

Prayers for our Nation: Our President, Congress, Governor, and Legislators

**Prayers for our World:** Locations of conflict and wars

Prayers for our Military: Caleb Barger, Levi Barger, Captain Robert Haight

**Prayers for Continued Healing:** Matt Bruggman, Flo Brunner, Laura Cornwall, Liz Eberle and Melinda Lowery, Becky Fischer, David Kerby, Maxine Melcher, Barbara Miller, Joan Olson, Neel Riyali, Diana Snell, Karter Spurgeon, Don Woodworth

**Prayers for Expectant Mothers:** Alice (Loebsack) Brecht, Nicole (Stone) Bernal, Carissa Stone

Prayers for Shut-Ins: Mim Schwich

Prayers for Students: Faith Lutheran Preschool staff and preschool children

**Prayers for Local Charities:** Alatheia Riding Center, Brave Warrior Project, Cancer Care of NCW, Habitat for Humanity, Chelan-Douglas Literacy Council, Wenatchee Rescue Mission, Real Options Pregnancy Center, Sage Advocacy, Serve Wenatchee Valley, Wellness Place

**General Prayers:** For those seeking employment and/or experiencing hardship in these difficult times

Sunday 3 The Third Sunday in Lent	Divine Service Coffee Fellowship Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	<b>9:30 am</b> 10:45 am 11:00 am	
Preschool Schedule	Pre-K: Monday, Wednesday, Friday Preschool: Tuesday, Wednesday	8:30 am-11:30 am 9:00 am-11:30 am	
Monday 4			
Tuesday 5	Matins	8:30 am	
Wednesday 6	Matins Midweek Bible Study Soup Supper <b>Lent Midweek Service</b>	8:30 am 2:00 pm 5:45 pm-6:45 pm <b>7:00 pm</b>	
Thursday 7	Matins Tabitha Circle Thursday Prayer	8:30 am 9:30 am 10:00 am	
Friday 8	Men's Bible Study Ladies' Bible Study	7:30 am 9:00 am	
Saturday 9			
Sunday 10 The Fourth Sunday in Lent	<b>Divine Service</b> Coffee Fellowship Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	<b>9:30 am</b> 10:45 am 11:00 am	

Readings for Wednesday, March 6: Psalm 19; Exodus 20:1-17; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; and John 2:13-22 Readings for Sunday, March 10: Numbers 21:4-9; Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21

	Usher	Organist	Greeter	
Today	Byron Lee	Susan Rumble		
Next Sunday	Eric Loebsack	Susan Rumble		
Altar Care	Marilyn Delzer & Peggy Christensen			
Flowers	Flowers today are given to the glory of God by Betty Ross What a friend we have in Jesus!			
Offerings Last Week: \$5,050	Offerings Last Month:	16,100 Attendat Last We	68	

#### Lent



#### **About the Cover**

As lesus set His mind on things that are above, His zeal simply could not allow His Father's house to become an earthly house of trade (see Colossians 3:2). The religious leaders despised the Lord's purpose of the temple and would later seek to destroy the temple of His body, wherein God tabernacled among His people (see John 1:14). Christ was crucified, died, and was buried. But He has been raised for our justification (see Romans 4:25).

#### THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

#### Old Testament Reading: Exodus 20:1–17

<sup>1</sup>And God spoke all these words, saying,

<sup>2</sup>"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

<sup>3</sup>"You shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>"You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

<sup>8</sup>"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, <sup>10</sup>but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

<sup>12</sup>"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup>"You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup>"You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>15</sup>"You shall not steal.

<sup>16</sup>"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

<sup>17</sup>"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

#### Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

<sup>18</sup>The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,

and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

<sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age?

Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

<sup>26</sup>For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup>But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup>God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup>He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. <sup>31</sup>Therefore, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

#### Holy Gospel: John 2:13-22

<sup>13</sup>The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. <sup>15</sup>And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

<sup>18</sup>So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?" <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." <sup>20</sup>The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" <sup>21</sup>But he was speaking about the temple of his body. <sup>22</sup>When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.