

# Faith News and Notes for March 8, 2026

PLEASE Note on The Pew Attendance Card which Service you attended  
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**Welcome, welcome, welcome in the name of the Lord!** We are so glad you are here with us and our prayer is always that the sweet presence of the Lord would be manifested here every time we gather together. May you be encouraged and equipped in your faith today!

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## PRAYER TEAM

Faith Lutheran has begun a prayer ministry during our Sunday services, and you are warmly invited to take part. Following the example of Christians throughout the ages—believers who faithfully prayed while the Gospel was being preached—we gather in the chapel to intercede for the congregation, the preaching of the Word, and those who do not yet know Christ.

Prayer is held from 8:45–10:05 a.m. and again from 10:45 a.m.–12:05 p.m. You are welcome to come for either time, or simply stop into the chapel before the second service to observe or join; someone will be there to guide you. If the Lord is stirring your heart to support the ministry of our church through prayer, come and serve in this simple but powerful way.

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Easter lilies will beautify our chancel during Lent. You may order plants to decorate our sanctuary by filling out the form below. A listing in the Easter Bulletin will include the dedications of the lilies—they may be in honor of a person you admire, the memory of a loved one, or to the Glory of God. Please fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate, along with your check payable to Faith Lutheran Church. Alternatively, you may pay online through the church's website. Plants may be picked up after late service on Easter Sunday. Deadline: March 22

Number of lilies \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20 each.

\_\_\_\_\_ To the Glory of God  
\_\_\_\_\_ In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Print name as it should appear in the Bulletin)

## **Holy Communion**

In this Sacrament, Jesus gives us Himself, His true Body and Blood as we receive the bread and wine. Jesus instituted this when he celebrated Passover with his disciples, and assures us that each time we receive it, we again remember his death and receive the full benefits of His grace and all that he offers. In keeping with the Scripture and the teachings of the Lutheran church, we ask each person to consider these questions:

- \*Do I acknowledge the fact that I am indeed a sinner and that I am sorry for my sins?
- \*Do I believe that Jesus Christ is my Savior from all sin?
- \*Am I trusting in Jesus' promise that I receive full forgiveness and strength through this Sacrament?
- \*Do I believe and agree that the body and blood of my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, are truly present in, with and under the bread and wine?
- \*With the Lord's help, will I seek to amend my sinful life and live in conformity with His holy will?

If you answer yes to all these questions and are baptized, you are welcome to come and receive all that Jesus offers in Holy Communion. May the Lord bless your personal reception as well as your daily living under His power and blessing.

We offer assistance for the **hearing impaired**. Just speak to one of our ushers, who will be able to help you. Please return the hearing device to an usher as you exit. We have a **Nursery** for infants through age 3 that is available during of our services for you to use. The nursery is through the hall on the right side of the sanctuary (facing the altar).

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### **Old Testament *Exodus 17:1–7***

<sup>1</sup>All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. <sup>2</sup>Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" <sup>3</sup>But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" <sup>4</sup>So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." <sup>5</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. <sup>6</sup>Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. <sup>7</sup>And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

### **Epistle *Romans 5:1–8***

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup>Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. <sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— <sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

### **Gospel *John 4:5-26***

<sup>5</sup>[Jesus] came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup>Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. <sup>7</sup>There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." <sup>8</sup>(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) <sup>9</sup>The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." <sup>11</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" <sup>12</sup>Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." <sup>13</sup>Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup>but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." <sup>15</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." <sup>17</sup>The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; <sup>18</sup>for you have had

five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true.”<sup>19</sup>The woman said to him, “Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet.”<sup>20</sup>Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship.”<sup>21</sup>Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father.”<sup>22</sup>You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.”<sup>23</sup>But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him.”<sup>24</sup>God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.”<sup>25</sup>The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.”<sup>26</sup>Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.”

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**March 8 (Lent 3)** – The world tells us to avoid suffering at all costs, even justifying murder (abortion, suicide, assisted suicide) on the grounds that death can be used to avoid further suffering. However, St. Paul reminds us that instead of trying to avoid suffering through death, we “can rejoice in our sufferings” (Romans 5:3), knowing that God uses our suffering to increase our hope in Him and bring us to everlasting glory. Therefore, when suffering comes, “let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker (Psalm 95:6), entrusting ourselves into the hands of the One who “died for us” (Romans 5:8).

**March 8** “The call to be disciples of Jesus who live out our faith each day and, in so doing, work to make disciples of others, has never been greater ... We need to boldly proclaim what God has done for us in Christ. Not in a spirit of superiority or power, but in a posture of love and grace.” *Bishop Dan Selbo, North American Lutheran Church – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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**Friday, March 20th  
8 AM—8 PM**

Sign-up in the Narthex or on Faith’s web-site.

The Sanctuary will be open for prayer or you may pray in a place of your choosing.

<sup>16</sup> Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray continually, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.  
*1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*

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### Prayer Requests



**Our Homebound:** **Sandy** Aiken (Courtyard Gardens of Jupiter); **Alma** Coates; **Carla** Sesola (now living in Missouri); **Donna** Van Bommel (Palm Beach Memory Care, NPB); **Gordon** Lerner (Luxe Rehabilitation in Jupiter); **Ernie** Munter (Concordia Village in Tampa)

**Other Requests:** **Faith Lutheran Teachers, students and their families; The Family of Gail Bolognese, Jessica Dillahunt; Andrea Emde, The family of Judith Gonnerman, Dave Johnson, Rick Knudtson, Istvan Krisko, Kathy McCoy, Nancy Meyer, The family of Ron Nilsen, Carole Satterthwaite, Tricia Shankin, Sally Schwartz, Bob and Laura Tegart, Walt & Sharon Wiley, Lynn Wilke, and Ron Woita.**



Join Us For  
**Maundy Thursday Seder**  
April 2  
6:00 PM

**"Christ in the Passover"  
Seder Meal  
including Holy Communion**

**Sign up in the Narthex and bring a friend!**

**Faith's Easter** &   
**Spring Fling** & **Egg Hunt**

March 28, 2026 12:00-2:00

Engage in Community Fun · Encourage Fellowship · Equip with Prayer

**Can you provide items:**

- Plastic eggs to fill?
- Age-appropriate fillers? (infants- 5<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Some candy fillers too?
- Prizes for games?
- Funding for supplies?
- Funding for hot dog lunch?

**Family Activities for ALL**

Make checks out to *Faith Lutheran School*. In the memo area list Spring Fling.  
or  
Zelle to [donate2school@faithnpb.com](mailto:donate2school@faithnpb.com)  
Contact Pilar Tucker at [school@faithnpb.com](mailto:school@faithnpb.com) for more information.

**Making of Palm Crosses — Join Us!**



In preparation for Palm Sunday, Walt Wiley will once again guide our members — adults and children alike — in making small palm crosses.

Join us for this meaningful and hands-on activity:  
Saturday, March 28 — 1:00 PM (During the Spring Fling)

*Palm Crosses — A Symbol of Victory. A reminder of both Jesus' triumph and His sacrifice*

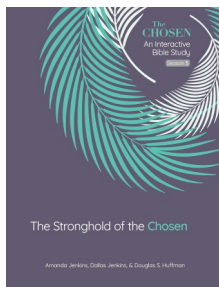
## Right Now Media

RightNow Media's mission is to work with the global church to inspire people to love others before self and Christ above all.

Here are three different ways to sign-up for “Right Now Media”



1. Custom Link: <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/faithlutheranchurchnp>
  2. Text the code **FAITHNPB** to **49775** and you will receive a text back, welcoming you to “RightNow Media” and provides you with the invite link to register.
  3. Use this QR code: Hover your phone’s camera over the code and it will prompt you to open a mobile browser, select that prompt and the registration page will appear for you to sign up.
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### ***Pastor Mark's Mid-Week Bible Study***

#### ***The Chosen: Season Five***

Wednesdays during Lent and continuing after Easter  
Church conference room or via Zoom  
7PM—8:15PM

This excellent series—based on *The Chosen*—explores the ministry of Jesus and highlights many of the “minor” yet meaningful people whose lives were transformed by Him.

We have purchased twelve study books from Amazon, available for \$14 each.  
You are, of course, welcome to purchase your own copy.

A sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex.

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### **Baby Shower for Talia Waugh**



A baby boy is on the way for the Waugh family and we are so excited to be hosting a baby shower for Talia and Nate’s first baby!

**Friday, March 27 at 6PM**  
**Home of Linda Seitz, 1131 Coral Way, Singer Island**

Talia and Nate are registered at Babylist.

Join us on this fun occasion by signing up in the Narthex.

## 2026 Flower Chart

Be sure to post your important dates on the 2026 Flower Chart, now displayed in the Narthex.

In Memory of / In Honor of / To the Glory of God



Laura Schuemann

This week's altar flowers

*In memory of those who have  
gone before us.*  
by Kiela Harvey



Joe Melbourne & Lynn Wilkie



AARP FOUNDATION Tax Aide will do Federal Income tax returns for almost anyone. Volunteers are all IRS certified and prepare the returns which are reviewed for quality and accuracy before they are e-filed for FREE. A printed copy is given to each client. Sites are open from February 2 to April 15, 2026.

In the Northern Palm Beach County area there are six sites:

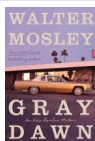
Lake Park Library (561-881-3330) - 529 Park Ave, Lake Park - Saturday 10:00 to 1:30 Closed 4/4  
Feb 7 to April 11

North Palm Beach Library (561-841-3383) – 303 Anchorage Dr Wednesday & Friday 9:00 to 12:30  
Feb 6 to April 15

Gardens Branch Library (561-626-6133) - 11303 Campus Dr. PBG Thursday & Friday 9:00 – 12:30  
Feb 5 to April 10

North County Senior Center (561-694-5435) - 5217 Northlake Blvd, PBG Monday & Wednesday 12:00 - 3:00  
Feb 2 to April 15

Jupiter Community Center (561-741-2400) 210 Military Trail Jupiter - Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 9:00 – 12:30  
Feb 10 to April 15



**Faith's Book Club**  
**March book of the month:**  
***Gray Down: An Easy Rawlins Mystery***  
**by Walter Mosley**



**Date:** Monday, March 23rd/ **Dinner:** 5:30 PM @ Stormhouse Brewing in NPB/ **Book Discussion:** 7:00 PM in church office

**In this thrilling mystery from "master of craft and narrative" Walter Mosley (National Book Foundation), Detective Easy Rawlins has settled into the happy rhythm of his new life when a dark siren from his past returns and threatens to destroy the peace he's fought for.**

The name Easy Rawlins stirs excitement in the hearts of readers and fear in the hearts of his foes. His success has bought him a thriving detective agency, with its first female detective; a remote home, shared with children and pets and lovers, high atop the hills overlooking gritty Los Angeles; and more trouble, more problems, and more threats to those he loves. In other words, he's still beset on all sides. Rising in the city's criminal underground is a woman cannier than any card shark or kingpin, a woman feared by all, threatening the businesses of all, whom Easy must quickly locate and neutralize. She goes by the name Lutisha, but Easy will recognize her as the woman who set his entire adult life into motion. Nineteen-seventies Los Angeles is a transient city of delicate, violent balances, and Lutisha has upended that. She also has a secret that will upend Easy's own life, *painfully close to home*.

## This Week at Faith

### Sunday, March 8

- 8:45 AM Traditional Service
- 10:00 AM Sunday School (Ages 3-7 in Classroom3. Ages 8-12 in Conference Room)
- 10:45 AM Contemporary Service
- 12:00 PM Contemporary Worship Practice

### Monday, March 9

- 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM Women's Bible Study Fellowship (Upper Room and Library)
- 6:55 PM—8:45 PM Men's & Women's Bible Study Fellowship (Campus wide)
- 7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous (Chapel)

### Tuesday, March 10

- 12:00 PM— 2:00 PM Lifewise (Upper Room)
- 6:00 PM Lay Leader's Meeting (Conference Room)
- 6:00 PM—9:00 PM Via de Cristo Meeting (Gym/Sanctuary)

### Wednesday, March 11

- 8:00 AM—3:00 PM Lifeline Screenings (Classrooms A/B/C)
- 10:00 AM—12:00 PM Food Pantry
- 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Village Garden Condo Mtg. (Multipurpose Room)
- 7:00 PM—8:15 PM Pastor's Bible Study (Conference Room)

### Thursday, March 12

- 9:00 AM Weight Watchers (Classrooms A/B in Michel Building)
- 10:30 AM Canasta Club (Upper Room)
- 7:00 PM—9:00 PM Via de Cristo (Michel Building – Classroom C)

### Friday, March 13

- 9:30 AM Weight Watchers (Classrooms A/B in Michel Building)

### Saturday, March 14

- 8:00 AM Weight Watchers (Classrooms A/B in Michel Building)

### Sunday, March 15

- 8:45 AM Traditional Service
- 10:00 AM Sunday School (Ages 3-7 in Classroom3. Ages 8-12 in Conference Room)
- 10:45 AM Contemporary Service
- 12:00 PM Contemporary Worship Practice

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**NEW DAY ADULT CARE CENTER — 561-844-0012**

Julie Tombari: Administrator

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	<b>8:45 AM</b>	<b>10:45 AM</b>
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Lou Raffa	Christine Kamikazi
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	June Johnson	John Fortini
<b>Greeter</b>	Jim Beermann	Rosabelle & Daniel Newton
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**OUR VISION**

**We believe God calls us to engage, encourage and equip our church,  
community and world with His unfailing love.**

We will **engage** all people in meaningful relationships with God’s unfailing love as the foundation.

We will **encourage** all people to a closer relationship with Jesus.

We will **equip** all people to live a loving, powerful, Spirit-filled life.