

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sept. 10, 2023 A.D.
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*A Christ Caring People Who Gather Around Word and Sacrament,
Yoked Together, In Personal Service to Christ in World Wide Missions*



✠ DIVINE SERVICE ✠

OPENING HYMN	8:30	"Father Welcomes"	(LSB 605)
	11:00	"O Worship the King"	(LSB 804)
		We Rise and Joyfully Sing	

RITE OF BAPTISM – KOLT JACOB SALTER 8:30 AM (LSB 268)

INVOCATION

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

EXHORTATION

- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.
P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the gifts of our Lord Jesus Christ through Word and Sacrament, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

CONFESSION *and* ABSOLUTION

- C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

✠ WORD ✠

INTROIT

Ps. 122; (antiphon: Ps. 122:1)

- P** I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the LORD!”
- C** Our feet have been standing
Within your gates, O Jerusalem!
- P** Jerusalem – built as a city
That is bound firmly together,
- C** to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, as was decreed for Israel,
to give thanks to the name of the LORD.
- P** There thrones for judgment were set,
The thrones of the house of David.
- C** Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!
“May they be secure who love you!”
- P** Peace be within your walls
And security within your towers!”
- C** For my brothers and companions’ sake
I will say, “Peace be within you!”
- P** For the sake of the house of the LORD our God,
I will seek your good.
- C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P** I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the LORD!”

HYMN OF PRAISE**"Glory Be to God the Father"**

(LSB 506)



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to
 2 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each
 3 Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the
 4 Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of



God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:
 spot and stain; Glo - ry be to Him who bought us,
 Church's King, Glo - ry to the King of na - tions;
 an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion!



Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,
 Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,
 Heav'n and earth, your prais - es bring! Glo - ry,
 Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings. Glo - ry,



glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!
 glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!
 glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!
 glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

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SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY**P** The Lord be with you.**C** And also with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess Him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT *Psalm 122* page 17 (A song of ascents. Of David)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "Here I Am to Worship" (Tim Hughes)
Helen Kiepkke, vocal soloist

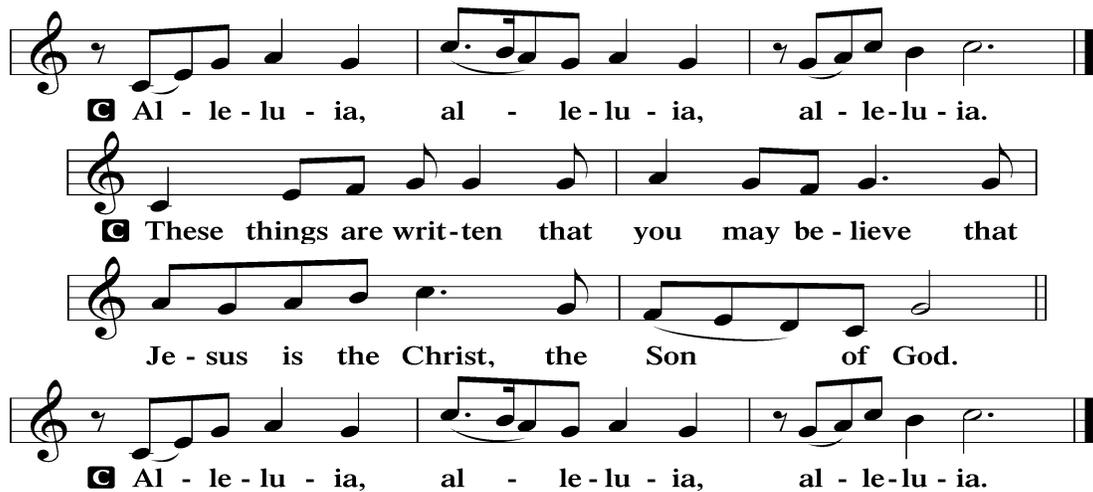
EPISTLE *Hebrews 10:19-25* see page 17 (A Call to Persevere)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA and VERSE



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL *St. Matthew 21:1-11* see page 18 (The Triumphal Entry)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN

"To Your Temple, Lord I Come"

(LSB 981)



1 To Your tem - ple, Lord, I come, For it
2 I through Him am rec - on - ciled, I through
3 While Your glo - rious praise is sung, Touch my
4 While the prayers of saints as - cend, God of



is my wor - ship home. This earth has no
Him be - come Your child. Ab - ba, Fa - ther,
lips, un - loose my tongue That my joy - ful
love, to mine at - tend. Hear me, for Your



bet - ter place, Here I see my Sav - ior's face.
give me grace In Your courts Your love to trace.
soul may bless Christ the Lord, my righ - teous - ness.
Spir - it pleads; Hear, for Je - sus in - ter - cedes.

- 5 While I listen to Your Law,
Fill my soul with humble awe
Till Your Gospel bring to me
Life and immortality.
- 6 While Your ministers proclaim
Peace and pardon in Your name,
Through their voice, by faith, may I
Hear You speaking from the sky.
- 7 From Your house when I return,
May my heart within me burn,
And at evening let me say,
"I have walked with God today."

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SERMON

"I Was Glad..."
Pastor Brad Urbach

(Psalm 122:1)

THE CREED 8:30 *Apostles'* *Inside back cover of the
Lutheran Service Book*
11:00 *Nicene* *Inside back cover of the
Lutheran Service Book*



PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Blessed Lord, You have promised that where two or three are gathered in Your name, You are in the midst of them. Hear the prayers of Your people, and grant our supplications. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Lord God, heavenly Father, You have sent us pastors as watchmen. Let them be ever faithful in calling sinners to repentance and joyfully announcing Your forgiveness to those who heed their warning. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Gracious Father, because You have made us our brother's keeper, fill us with care for the members of our earthly families and for our brothers and sisters in Christ. Forgive our sins and strengthen us to live so that we owe no one anything except to love each other. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Righteous God, You give leaders to every nation and people. Grant us good and wise public servants to bear the sword righteously, defending the innocent and punishing wrongdoers. Guard those who protect us, especially our armed forces, police and firefighters. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Merciful Lord, look with compassion upon those who are struggling with illness, grief, loneliness or any malady [*especially* _____]. Reassure them of Your love, which is like that of the shepherd who seeks and saves the one lost sheep. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** O Lord, grant that we would receive Christ's body and blood with childlike faith. Let us humbly trust that Your forgiveness is poured out for us in this Sacrament. May it

strengthen us in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, because You desire that none of Your little ones should perish and because sin is constantly crouching at our door, we beg You to call us back to Yourself when we are tempted to stray. Deliver us from temptation, and keep us in the faith. Make us humble like little children, seeing how Your Son humbled Himself for us and for our salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

The 8:30 am service continues on page 11 with the Benediction.

IN REGARD TO HOLY COMMUNION: According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22; Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they **receive the true body and blood of Jesus** given and shed for the forgiveness of their sins (Luke 22:19-22).

Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully understand the meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to **please speak with our pastor**, before communing, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

11:00 am Service

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

C Amen.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matt 26:26–28; Mk 14:22–24; Lk 22:19–20; 1 Cor 11:23–25

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

- "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table" (LSB 618)
"Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs" (LSB 812)
"Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices" (LSB 811)



(Please stand)

NUNC DIMITTIS

C 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

- P** Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the

true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise" (LSB 917)

1 Sav - ior, a - gain to Thy dear name we raise
 2 Grant us Thy peace up - on our home - ward way;
 3 Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the com - ing night;
 4 Grant us Thy peace through - out our earth - ly life,

With one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;
 With Thee be - gan, with Thee shall end, the day.
 Turn Thou for us its dark - ness in - to light.
 Our balm in sor - row and our stay in strife;

Once more we bless Thee ere our wor - ship cease,
 Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
 From harm and dan - ger keep Thy chil - dren free;
 Then, when Thy voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

Then, low - ly bend - ing, wait Thy word of peace.
 That in this house have called up - on Thy name.
 For dark and light are both a - like to Thee.
 Call us, O Lord, to Thine e - ter - nal peace.

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BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AS WE GATHER Let's go! It is a way to increase our enthusiasm and excitement. The phrase brings to mind childhood friends rounding one another up for a game of football, a friend convincing you to join them for a night out, or a parent reminding their family that they need to leave the house. No matter who speaks it or what the situation might be, "let's go" requires movement and action. Today we focus ourselves with the new annual theme: "Let's Go." As this series unfolds, we will trace our movement to God and then to one another. Today is the foundational action: "Let's Go Worship." We can hear the phrase from God's mouth, graciously inviting us to join him in his presence, to receive anew his love and care, to remember and celebrate the death and resurrection of his Son. We can also hear it from our mouths as we encourage our brothers and sisters to gather in God's house. Then in the coming weeks we will see the other places where God directs us to go.

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the yellow prayer request card. Our Board of Elders are prayerful with our pastors about these joys and struggles of our earthly journey.

"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16b

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost!

We are delighted to have you in worship with us. If you are visiting from out of town, we bid you welcome and God-speed on your journey. Should you be from our community, and have no church home, we invite you to make Faith your church home.

Preaching this morning is Rev. Brad Urbach, our Visitation Pastor. Pastor Sam Handschke is our Liturgist. This is the first of our four-week sermon series entitled "Let's

Go...” It will conclude on October 1 with the theme “Let’s Go Work. On that Sunday we will have a between service “Open House” looking at a portion of our “Work.”

Holy Communion is celebrated at our 11:00 service this Sunday. In this Sacrament, our Lord gives His true body and blood for our forgiveness. Those who confess the faith declared at this altar and who desire to receive communion today are asked to read our communion



statement found in the bulletin. Thank you.

Holy Baptism This morning by God’s extraordinary Word and with ordinary water Kolt Jacob Salter becomes a child of God. Kolt is the son of Jacob & McKenzie Salter.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Wed. Aug. 16, Att. 16, Offering \$225.00; **Sun., Aug. 20, Att. 291;** General Fund \$10,158.04; Sunday School \$0.00; Building Fund \$430.50; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$0.00; Circuit Bible Camp Refund \$450.00; HVAC \$1,500.00; 642 Rent \$1,310.00; Board of Missions \$900.00.

Endowment Fund There are lime green envelopes on the back side of the large center support post in the Narthex for your use. Donations do not have to be in memory of someone, they can be in celebration of an event in your lives, to the glory of God, or any number of happenings in your lives. The envelopes have an area where you can designate where you wish the funds to go. Please use a separate **check** for your donation. Where we deposit the funds does not take cash, so it needs to be in the form of a **check**. The counters cannot always find checks to cover when cash is given. Thanks for your help!

Bible Studies **TODAY** our Adult Bible Study will begin its study of the Gospel of Luke. Class will normally meet Sunday mornings between Church Services (9:45 ish until 10:45 ish), in the St. Matthew Room, upstairs in the Christian Family Life Center. Class members will learn some things that were not taught in Sunday School.

Why is a study of the Gospel of Luke appropriate for me?

Luke's Gospel is written for those who do not have a background in the Jewish faith. Luke provides more detail on Old Testament laws and prophecies to help the student better understand relevant aspects of Jewish culture and Jewish faith. Matthew's and Mark's Gospels were written primarily for Jews, who already had a good background in the Old Testament Scriptures.

Tuesday 9:30 - 11:00 A.M.

THE TRUTH PROJECT: An In-Depth Christian Worldview Experience

Led by Vona Johnson

605.280.7565

Held at Vona's Home (Call for directions)

Starting Date: September 5, 2023

The Truth Project, a Focus on the Family DVD-based small group study, is designed to equip believers with a comprehensive biblical worldview. Practically and personally, participants will be reintroduced to the truth claims of God. Twelve one-hour lessons discuss God's design for living out the Christian worldview in daily life. Most importantly, it addresses the need to marry our actions to our core beliefs.

TUESDAY 10:30 – 11:30 A.M.

UNSHAKABLE

Standing on the Rock When Life Quakes Hard

Led by Karen Lindbloom

Held in the Young Conference room by the church office.

Starting Date: **Tuesday, October 3, 2023**



WEDNESDAY 6:00 –7:00 P.M.

THE ENGAGEMENT PROJECT

Led by Dennis Ryckman

605-222-7713 Held at the church

Starting Date: September 6, 2023

The Engagement Project Class is an essential training course for everyone to know how God is leading us to make Him known in our world today.

READING THE PSALMS

Join us on **Thursday nights at 6:00PM** in the Living Room.

Matt Reitzel will be leading the study.

Join us at the FLC Living Room on Thursday nights at 6:00

for "Reading the Psalms." We will read through the Psalms

responsively and discuss their meaning as found in the *Lutheran Study Bible* and the

Concordia Publishing book *Engaging the Psalms*. Feel free to join us as your schedule

allows. **First meeting Thursday, September 14.** Feel free to join us as your schedule

allows, if you miss a night it doesn't mean you are out of the loop.



Grief Share is a support group for those who have lost a loved one. **When:** TODAY, August 27, 2023 from 2-4 PM with introductory session “Loss of a Spouse.” The following 14 weekly sessions will begin on September 10, 2023 from 2-4 PM **Where:** Community Bible Church located at **1516 N. Harrison** in Pierre. Questions: call Scott at 605-224-3330 or Carol at 605-280-2763, GRIEF Share/CBC cbcpierre.org

LWML Zone Rally Sept. 25, 2023 from 6pm-9pm at Faith Lutheran Church, Pierre, SD.

2023 Christian Life Workshop “The Impact of Original Sin” Presenter is Josh Schmitt, DCE, St. John’s Lutheran Church, Yankton. **Saturday, Sept. 16** at Peace Lutheran Church, 219 E St. Anne St. in Rapid City, SD **OR Saturday, Sept. 30** at Zion Lutheran Church, 1400 S Duluth Ave in Sioux Falls, SD. Registration: 9:30-10:00 am Workshop: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Morning offering for Mites. Freewill donation to cover lunch expenses. Contact Jan Larson if interested 605-280-0862

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! Country Fair will be held **Saturday, Oct. 21** from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at Faith Lutheran Church. Organized by the Faith Lutheran LWML, the annual bazaar raises funds for many worthwhile causes. **HOW YOU CAN HELP:** Make and bring items for the booths: homemade arts and crafts, baked goods, candy, homegrown produce and canned goods. Donate small items to be used in gift baskets (these items should be marked “for gift baskets” and left in the coat closet by Oct. 4). Sign up to furnish items needed to prepare the noon lunch. Volunteer to help in a booth. And be sure to attend Country Fair on October 21st! (For more information, contact Dawn Koch at 605.222.8964 or Kathleen Monfore at 605.280.5945.)

Main Street Living “Main Street Living” is a liturgical worship service broadcasting a different local pastor each Sunday morning. It airs along with the classic Lutheran Hour program, “This is the Life.” Both can be viewed on KDLT (NBC) & KEVN (FOX) Visit www.mainstreetliving.com to view current and past episodes. **Did you know** you can see the Worship Service and Kid's Crossing on our website at anytime? All programs are streamed on www.mainstreetliving.com, and are available the day before they are broadcast.

Sept. 10, 2023 KDLT (NBC) channels 5.1 / 46.1

10:00 AM - “Tina” - Two lonely people, a woman and a child, come together through

Jesus.

10:30 AM - Rev. David Strable, pastor at Holy Cross-Trinity-Immanuel Lutheran Churches in Onida-Blunt-Harrold, presents a message titled “Be a Watchman.” This sermon is based on Ezekiel 33:7-9. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. For more information visit: www.mainstreetliving.com

Life Quotes “There is no more valuable work for God and for all of Christendom than bringing up your children in the faith and trust of Jesus! It’s not hard to believe that if this were our primary aim, that our children would not question their gender, that they would respect their neighbor and love their spouses, that they would welcome the opportunity to serve the public with politics that reflect solid biblical values, and that they would continue to attend church well after confirmation!” *Rev. Jeff Duncan, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Faith Lutheran Youth

Midweek/Catechism classes began Wednesday, September 6th at 6:00 pm. This is for ALL our 2nd-8th graders.

Bible Bowl 2024 We received word from the South Dakota LCMS district on the 2024 Bible Bowl. The books of the Bible are Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon. Students from sixth grade to seniors are eligible to participate. The statewide competition is before Palm Sunday. For more information or to register please see Bible Bowl coach LeRoy Kropuenske. He is around on Sunday for Sunday School and Wednesday for confirmation.

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Sept. 10

8:30 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School/Luke Study
11:00 am Communion
12:00 pm Church Picnic in Gym
2:00 pm Board of Education
6:00 pm Board of Elders
6:30 pm John 1, 2, 3 Bible Study
7:30 pm Board of Missions

Mon: Sept. 11

7:00 pm Men’s Club
7:00 pm LWML

Tues: Sept. 12

8:00 am Staff Devotions
9:30 am Truth Project
6:15 pm Bd. of Property Management
7:00 Berea Circle

Wed: Sept. 14

6:00 pm Midweek/Catechism

6:00 pm Engagement Project

7:00 pm Chapel/Communion

8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: Sept. 14

8:00 am Staff Devotions

6:00 pm Reading the Psalms

Sat: Sept. 16

1-3 pm JYM

Sun: Sept. 17

8:30 am Communion

9:45 am Sunday School/Luke Study

11:00 am Worship

1:00 pm Board of Stewardship/Endow.

5:00 pm Board of Parish Fellowship

7:30 pm Board of Missions

6:30 pm 1, 2, 3 John Bible Study

The Old Testament Reading

Psalm 122

**Let Us Go to the House of
the LORD**

A Song of Ascents. Of David.

122 I was glad when they said to me,

“Let us go to the house of
the LORD!”

² Our feet have been standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem!

³ Jerusalem—built as a city
that is bound firmly together,

⁴ to which the tribes go up,
the tribes of the LORD,
as was decreed for^[a] Israel,
to give thanks to the name of

the LORD.

⁵ There thrones for judgment were
set,

the thrones of the house of David.

⁶ Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!

“May they be secure who love you!

⁷ Peace be within your walls

and security within your towers!”

⁸ For my brothers and companions'
sake

I will say, “Peace be within you!”

⁹ For the sake of the house of

the LORD our God,

I will seek your good.

The Epistle Lesson

Hebrews 10:19-25

The Full Assurance of Faith

¹⁹ Therefore, brothers,^[a] since we have
confidence to enter the holy places
by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new
and living way that he opened for us
through the curtain, that is, through
his flesh, ²¹ and since we have a great
priest over the house of God, ²² let us
draw near with a true heart in full
assurance of faith, with our
hearts sprinkled clean from an evil
conscience and our bodies washed
with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast
the confession of our hope without

wavering, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

The Gospel Lesson **Matthew 21:1-11** **The Triumphal Entry**

21 Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." ⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

⁵ "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt,^[a] the foal of a beast of burden.'"

⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. ⁸ Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" ¹⁰ And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?" ¹¹ And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."

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