

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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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 ✠

N-4th Sunday School Sing (11:00 am) I Love to Tell the Story Verse 1
Father Abraham

OPENING HYMN 8:30 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" (LSB 803)
11:00 "Father Welcomes" (LSB 605)

HOLY BAPTISM OF BRECKEN HUGHES 11:00 (LSB 268)

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

EXHORTATION

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and

eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. 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 \dagger Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

\dagger **WORD** \dagger

INTROIT

Ps 61:10; (antiphon: Ps. 146:2)

P I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

C I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;
my soul shall exult in my God,

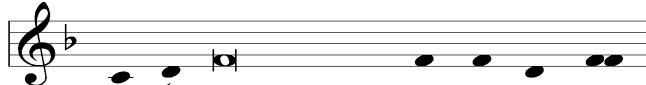
P for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation;
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,

C as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

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 will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

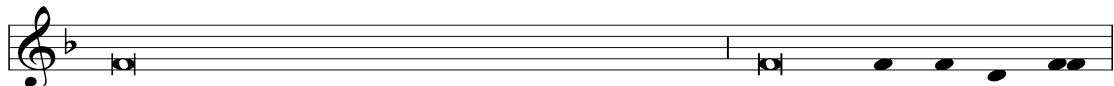
KYRIE



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



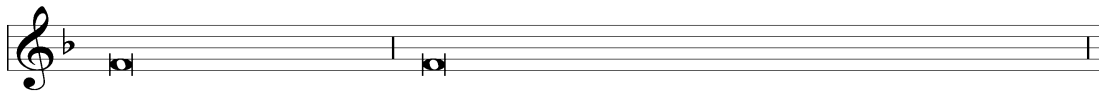
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



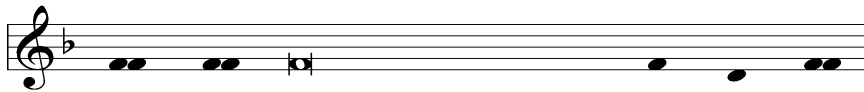
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



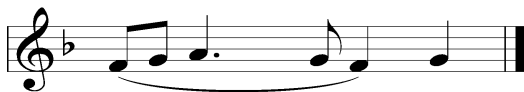
let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS “*Glory to God in the Highest*”

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.

C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:
We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.
You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.
For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,
You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 25:6–9 (On this mountain the Lord will make a feast for all peoples and will cast off the veil of death forever.)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM Meditation on RESIGNATION & BEACH SPRING (*Sondra K. Tucker*)
Andrew Wulf, flute soloist

EPISTLE *Philippians 4:4–13* (“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.”)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

ALLELUIA and VERSE

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. Below the first staff, the lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the" are written. The second staff continues the melody with quarter and eighth notes. Below the second staff, the lyrics "words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." are written. A common time signature (C) is placed at the beginning of the second staff. The piece ends with a double bar line.

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 22:1–14* (Many are called; few are chosen.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the ninth and tenth chapters.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

BIBLE LESSON

SERMON HYMN "The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us" *(LSB 514)*

SERMON "Invited to the Feast" (Matthew 22:1-14)
Pastor Sam Handschke

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

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

(Please stand)

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.
- P** Heavenly King, Your Son, Jesus Christ, purchased the Church with His precious blood. Preserve her in the pure teaching of Your Word, in the right use of the Sacraments and in the unity of the faith. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Heavenly King, You send out Your invitation that all who believe in Your Son should take their seats at His feast. By the proclamation of Your Church, gather many, however evil they may be, to repent and fill Your eternal banquet hall. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Heavenly King, bless all families and the homes in which our people dwell. Grant grace to husbands and wives, that they may fulfill their vocations to one another and to their children. Grant also that, as a family, they may faithfully teach and learn the faith. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Heavenly King, keep the coming of Your Son always at the forefront of heart and mind, that subject for His sake to the fleeting powers of this world, we may live in



continual godliness and the peace that passes all understanding. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly King for whom we wait, You promise to wipe away the tears from all faces. Bless [_____ and] all who weep here, that at the last they may be comforted, restored and received into the banquet of heaven. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly King, You have prepared a table before us in the midst of those who refuse Your invitation. Keep Your Church unstained by the world, that we may partake of our Lord's Supper worthily, clothed in His baptismal grace. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly King, give us such joy in pursuing what is true, just, pure and worthy of praise that, spurning the temptations of this world, we would suffer no anxiety. Let our trust be placed fully in Christ and let our hope rest in the life of the world to come; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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.**

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 pastors, 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** ✠
8:30 am service

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

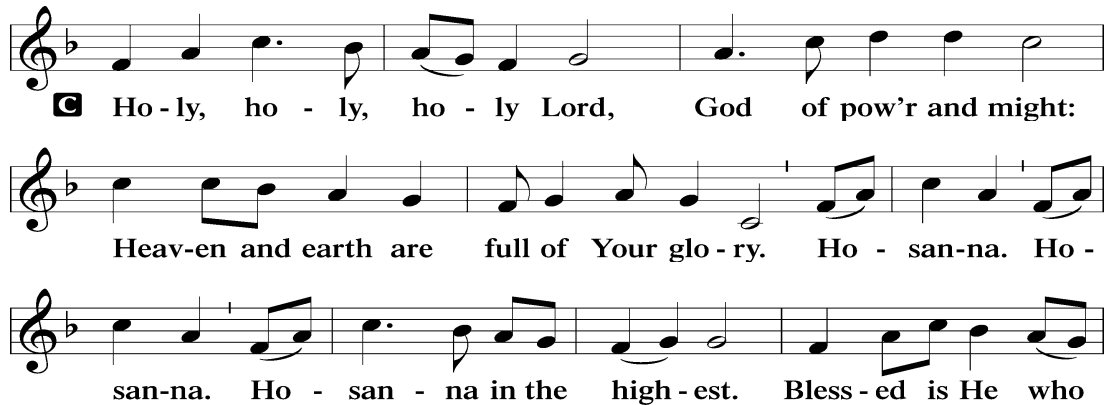
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

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, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who at His transfiguration revealed His glory to His disciples that they might be strengthened to proclaim His cross and resurrection and with all the faithful look forward to the glory of life everlasting. 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 pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

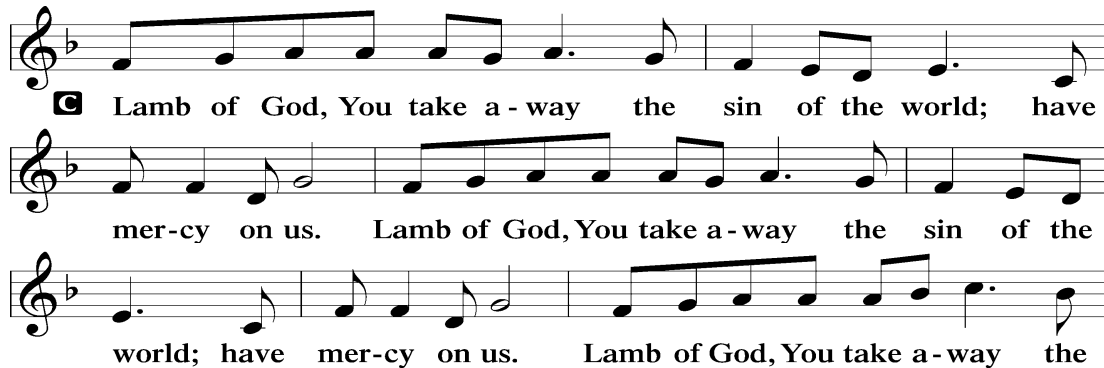
Matt 26:26–28; Mk 14:22–24; Lk 22:19–20; 1 Cor 11:23–25

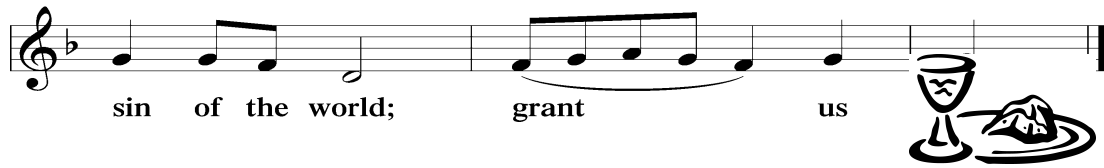
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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

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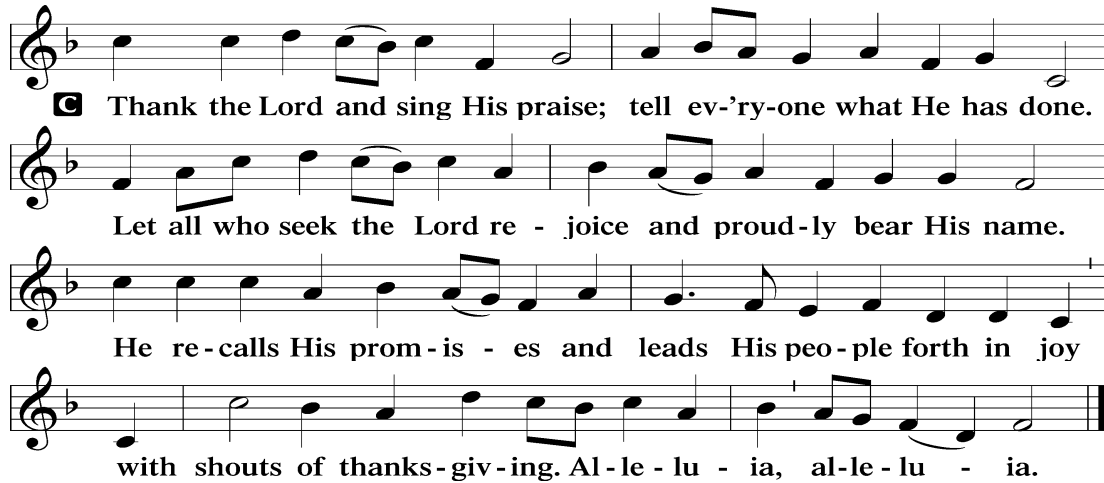
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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

- "Be Present at Our Table, Lord" (LSB 775)
- "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face" (LSB 631)
- "Behold a Host, Arrayed in White" (LSB 676)

(Please stand)

THANK THE LORD



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P 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 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.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

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.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

(LSB 733)

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST**



AS WE GATHER Food is at the center of our lives—we either live to eat or eat to live, but we always eat. In the parable of our Lord this morning, we hear the kingdom of God compared to a wedding feast. When those invited proved to be unworthy, God called every kind of person from the highways and byways of life and equipped them with a wedding garment as well as an honored place at His table. This feast is the promise of Isaiah the prophet, the joyful refrain of the beloved Psalm 23, and the promise still given and kept by our Lord as we gather around His holy body and blood. But the Meal is not simply about the eating, but the food—Christ’s flesh for the life of the world and His blood that cleanses us from all our sin. Because of this, it is the supper of our joy here on earth and the supper of our glory in heaven forevermore.

At last the march shall end; The wearied ones shall rest; The pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest. Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! LSB 813:6

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the back of the blue attendance/communion 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 Twentieth 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. Samuel Handschke.

Holy Communion is celebrated at our 8:30 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.



Want to listen to our worship service via livestream? Go to: www.faithluth.com. Click on livestream and it will take you to the service or if you have missed the service it will take you to the archived services. We livestream our 8:30 service each Sunday.



Holy Baptism This morning at our 11:00 service Brecken Hughes becomes a son of God through ordinary water and God's extraordinary Word. Brecken is the child of Tyler and Carly Hughes. May God continue to bless Brecken and his family.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Wed. Oct. 4, Att. 82, Offering \$700.00; **Sun., Oct. 8, Att. 235;** General Fund \$7,796.37; Sunday School \$14.00; Building Fund \$40.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; HVAC \$500.00; State of SD Daycare Grant \$1,601.72; Memorial Stone \$35.00; Human From Day One Concert \$200.00.

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 There is still time to join one of our adult Bible Studies.

Sundays between Worship services, **9:45-10:45**, in the St. Matthew (LWML) Room, we are studying the *Gospel of Luke*. On **Sunday evenings, at 6:30**, the *1, 2, 3 John* study continues in the Living Room.

Mondays

7:30 pm *The Book of Acts* **639 N Euclid Ave** for Middle & High School Youth

Tuesday mornings

9:30-11:00 *The Truth Project* in the home of Vona Johnson, call for directions

605-280-7565

10:30-11:30 *Unshakable* in the Young Conference Room

Wednesday evenings

6:00-7:00 *Luke* (Round two) for those who missed Sunday or Wed. works better

6:00-7:00 *The Engagement Project* at the church

6:30 pm A new Bible study of the Gospel according to John will begin on Wednesday October 18th. We will meet in various homes on Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm. A Concordia Publishing House study guide written by Rev Dr. Richard Reinisch will assist our study. We would welcome new members to our study group. If interested please contact David Zuercher (605-222-8424) for more information.

Thursday evenings

6:00-7:00 *Reading the Psalms* in the Living Room at church.

Faith circle is again seeking addresses for the recent 2023 graduates as well as the college students of Faith. Our circle not only sends these young adults small gifts of encouragement but we are also covering them with prayer. It is only through your help that we are able to fulfill this mission within our church, so we thank you very much.

A Reminder...to all parents of college age students to send the stamped, pre-addressed post cards they had been sent, back to the church with your student's college address and their current grade (freshman, sophomore, junior or senior). Faith Circle is getting ready to send our college students something this month and would like to send them to the correct addresses.

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.

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KDLT (NBC) channels 5.1 / 46.1

10:00 AM - “Conspiracy of Silence” - A husband and wife come to grips with a terminal illness.

10:30 AM - Rev. Albert Sutton, pastor at Evergreen Lutheran Church in Evergreen, SD presents a message titled, "More than Just Keeping a Positive Attitude." This sermon is based on Philippians 4:4-12. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. For more information visit: www.mainstreetliving.com

Life Quotes “For all who have been damaged by the sin of abortion—and for all who have been complicit by not speaking up in defense of innocent babies—repent, and then hear the sweet and comforting words of Jesus: ‘Come to me, all who labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest’ (Matthew 11:28). God give us courage to engage in the battle For Life!” *Pastor Paul Clark, President of Lutherans For Life of Michigan – 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.

Middle and High School Bible Study

What: Bible Study for middle/high school youth on the book of Acts

Why: To provide a gospel focused community for teens from all walks of life and to help them to grow in their relationship with God and encouragement of one another.

Where: The Church House - **639 N. Euclid**

When: Mondays at 7:30pm

Invite your friends and bring your Bible to come learn what God has to say through the book of Acts!

Contact Cassandra Ryckman (605-222-4895) or Peter Iverson (605-645-0951) if you are interested or have any questions. Look forward to having you attend!

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Oct. 15

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

Mon: Oct. 16

6:30 pm Prayer Care

Tues: Oct. 17

8:00 am Staff Devotions
9:30 am *Truth Project*
10:30 am *Unshakable* Women's Study
5-8 pm Oahe Child Develop. Taco Feed
6:15 pm Board of Property Management

7:00 pm Berea Circle

7:00 pm Choir

Wed: Oct. 18

6:00 pm Midweek/Catechism
6:00 pm *Luke* Bible Study

6:00 pm *Engagement Project*

6:30 pm *Hebrews* (in homes)

7:00 pm Chapel/Communion

8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: Oct. 19

8:00 am Staff Devotions

12:00 pm Forever Young Potluck

2pm-9pm Country Fair Set-up

6:00 pm *Reading the Psalms*

7:00 pm Faith Circle

Fri: Oct. 20

Country Fair Set-up All Day

Sat: Oct 21

9 am-1 pm Country Fair

Sun: Oct. 22

8:30 am Worship

9:30 am Rebekah Circle in Young Room

9:45 am Sunday School/*Luke* Study

11:00 am Communion

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



Faith Lutheran Church Fall Festival
Saturday, October 28, 2023
3:00 PM- 6:00 PM

**Food & Drinks, Bounce Houses, Games, Hay Maze, Prizes
and More!
Please Join Us!**