THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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✢ DIVINE SERVICE – SETTING FOUR ✢
LSB 203

OPENING HYMN "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" (LSB 411)

INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION *and* ABSOLUTION

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 body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, 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.

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.**

✢ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✢

INTROIT

Psalm 143:2, 5–6, 10–11; antiphon: v. 1

P Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!

C **In Your faithfulness answer me, in Your righteousness!**

P Enter not into judgment with Your servant,

C **for no one living is righteous before You.**

P I remember the days of old; I meditate on all that You have done;

C **I ponder the work of Your hands.**

P I stretch out my hands to You;

C **my soul thirsts for You like a parched land.**

P Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God!

C **Let Your good Spirit lead me on level ground!**

P For Your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!

C **In Your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!**

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 Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!

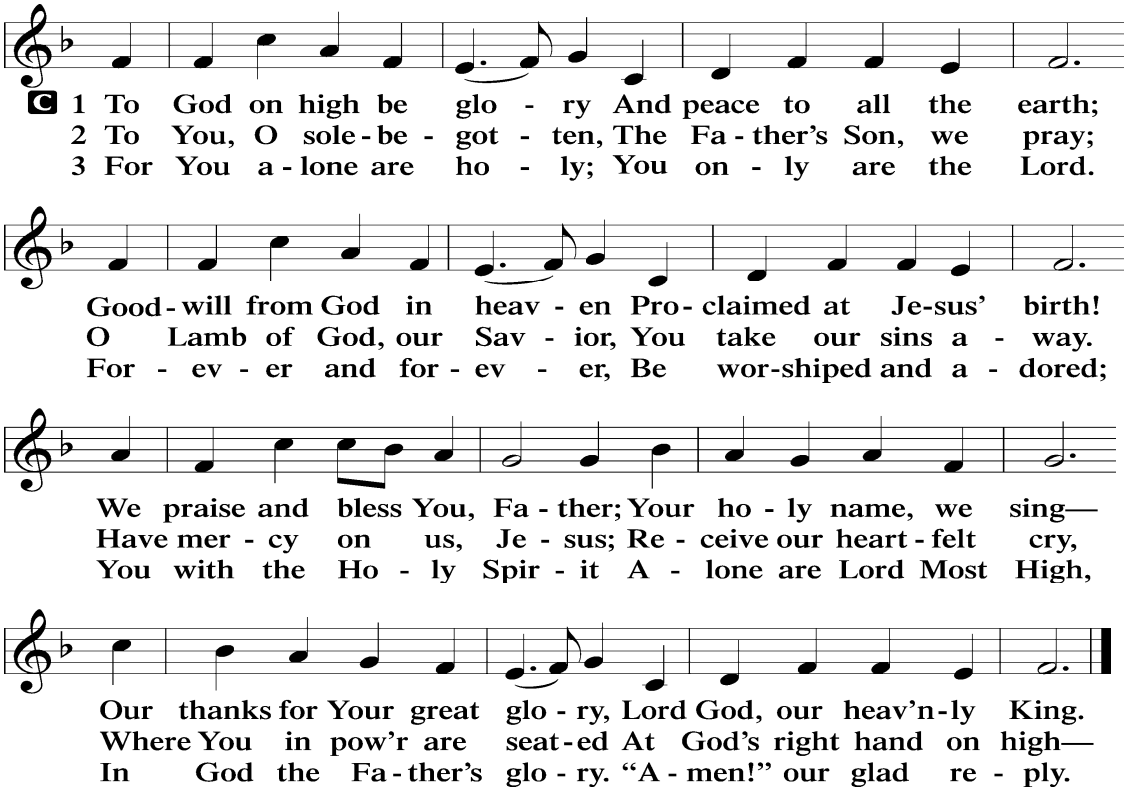
C **In Your faithfulness answer me, in Your righteousness!**

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



SALUTATION *and* COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Dispel from us the works of darkness and grant us to live in the light of Your Son, Jesus

Christ, that our faith may never be found wanting; 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 *Zephaniah 1:7–16* (The day of the Lord is near and coming quickly.)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "Children of Light"…Valerie Ann Webdell

Faith Choir

In memory of Brooks Monfore

Ephesians 5:8

For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light.

EPISTLE *Thessalonians 5:1–11* (The Lord has not destined us for wrath but to obtain salvation through Jesus Christ.)

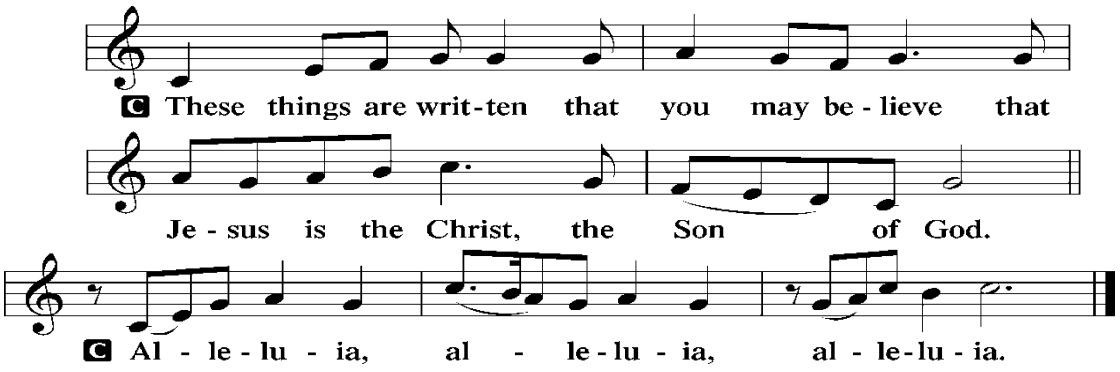
After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA *and* **VERSE**





HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 25:14–30* (The day of the Lord will be like a man who entrusts his servants with his property.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the twenty-fifth chapter.
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)

SERMON HYMN "The Day is Surely Drawing Near" (*LSB* 508)
Verses 1-4 before Sermon, verses 5-7 after Sermon

SERMON *Pastor Jordon Andreasen*

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OFFERING AND SHARING GOD'S PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH



℗ Lord, in Your mercy,

℄ hear our prayer.

℗ … one God, now and forever.

℄ Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9–13

℄ 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, with and under the bread and wine 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 ✢
Both Services

PREFACE

℗ The Lord be with you.

℃ **And also with you.**

℗ Lift up your hearts.

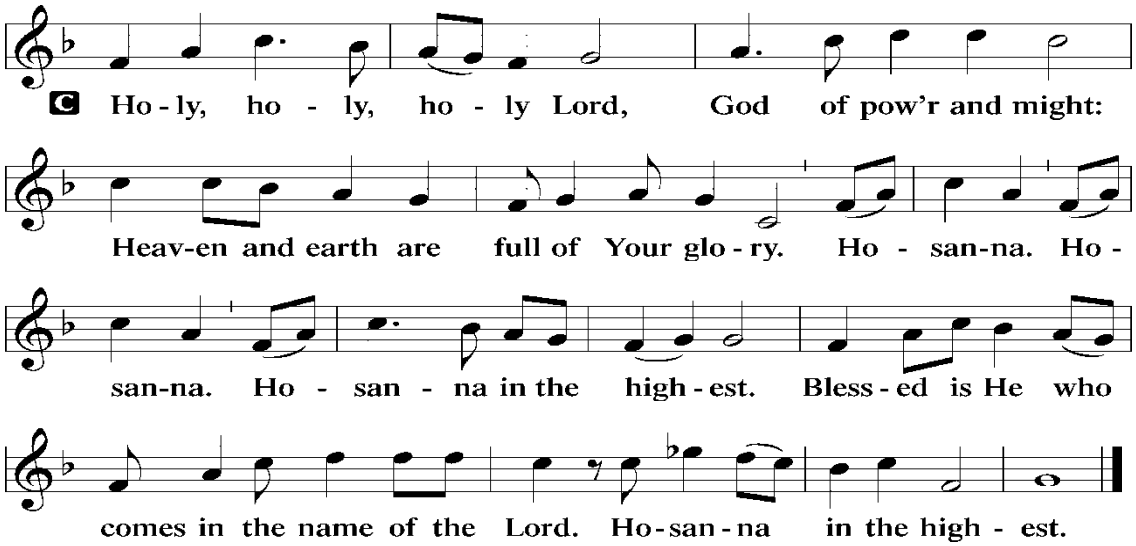
℃ **We lift them to the Lord.**

℗ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

℃ **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

℗ 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



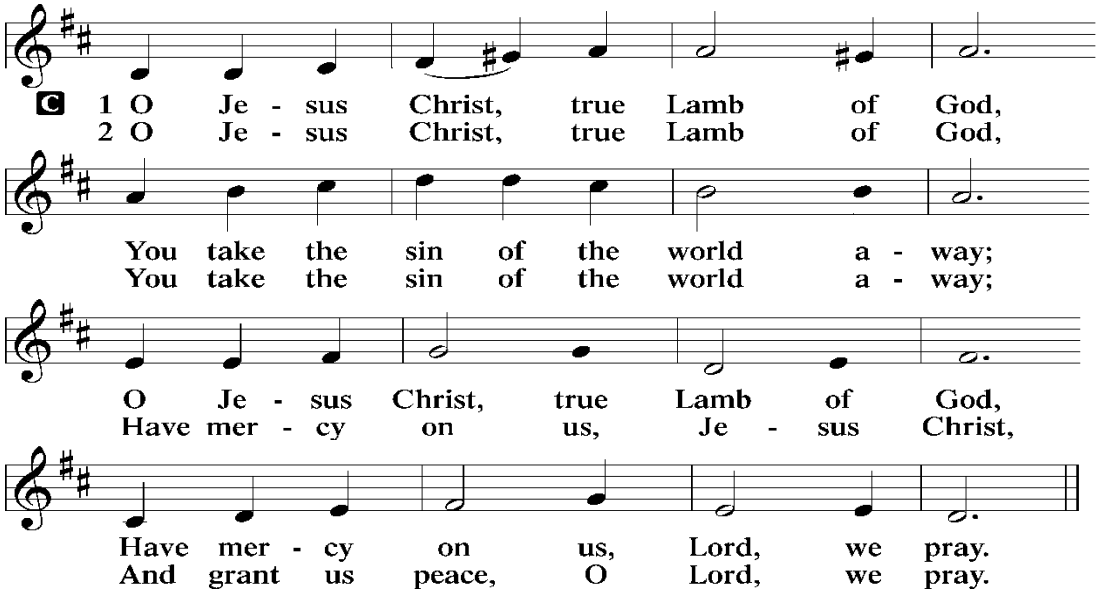
WORDS OF OUR LORD *Matt 26:26–28; Mk 14:22–24; Lk 22:19–20; 1 Cor 11:23–25*

PAX DOMINI

℗ The peace of the Lord be with you always.

℃ Amen.

AGNUS DEI



(Please be seated)

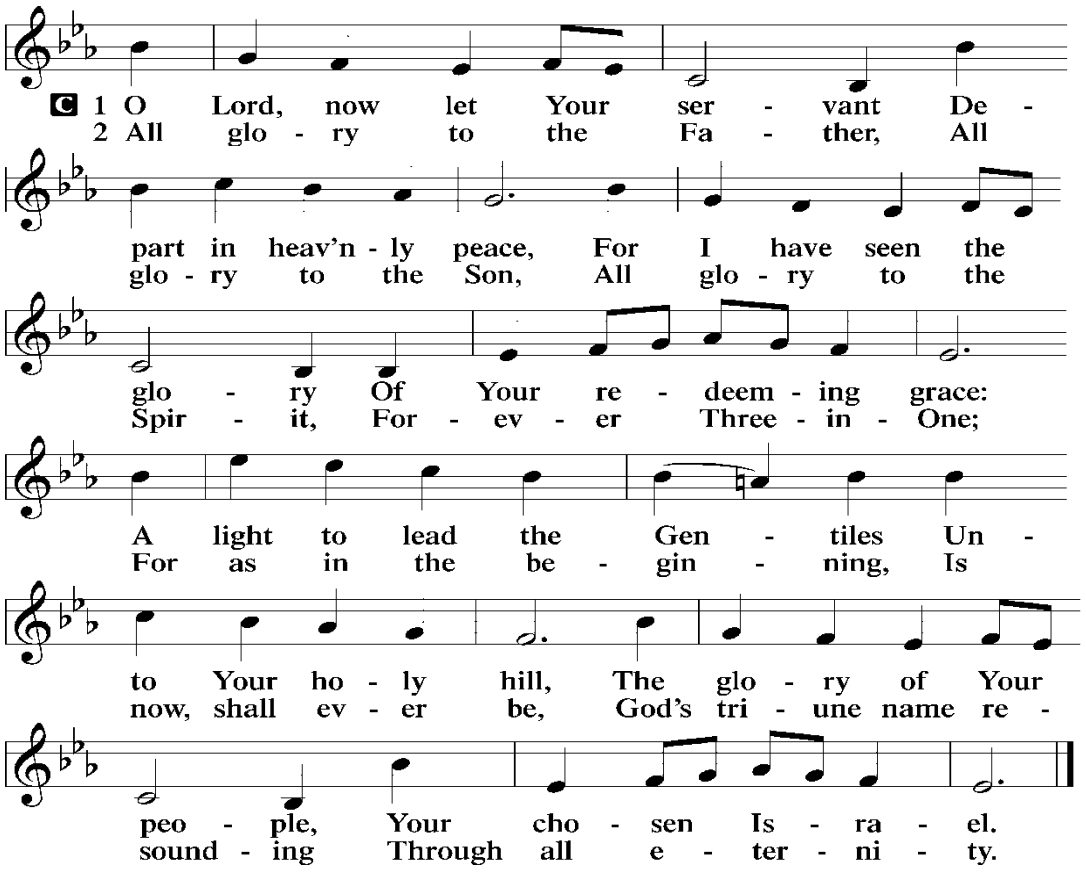
DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Take My Life and Let It Be" (*LSB* 783)
"Rise My Soul, to Watch and Pray" (*LSB* 663)
"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" (*LSB* 655)



(Please rise)

NUNC DIMITTIS



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.**

BENEDICAMUS

Psalm 103:1

℗ Let us bless the Lord.

℄ Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26



℗ 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.



CLOSING HYMN "The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns" (*LSB* 532)

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THE ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



AS WE GATHER The prophet Zephaniah calls for silence as the day of the Lord draws near. The Lord has prepared the sacrifice and invited His guests to witness what happens next (Zephaniah 1:7). The people believe that the Lord is apathetic and indifferent (v. 12), which has given them license to do as they please. The day is coming when the people will realize how wrong they are. Paul has a similar warning for the Thessalonians and anyone who believes that everything is fine just the way it is, especially those who act in the darkness (1 Thessalonians 5:2–4). Finally, Jesus describes the day of the Lord with

the parable of the talents (Matthew 25:14–30). In the end, the Lord will reveal the ways we have misjudged His character. Until then, He points us to the place where His most crucial character trait is revealed. It is the sacrifice of the only One worthy of hearing those words, "Well done, good and faithful servant," so that you might be invited to enter into the joy of your Master.

Teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom. Psalm 90:12

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 Twenty-fifth 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.

Delivering our message this morning is Pastor Jordon Andreasen. The Rev. Jordon and Alison Andreasen serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod as career missionaries in Romania. In this role, Jordon works with the Confessional Lutheran Church in Romania to plant Lutheran congregations in Romania and in the surrounding Balkan-Mediterranean subregion. Prior to becoming a missionary, Rev. Andreasen served St. John Lutheran in Wagner and Trinity Lutheran in Fairfax (2012–2018), and Our Savior Lutheran in Aberdeen and St. John's Lutheran in Columbia (2018–2023).

Holy Communion is celebrated at **both services** 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.



Pastoral Care This is Pastor Tom Penrod, from Emmanuel, Gettysburg, Immanuel, Wecota and Concordia, Cresbard. I am blessed to serve as your visitation and 8th grade confirmation teacher during your vacancy period. I will be here most Tuesday afternoons visiting the homebound and making home visits to shut-ins at the nursing homes and assisted living facilities and I will be at Faith offices on Wednesday mornings and making visitations in the afternoon and then teaching 8th grade confirmation on Wednesday evenings. I will also be available on an as needed/as available call for hospital visits. I am available by cell phone and text at 605-769-0235 and by email at pastortompenrod@gmail.com. PS You will also see me in the pulpit once in a while, the next time is Sunday, November 29, 2026.

Vacancy Information I would encourage all to attend Sunday Morning services during this time of transition. The Board of Elders is planning to have services at the same time on Sunday morning. The District President has been looking for a Vacancy Pastor to come to Pierre. Pastor Penrod has agreed to be the Pastor to call **in case of an emergency**. His phone number is **605-769-0235**. The Board of Elders is also working to call a Pastor to be in Pierre. Pastor Otten can be reached at **605-630-9541**.

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.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sun., Nov. 8, Att. 241; General Fund $9,253.92; Sunday School $11.00; Building Fund $70.00; Love Fund $100.00; Contingency Fund $100.00; Extra Missions $160.00; Mexico Mission $710.00; Broadcasts $120.00; Dakotamart $400.00 (Preschool) $200.00, (Daycare) $200.00; Endowment Fund (Blessings) $25.00; Branson Trip $11,308.00; LWML Country Fair (LYF) $500.00, (Preschool) $400.00, (Daycare) $400.00; Men's Club Breakfast $905.00.

Endowment Fund There are envelopes in your box of envelopes to 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!



Voters Meeting We will have our December voters meeting on December 6th between services at 9:45. This is the meeting at which we will vote on our work plan for 2027 among other items. Come, enjoy First Sunday treats and stay to find out what is going on in our congregation.

First Sunday of the Month Fellowship Our fellowship this December is provided by the women of Rebekah Circle. Come get some goodies and coffee and then stay for our December Voters Meeting. All adult members are able to vote on the issues.

Looking for Helpers Helen is looking for someone or several people to answer the phone in the mornings from December 1 through December 4.

Helen is taking vacation to go to Branson. You may bring a book to read, your knitting, crocheting, anything you can do that will keep you fairly close to the phone. You will not need to do anything with the computer or anything else to do with the office work. Let Helen know if you can help. Thanks!

Collection for Pastor Utecht Ministry and Christmas Party at Rosebud
The Board of Missions is sponsoring a collection for Pastor Utecht's ministry in Rosebud and Parmalee. An area is set up in the Narthex to collect the following items:

Christian Books/Games for Gifts*
Nonperishable food items
Toilet paper and other such items
Laundry detergent

*If you would rather donate monetarily, these books and games will be purchased. Please donate by December 1st so the books and games will arrive.

Thank you for your generosity. On Sunday December 20th we will take a church van to Rosebud with the items collected, departing at Noon. Please join us on this trip. While in Rosebud we will Christmas carol, help with a community meal, assist with the puppet play presentation, and distribute items collected from our Faith Lutheran congregation. If you would like to go along, please notify the church office.

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Faith Library Do you know that Faith Lutheran Church has a small library section for our church congregation members?

Did you notice the new rolling book cart by Berea Circle's gift area?
The items available are: adult and children's reading books; adult, youth and children's videos; Bible commentaries and other reference materials; maps and charts and audio and written Bibles.

Instructions for checking out and returning items are located in the

library section.

Anyone wishing to *donate materials* to the library may do so by placing them in the basket in the west cabinet by Berea Circle's gift area. See the list below for items we wish to acquire. Keep in mind we have a very limited space.

If anyone has borrowed the following items in the past their return would be greatly appreciated:

People's Bible Commentaries published by Concordia Publishing House
They are out of print, but we would like to complete the set:
Proverbs
Isaiah 1-39
Haggai/Zechariah/Malachi
Mark
Romans

Maps that are missing:
The Exodus/The Divided Kingdom
The Conquest of Canaan/The Assyrian Empire
The Persian Empire/The Judges of Israel
The Tabernacle/The Babylonian Empire
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Caroling The Board of Missions will sponsor a night of caroling on Thursday, December 17th. Please join us at the church at 6:00 pm and we will enjoy sharing the 'Reason for the Season' with our local community and handing out Christmas goodies. We will meet at the church afterwards for hot chocolate, goodies, and fellowship.

Mexico Mission Rummage Sale Thank You Thank you to everyone who donated items and/or came and shopped or donated your time to help. It was a great success. The proceeds will be used to purchase Bibles and Gospel tracts and materials to build the next house, which will be for the Mexico Mission trip in June 2027.

Building Healthy Families: Still Growing, Still Giving, Still Loved!
Who says growing older means your best days are behind you? Certainly not God! The later years of life can bring a cascade of unwelcome changes. Departed loved ones are missed, familiar routines change, and some days feel really lonely. But one thing never changes: God's love for you and His promises in Christ Jesus. The wisdom you've gained, the prayers you offer, the encouragement you share, and the faith you've lived through life's joys and sorrows are precious gifts to your family, congregation, and community. Psalm 92:14 reminds us that even in old age, God's people *"still bear fruit."* What a wonderful reminder! Keep praying, encouraging, sharing your stories, and reminding younger generations of God's faithfulness. You are never too old to make a difference in someone's life, and you are never beyond the loving care of your Savior. Lutheran Family Service | www.LutheranFamilyService.org

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

10:00am - "Amazing Grace" - A man who has come from a poor beginning to a rich and full life must learn not to forsake his Christian beginnings.

10:30 AM - Rev. Joshua Jones, pastor at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Rapid City, SD, presents a message titled "Knowing the Master". The sermon is based on Matthew 25:14-30. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. For more information visit: **www.mainstreetliving.com**

Life Quotes "Tragedies are a reminder that we do live in a fallen world, and we all need to repent. We thank God for the time He has given us in this life to repent. We recognize our sin. We confess our sin. We trust that Jesus

did everything for our forgiveness. Out of thanks for God's gift of forgiveness, let's be living fig trees. Each day let's bear good fruit, showing our faith, and giving glory to God in everything we do." *Rev. Darren Green, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Faith Lutheran Youth



Education Program Volunteers Needed Needed: adults willing to help as teachers, substitutes and leaders for various educational programs, including Sunday School, Midweek, Bible Study, LYF and other events. Flexible scheduling. Contact Ellen Blauert, Julie Coppersmith, Amy Hatheway or Jessica Paul for more information -or- visit vbsmate.com/volunteers/Faithluthpierre2026/32595 to sign up as a volunteer.

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Nov. 15
8:30 am Communion
9:45 am Sunday School/*Revelation*
9:45 am *Raising…Kids* Study
11:00 am Communion
Mon: Nov. 16
5:30 pm Monday Men
6:30 pm Prayer Care
Tues: Nov. 17
10:30 am Women's Bible Study
Wed: Nov. 18
5:45 pm *Revelation* at Wulf's
6:00 pm *Clearly Christian* Study
6:00 pm Midweek
6:30 pm *Isaiah* In Homes
8:00 pm LYF
Thurs: Nov. 19
12:00 Forever Young
Thanksgiving Potluck
5-8 pm MomCo in Jon's Place
6:30 pm Church Council
Sun: Nov. 22
8:30 am Communion
9:45 am Sunday School/*Revelation*
9:45 am *Raising…Kids* Study
11:00 am Communion

Psalm 90

From Everlasting to Everlasting

A Prayer of Moses, the man of God.

90 Lord, you have been our dwelling place[a]
in all generations.
2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
3 You return man to dust
and say, “Return, O children of man!”[b]
4 For a thousand years in your sight
are but as yesterday when it is past,
or as a watch in the night.
5 You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream,
like grass that is renewed in the morning:
6 in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;
in the evening it fades and withers.
7 For we are brought to an end by your anger;
by your wrath we are dismayed.
8 You have set our iniquities before you,
our secret sins in the light of your presence.
9 For all our days pass away under your wrath;
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.
10 The years of our life are seventy,
or even by reason of strength eighty;
yet their span[c] is but toil and trouble;
they are soon gone, and we fly away.
11 Who considers the power of your anger,
and your wrath according to the fear of you?
12 So teach us to number our days
that we may get a heart of wisdom.