

Sunday, August 13, 2023

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Serving us in worship today: Leaders: Pastor Dan Cave, Intern Pastor Andrew Cave; Lay Reader: Brian Baker; Children's Church: Kim Kauitzsch; Ushers: Jud Alexander, Mark Herbold, Cecil Schulze, Chase White; AV: Andrew Kuehne, Betty Moltz

Welcome to Worship!

Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church, a people who love and follow Jesus Christ, our Lord! We are blessed and honored that you chose to be with us today! Our guests are encouraged to sign the red guestbook located at the Welcome Table in the entry hall. First time visitors, be sure to pick up a red welcome bag in the narthex.

We ask everyone to please complete the attendance sheet in the black folder and then pass it down the pew.

Children are invited to come forward for a special blessing before meeting for Children's Church. (Ages Pre-K through 3rd grade)

Prayer Cards

You will find prayer request cards on the welcome table and in the brochure wall holder in the office hallway. We ask that anyone needing special prayer please fill them out and place cards in the box located on the Welcome Table in the Narthex.

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF THE PEACE

RINGING OF BELL

Please stand.

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

HYMN: "Earth and All Stars" LBW #558

Earth and all stars! Loud rushing planets!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Oh, victory! Loud shouting army!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!

Refrain

He has done marvelous things, I too will praise him with a new song!

- 3) Trumpet and pipes! Loud clashing cymbals!Sing to the Lord a new song!Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud humming cellos!Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain
- 5) Classrooms and labs! Loud boiling test tubes!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Athlete and band! Loud cheering people!
 Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain
- Knowledge and truth! Loud sounding wisdom!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Daughter and son! Loud praying members!
 Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

P: When we confess our sins, God forgives us and separates our sins as far as the East is from the West. We sin in what we think, what we do, and what we fail to do. Lord, we come to you this morning and confess that we are sinners in need of a savior.

C: Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us.

P: We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

C: Help us to love others the way that you love us.

P: You are the way, the truth and the life, show us the way of righteousness.

C: May we delight in your will and walk in your ways.

P: By Jesus' blood, and God's love, you are Forgiven, Free, and Redeemed.

C: Thanks be to God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray,

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE: "All Creatures of Our God and King" Verse 7

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Let all things their Creator bless, And worship God in humbleness, O praise Him! Alleluia!

Oh, praise the Father, praise the Son, And praise the Spirit, Three in One.

Refrain

Oh, praise Him! Oh, praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia!

You may be seated.

FIRST READING: Job 38:4-18

- ⁴ "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding.
- ⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it?
- ⁶On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone,
- ⁷ when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy?
- ⁸ "Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb,
- ⁹ when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band,
- ¹⁰ and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors,
- ¹¹ and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed'?
- ¹² "Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, ¹³ that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it?
- ¹⁴ It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment.
- ¹⁵ From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken.
- ¹⁶ "Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? ¹⁷ Have the gates of death been revealed to you,
 - or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?
- ¹⁸ Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.

PSALM 18:1-6

I love you, O LORD, my strength.

- ²The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
- ³I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.
- ⁴The cords of death encompassed me; the torrents of destruction assailed me;
- ⁵ the cords of Sheol entangled me; the snares of death confronted me.

⁶ In my distress I called upon the LORD; to my God I cried for help. From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry to him reached his ears.

SECOND READING: Romans 10: 5-17 (ESV)

⁵ For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶ But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷ "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹ because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹ For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³ For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

¹⁴ How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵ And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" ¹⁶ But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" ¹⁷ So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

Please stand for the Holy Gospel.

GOSPEL: Matthew 14: 22-33

²² Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵ And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

²⁸ And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹ He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³² And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

A: The gospel of our Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

We invite all students, teachers and school personnel to come forward for a special blessing. (Bring your back packs, book bags, totes, etc.!)

MESSAGE: "Waves" Andrew Cave

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Lord, I Lift Your Name On High"

(Please see screen for lyrics)

OFFERING

Please stand as the gifts are presented.

OFFERTORY: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

P: Let us pray. Almighty God,

C: you gave your Son both as sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Please stand.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN: "Go, My Children, With My Blessing" WOV #721 Vs. 1-3

- "Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone. Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own. In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever. Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.
- 2) "Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure. Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure. Here you heard my dear Son's story, here you touched him, saw his glory. Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
- 3) "Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
 Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
 Here my Spirit's power filled you, here my tender comfort stilled you.
 Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free."

DISMISSAL

A: Go In Peace To Love And Serve The Lord! C: Thanks be to God!

SUNDAY MORNINGS AT FAITH

Worship Service – 9:00 AM Fellowship on patio following worship Sunday School – 10:15-11:15 AM

- Pre K-1st Grade in Educational Wing
 - 2nd-5th Grade in Education Wing
- Adult Sunday School- in Activity Center
- Lifebridge (Young Adult) meets in the Life Enrichment Center.

"WORDS OF FAITH" BROADCAST ON KWED

Has been sponsored to the glory of God by Albert and Irene Menn in celebration of our grandson, Cooper Logan Lang's 11th birthday on August 9th. Also in thankfulness for God's healing powers, the prayers, cards, flowers and food provided during Irene's illness.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Have been sponsored to the glory of God by Paul and Jan Quello in thankfulness of their many blessings of health and friends.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS:

Attendance on August, 6 was 157; Month to Date (August): \$13,804.00; YTD Offerings and Misc. \$289,222.25 2023 budgeted offerings is \$511,000.00

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

Judy Saunders Nora Lavelett Carolyn Sagebiel Kelton Lange
Gladys Fruehling Donald Jackson Brad Flippin Steve Foerster
Lillian Lippe Clara Fischer Birdie Kuempel Doris Rinn

Paul Quello Dale Nauert Patti Jahns Debbie Lehmann

David Moltz Fred Blumberg Joan Vanbeek

THIS WEEK AT FAITH

Tuesday, August 15	Men's Bible Study	7:30 AM (AC)
Tuesday, August 15	Staff Mtg.	9:00 AM
Tuesday, August 15	Love Circle	9:30 AM
Wednesday, August 16	Quilters	9:00 AM
Wednesday, August 16	Prayer Group	10:15 AM
Wednesday, August 16	FLY	6:00-7:30
Thursday, August 17	Hope Circle	2:00 PM
Thursday, August 17	Gospel of Mark Bible Study	7:00 PM
Saturday, August 19	AC Rental	

WORKERS FOR NEXT WEEK

Sunday, August 20-Ushers: Mike Andrews, Brandon Westerholm, Paul Kalkwarf, Robert Raetzsch, Ronnie Glenewinkel; Lay Reader: Allison Seidenberger; Greeters: Dianne Chambers, Carol Baker; AV: Andrew Kuehne, Tim Bogisch; Count: Pat Sagebiel, Jody Alexander; Lock Up: Candi Andrews; Security: Aaron Seidenberg; Communion set up: Carlee Goetz, Susan Foerster; Communion clean up: Patti Jahns, Nancy Schlather; Communion Servers: Gail Herbold, Fran Braun, Doris Engelhardt; Communion Aid: Elaine Bennett.

MUSIC GROUPS

All of Faith's music groups will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, August 23. ALL groups always welcome NEW MEMBERS! PLEASE consider joining us! You DO NOT have to be any kind of "accomplished musician" or be able to read music! We all make music to the Glory of God! (And have fun doing it!)

 <u>Joyful Noise</u> – This group is for students K-8. Joyful Noise meets Wednesday nights from 6:00-6:30pm in the choir room. There will be singing, ringing and playing instruments, while the focus is faith development. LeAnne White, the leader of this group can be contacted at lwhite@faithseguin.org if you have questions.

- <u>Hand Bell Choir</u> The Hand Bell choir meets and rehearses on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 in the Sanctuary. Faith Lutheran owns a four octave set of Shulmerich Bells, and we enjoy ringing several different styles and genres of worship music!
- <u>Chancel Singers</u>- Our adult choir meets and rehearses on Wednesday evenings at 7:00. We perform during church services on an average of once or twice a month and enjoy several different styles and genres of music!

<u>CHRISTIAN CUPBOARD</u> Thank you to those of you who have been dropping off items for the Christian Cupboard. Our August items are Hamburger and Tuna Helpers, any variety or brand. Total number of items collected as of August 8 is 69

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP AT FAITH?

If you are interested in finding out more information about Faith, please see Andrew or contact him at 248-687-0485. There will be a NEW MEMBER MEETING/CLASS on TODAY, immediately following our worship service. New members will then be recognized on Sunday, August 20.

NEWSLETTER PRAYER LIST

The prayer list that runs in our monthly newsletter will now be listed on a month to month basis. Those names added in the past two months will remain for September. If you would like a prayer request extended, please contact the church office.

BIBLES REQUESTED FOR CHRISTIAN CUPBOARD

The Christian Cupboard has noticed that after a small donation of Bibles from Faith was made, that they were chosen from the book shelves rather quickly. The want and need from the community is obviously there. If you have any extra Bibles and would like to donate them, please leave them with the food items in the CC basket located in the narthex.

SAVE THE DATES

- SUNDAY, AUGUST 27TH Sunday school RALLY DAY
- SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH 3rd Grade Bible Presentation
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15TH Outdoor Worship and Picnic
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22ND- Women of Faith Thankoffering Service
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH Reformation Sunday/First Communion
- SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH- All Saints Sunday
- SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH Preschool Sunday

CHARITY CIRCLE THANK YOU

Charity Circle wishes to offer a great big THANK YOU to all who donated spiral notebooks and other school supplies or money for completing school kits for Lutheran World Relief. Thanks to your generosity, we have exceeded the number of spiral notebooks that we need to pack 150 school kits. We will either be able to pack additional kits or have some left to use for next year. Thank you again for your kindness and participation in our LWR school kit project.