



**Sunday, July 23, 2023**

***Eighth Sunday after Pentecost***

*Serving us in worship today: Leaders: Pastor Dan Cave, Intern Pastor Andrew Cave;*

*Message: Rev. Dr. Marcus Carlson; Lay Reader: Gina Mannel;*

*Children's Church: Kim Kauitzsch; Ushers: Terry Freeman, Vanita Hodge, Kristy Serold,*

*Joan Vanbeek; AV: Matthew Fransen, Chase White*

### **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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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:** *"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"* LBW #551

1) Joyful, joyful we adore thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love!  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,  
praising thee, their sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
drive the gloom of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
fill us with the light of day.

2) All thy works with joy surround thee,  
Earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird, and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in thee.

3) Thou art giving and forgiving,  
ever blessing, ever blest,  
wellspring of the joy of living,  
ocean-depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,  
all who live in love are thine;  
teach us how to love each other,  
lift us to the joy divine!

## **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! Alleluia!

*You may be seated.*

**PSALM 119: 57-64**

- <sup>57</sup> The LORD is my portion;  
I promise to keep your words.
- <sup>58</sup> I entreat your favor with all my heart;  
be gracious to me according to your promise.
- <sup>59</sup> When I think on my ways,  
I turn my feet to your testimonies;
- <sup>60</sup> I hasten and do not delay  
to keep your commandments.
- <sup>61</sup> Though the cords of the wicked ensnare me,  
I do not forget your law.
- <sup>62</sup> At midnight I rise to praise you,  
because of your righteous rules.
- <sup>63</sup> I am a companion of all who fear you,  
of those who keep your precepts.
- <sup>64</sup> The earth, O LORD, is full of your steadfast love;  
teach me your statutes!

**READING: Ephesians 4:1-16 (ESV)**

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. <sup>7</sup>But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

<sup>8</sup>Therefore it says,

“When he ascended on high he led a host of captives,  
and he gave gifts to men.”

<sup>9</sup>(In saying, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower regions, the earth? <sup>10</sup>He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup>And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, <sup>12</sup>to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup>until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, <sup>14</sup>so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. <sup>15</sup>Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup>from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

## CHILDREN’S CHURCH

### MESSAGE

*Dr. Marcus Carlson*

### HYMN OF THE DAY: *“Glorious Day” (Living He Loved Me)*

- 1) One day when heaven was filled with His praises  
One day when sin was as black as could be  
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin  
Dwelt among men my example is He  
The Word became flesh  
And the light shined among us  
His glory revealed
- 2) One day they led Him up Calv'ry's mountain  
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree  
Suffering anguish despised and rejected  
Bearing our sins my Redeemer is He  
Hands that healed nations  
Stretched out on a tree  
And took the nails for me

#### *Chorus*

Living He loved me dying He saved me  
Buried He carried my sins far away  
Rising He justified freely forever

One day He's coming  
O glorious day, Oh glorious day

- 3) One day the grave could conceal Him no longer  
One day the stone rolled away from the door  
Then He arose over death He had conquered  
Now is ascended my Lord evermore  
Death could not hold Him  
The grave could not keep Him  
From rising again *Chorus*

*Bridge*

One day the trumpets will sound for His coming  
One day the skies with His glory will shine  
Wonderful day my beloved one bringing  
My Savior Jesus is mine *Chorus*

## 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.

*Please be seated.*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Please stand.*

### BENEDICTION

**CLOSING HYMN:** *"What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine (Leaning on the Everlasting Arms)"* WOV #780

1) What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Refrain*

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

2) Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Refrain*

3) What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms; I  
have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Refrain*

### DISMISSAL

A: Go In Peace To Love And Serve The Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

Please join us in the Activity Center from 11:30-1:00 for a discussion with  
Rev. Dr. Marcus Carlson. He will discuss the "Habits of a Healthy Church."  
Food will be provided!

### 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
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 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 Kim Kautzsch in thankfulness of her many blessings.

### FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Have been sponsored to the glory of God by Faith Lutheran Church.

### WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS:

Attendance on July 16 was 163; Month to Date (July): **\$29,925.00**; YTD Offerings and Misc. **\$261,203.50** 2023 budgeted offerings is **\$511,000.00**

### PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

Judy Saunders	Nora Lavelett	Carolyn Sagebiel	Ronnie Glenewinkel
Kelton Lange	Gladys Fruehling	Sandy Wille	Donald Jackson
Brad Flippin	Steve Foerster	Lillian Lippe	Clara Fischer
Birdie Kuempel	Doris Rinn	Paul Quello	Dale Nauert
Irene Menn	Patti Jahns	Debbie Lehmann	Carolyn Zipp

### **THIS WEEK AT FAITH**

Monday, July 24	VDC Ultreya	6:30 PM (AC)
Tuesday, July 25	Men's Bible Study	7:30 AM (AC)
Tuesday, July 25	Staff Mtg.	9:00 AM
Tuesday, July 25	Game Night at SAL	6:30 PM
Wednesday, July 26	Quilters	9:00 AM
Wednesday, July 26	JAM at Starcke Park	10:00 AM
Wednesday, July 26	Prayer Group	10:15 AM
Wednesday, July 26	FLY	6:00-7:30
Thursday, July 27	YET	11:30 AM / 1:00 PM
Thursday, July 27	Book of Job Bible Study	7:00 PM (AC)
Fri./Sat., July 28-29	LCMC District Gathering	St. Paul, NB

### WORKERS FOR NEXT WEEK

Sunday, July 30-Ushers: Mike Andrews, Brandon Westerholm, Paul Kalkwarf, Robert Raetzsch, Ronnie Glenewinkel; Lay Reader: Bill Keller; Greeters: Joan and Ron Vanbeek; AV: Chase White, Diane Gwyther; Count: Diane Terp, Cecil Schulze; Lock Up: Mark Hazel; Security:\_\_\_\_\_; Communion set up: Sharon Westerholm, Susan Foerster; Communion clean up: Gail Herbold, Cathy Wensinger; Communion Servers: Julia Glenewinkel, Jody and Jud Alexander; Communion Aid: Matt Sherwood.

CHRISTIAN CUPBOARD Thank you to those of you who have been dropping off items for the Christian Cupboard. Our July item is cereal, any variety or brand. Total number of items collected as of July 18 is 45.

### 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 Sunday, August 13, immediately following our worship service.** New members will then be recognized on Sunday, August 20.

## **TIME TO BUY SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR LWR SCHOOL KITS**

The stores have their shelves full of school supplies and the sales are on. So please remember to support the Women of Faith in providing school kits for Lutheran World Relief. In November 2022, Charity Circle sent 155 school kits to Lutheran World Relief. We could not have done it without the contributions of money or school supplies by the members of Faith.

This year, we are purchasing many of our supplies in bulk from Amazon. However, the items we need most are **70 sheet spiral notebooks (wide or college ruled)** – no individual sheets of notebook paper. In order to pack 150 school kits, **we need 600 of these spirals.** These are not reasonably priced on Amazon.

Right now, **Wal-Mart and HEB have these 70 sheet spiral notebooks for 35 cents each.**

(Note: At this time, Wal-Mart does not have a limit on the notebooks, but HEB does—I believe the limit is 20.) So, if you would like to support this project by purchasing school supplies, please purchase these spiral notebooks. You can place any school supplies in the appropriate bin/basket in the Narthex by the doors. If you prefer to donate money to support our online purchases, please give it to Doris Engelhardt or turn it in to the church office with school supplies noted in the memo. Thanks for your help and support in this worthwhile project.

## **SAVE THE DATES**

- SUNDAY, AUGUST 13<sup>TH</sup>- Blessing of the Backpacks
- SUNDAY, AUGUST 27<sup>TH</sup> – Sunday school RALLY DAY
- SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Bible Presentation
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup> – Outdoor Worship and Picnic
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup> – Reformation Sunday/First Communion



## **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED**

Our Children's Ministry team is in need of Sunday school teacher help! Our classes have grown, and we need to split our grade levels one more time. This is an excellent opportunity for volunteers to step up and help share the gospel with our youngest members! If we have more than one volunteer, we can split your Sundays each month, etc. PLEASE consider helping with this wonderful ministry. See Kim Kauitzsch for more information.

## **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.