



Sunday, April 5, 2026

7:00 AM Sunrise Service

*Serving us in worship today:* Faith Lutheran Youth: *Music:* Kate Oehlke;  
AV: Volunteers 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!

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand.*

#### LIGHTING OF CANDLE

Y: May the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

C: **Amen.**

Y: The Light of Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

#### EASTER PROCLAMATION

Y: Rejoice now, all heavenly choirs of angels. Exult, all creation around his throne!  
Jesus Christ is risen! And for the victory of so great a king: Sound the trumpet of  
salvation.

Y: Rejoice O earth, in shining splendor, Radiant in the brightness of your king.  
Christ has conquered! Glory fills you! Darkness vanishes forever. Rejoice O holy  
church. Exult in glory. The risen Savior shines upon you!

Y: Let this place now resound with joy, Echoing the mighty song of all God's people.  
He is risen!

C: **He is risen indeed!**

**HYMN: "Were You There"** LBW # 92 Verse #4

**Were you there when God raised him from the tomb?  
Were you there when God raised him from the tomb?  
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when God raised him from the tomb?**

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Y: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Y: Gracious God, we confess that we have followed our own will instead of trusting Yours.

We have listened to voices that lead us away from You. We have sinned in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We cannot free ourselves

**C: For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that Your will may be done in us; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.**

Y: Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die and rise for you. For His sake, God forgives you all your sins. Therefore, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, † and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: AMEN.**

## OPENING HYMN: **"Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"**

LBW #143

1) Now all the vault of heav'n resounds  
in praise of love that still abounds:  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!  
Repeat their song of glory here:  
"Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!"  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2) Eternal is the gift he brings,  
therefore our heart with rapture sings:  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Now still he comes to give us life  
and by his presence stills all strife.  
Christ has triumphed! He is living!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3) Oh, fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;  
set heart and will on things above  
that we conquer through your triumph;  
grant grace sufficient for life's day  
that by our lives we truly say:  
Christ has triumphed! He is living!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4) Adoring praises now we bring  
and with the heav'nly blessed sing:  
"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"

**Be to the Father, and our Lord,  
to Spirit blest, most holy God,  
all the glory, never ending!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Y: Almighty God, through Your Son Jesus Christ, You have conquered death and opened the gate of everlasting life. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of His resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

*You may be seated.*

### **RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 118:15-29 (ESV)**

<sup>15</sup> Shouts of joy and victory

resound in the tents of the righteous:

"The LORD's right hand has done mighty things!

**<sup>16</sup> The LORD's right hand is lifted high;  
the LORD's right hand has done mighty things!"**

<sup>17</sup> I will not die but live,

and will proclaim what the LORD has done.

**<sup>18</sup> The LORD has chastened me severely,  
but he has not given me over to death.**

<sup>19</sup> Open for me the gates of the righteous;

I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.

**<sup>20</sup> This is the gate of the LORD  
through which the righteous may enter.**

<sup>21</sup> I will give you thanks, for you answered me;

you have become my salvation.

**<sup>22</sup> The stone the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone;**

<sup>23</sup> the LORD has done this,  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

**<sup>24</sup> The LORD has done it this very day;  
let us rejoice today and be glad.**

<sup>25</sup> LORD, save us!

LORD, grant us success!

**<sup>26</sup> Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD.  
From the house of the LORD we bless you.**

<sup>27</sup> The LORD is God,

and he has made his light shine on us.

With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession  
up to the horns of the altar!

**28 You are my God, and I will praise you;  
you are my God, and I will exalt you.**

**29** Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
his love endures forever.

*Please Stand for the Holy Gospel.*

### **EASTER GOSPEL: John 20: 1-18**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. <sup>2</sup> So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

<sup>3</sup> So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. <sup>4</sup> Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup> He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. <sup>6</sup> Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, <sup>7</sup> as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. <sup>8</sup> Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. <sup>9</sup> (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) <sup>10</sup> Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

<sup>11</sup> Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb <sup>12</sup> and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

<sup>13</sup> They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

"They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." <sup>14</sup> At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

<sup>15</sup> He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?"

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

<sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, "Mary."

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher").

<sup>17</sup> Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

<sup>18</sup> Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

A: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*You may be seated.*

## EASTER MESSAGE SKIT

FLY

**HYMN OF THE DAY: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"** LBW #151

- 1) Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
- 2) Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
Unto Christ, our heavenly king, Alleluia!  
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
- 3) But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!  
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!  
Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!  
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- 4) Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!  
Praise him, all you heavenly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

## APOSTLE'S CREED

With Mary, who first proclaimed, "I have seen the Lord," let us confess our faith.

**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**

## OFFERING

**SPECIAL MUSIC** by Kate Oehlke during collection.

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

**Y:** Risen Lord, You call us by name as You called Mary. Bring comfort to those who grieve and hope to those who despair. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C:** **Hear our prayer.**

**Y:** Risen Lord, Your victory over death brings life to the world. Strengthen Your Church to proclaim the good news boldly. Lord in Your mercy,

**C:** **Hear our prayer.**

Y: Risen Lord, You are alive for us. Keep us in faith, and lead us by Your Spirit until the day we see You face to face. Lord in Your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

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

C: **Amen.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION and THE LORD'S PRAYER

### CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### COMMUNION HYMNS:

**"I Am the Bread of Life"** WOV #702

- 1) "I am the Bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger, and who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the Father beckons."

*Refrain*

"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up on the last day."

- 2) "The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you eat of this bread, you shall live forever, you shall live forever." *Refrain*

- 3) "Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and drink of his blood, and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you." *Refrain*

- 4) "I am the resurrection, I am the life. If you believe in me, even though you die, you shall live forever." *Refrain*

- 5) Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ  
The Son of God, who has come into the world *Refrain*

**"Eat This Bread, Drink this Cup"** WOV #706

*Refrain*

Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the goodness of God.  
Bread of life, cup of love, we rejoice in your presence.

- 1) I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;  
in my God I glory forever: listen and rejoice! *Refrain*

- 2) Look upon the Lord, be radiant, never turn away.  
God will save in ev'ry affliction, hear us when we pray. *Refrain*

- 3) Angels fold their wings around us, guard through good and ill.  
Those who seek the Lord will lack nothing; taste, and have your fill. *Refrain*

4) Saints of God, bow down and worship, bless the holy name.  
Rise to tell God's greatness forever, wondrous deeds proclaim! *Refrain*

**"One Bread, One Body"** WOV #710

*Refrain*

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless,  
and we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

1) Gentile or Jew, servant or free,  
woman or man, no more. *Refrain*

2) Many the gifts, many the works,  
one in the Lord of all. *Refrain*

3) Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,  
gathered to one for all. *Refrain*

*Please stand.*

### **BENEDICTION**

Y: The Lord Bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN: "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!"** LBW #128

1) Christ the Lord is ris'n today; Alleluia!  
Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia!  
Offerpraise with love replete, Alleluia!  
At the paschal victim's feet. Alleluia!

2) For the sheep the Lambe has bles, Alleluia!  
Sinless in the sinner's stead. Alleluia!  
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia!  
Now he lives no more to die. Alleluia1

3) Hail, the victim undefiled, Alleluia!  
God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia!  
When contending death and life, Alleluia!  
Met in strange and awesome strife. Alleluia!

4) Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia!  
All your grateful homage pay; Alleluia!  
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia!  
Now he lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

## SUNDAY MORNINGS AT FAITH

**Worship Service** - 9:00 AM

*Fellowship on patio following worship*

**Sunday school** - 10:15-11:15 AM

Pre K- in Educational Wing

K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Preschool Building

3<sup>rd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> Grade in Education Wing

6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade in the LEC Loft

Adult Sunday School- in Activity Center and in Small Kitchen

## THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

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

## "WORDS OF FAITH" Broadcast on KWED

Has been sponsored to the glory of God today by two grateful Faith members.

## WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS:

Attendance on March 29: 179

Month to Date March **\$43,766.40** YTD Offerings and Misc. (2026) **\$109,070.20**

**2026** budgeted offerings is **\$572,657**

## CHRISTIAN CUPBOARD

Thank you to those of you who have donated to the Christian Cupboard. Our April item is canned vegetables, any brand or style. The total number of items collected as of March 30 is 76.

## PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

Judy Saunders	Carolyn Sagebiel	Donald Jackson	Steve Foerster
Clara Fischer	Doris Rinn	Paul Quello	Dale Nauert
Patti Jahns	Georgie Dittrich	Don Hilbert	Gail Herbold
Clem & Jan Howe	Wally Braun	Brian Dahl	Terri Bailey
Bertha Marie Keller	Mary Barnes	Albert Zipp	Kathy Hamlett
Diane Gwyther	Annette Stout	Ellen Looff	Ted Engelhardt
Stephanie Larrimore	Cecil Schulze		

## WORKERS FOR NEXT WEEK

**Sunday, April 12-** Ushers: Jud Alexander, Mark Herbold, Cecil Schulze, Fred Shanafelt; Lay Reader: Terri Bailey; Greeters: Dianne Chambers, Patti Jahns; AV: Chase White, Brian Baker; Count: Susan Foerster, Kathy Hamlett; Lock Up: Debbie Vogel; Security: Josh Webb; Communion set up: NA; Communion clean up: NA; Communion Servers: NA; Communion Aide: NA; Acolyte: Jacob Hernandez.

## **EASTER EGG HUNT TODAY!**



The Children's Ministry Team is hosting an Easter egg hunt today! Everyone is invited to the hunt following the 9:00 AM worship. It will begin in the LEC following patio fellowship.

Children will gather for a brief devotion and then divide into age groups for the Easter egg hunt! There will even be a special appearance by the Easter Bunny!

## SAVE THE DATES

- **Sunday, April 26** - Bluegrass Sunday Worship here with the Sieker Band 9:00 am **AND** then join First Methodist at Nolte Island for their picnic lunch at 12:00 pm.
- **Saturday, May 16** -Confirmation Banquet
- **Sunday, May 17** - Confirmation Sunday

## THIS WEEK AT FAITH

<b>Monday, April 6</b>	<b>Easter Holiday Church office Closed</b>	
<b>Tuesday, April 7</b>	<b>Men's Bible Study</b>	<b>7:30 AM (AC)</b>
<b>Tuesday, April 7</b>	<b>HR Mtg.</b>	<b>4:30 PM</b>
<b>Wednesday, April 8</b>	<b>Quilters</b>	<b>9:00 AM (AC)</b>
<b>Wednesday, April 8</b>	<b>FLY/Confirmation</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
<b>Wednesday, April 8</b>	<b>Joyful Noise?</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
<b>Thursday, April 9</b>	<b>YET</b>	<b>11:30/1:00 PM</b>
<b>Thursday, April 9</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>

## 2026 FLOWER and WORDS OF FAITH CHARTS

Are now posted in the hallway outside of the Music/Communications office. Please sign up for dates you would like to sponsor altar flowers or our Words of Faith KWED Broadcast in 2026.

## ACCOMPANIST OPPORTUNITY: JOIN OUR MUSIC MINISTRY

Faith Lutheran Church is seeking a skilled accompanist (piano and/or organ) to support Sunday worship services with occasional weekday services as required by the liturgical season (such as Lent). The congregation is also in need of an accompanist for the adult choir.

While one individual filling both roles is preferred, the responsibilities may be divided into two separate positions for qualified candidates.

The adult choir rehearses once a week and performs on an average of once a month during Sunday worship.

Both positions will be available beginning in June or July 2026.

For more information, please call 830-379-7036 or email: [music@faithsequin.org](mailto:music@faithsequin.org)



## **A NEW WAY TO SIGN IN AT CHURCH!**

You'll notice a QR code in your bulletin or on the screens today. Simply scan it with your phone, and it will take you right to a page where you can enter the same information you usually write in the black book—no pen required!

It's especially handy just in case the book didn't make its way down your row... or took a little detour along the way. Thanks for helping us stay connected!

Faith Lutheran Church Worship  
Attendance



## Easter Lilies 2026

### THE EASTER LILIES ARE PLACED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Our parents, Jim & Ruby Linsey – *by Roxanne Heckmann & Mona Kuehne*  
Bobby & Joyce Bulgerin, Dr. Ralph & Mary Sagebiel, Amy Sagebiel Bolin- *by Jim*  
*& Judy Sagebiel (3)*

Ralph & Mary Sagebiel, and Adolph & Olga Ermel – *by Bill & Rose Mary Ermel*  
Our parents, LouAnn & Virgil Meyers, and Jackie and Charlie Koehler – *by Gregg &*  
*Kaye Koehler (2)*

Andrew, Ellen, and Michael Raetzsch- *by John & Kathy Taddy*  
Archie and Virginia Taddy, William Taddy, Mary Taddy Kroeger- *by John & Kathy*  
*Taddy*

Debbie Lehmann- *by Cliff Lehmann*

Paten & Dorothy Burris- *by Mike Burris*

Theodore & Janice Stutrud, and Dr. Andrew & Ellen Raetzsch – *by Donna &*  
*Robert Raetzsch (2)*

Vernon & Melitta Rabe – *by Brian & Carol Baker*

Gordon Seidel and Charles & Verlia Ratliff – *by Larry & Diane Ratliff (2)*

Ron Vanbeek – *by Joan Vanbeek*

Billy Bonds and Jay Dave, Jr.- *by Cheryl & Alan Bonds (2)*

Our Parents, Al & Nancy Mannel and Ernie & Kay Kindy- *by George & Gina Mannel*

Our parents, Bill Snow and Bobbie Jo & Jud Alexander- *by Jud & Jody Alexander*

Our parents and grandparents-*by Steve & Susan Foerster*

Lee Herrick and Gordon Seidel-*by Avis Herrick*

Family members- *by Jim & Judy Johnson*

Carlton “Buzzy” Keller and Marilyn Rosenblad- *by Bertha Marie Keller (2)*

Clinton Dean Darnell, Dr. Ted William Krell- *by Danny & Pat Darnell (2)*

All my loved ones – *by Cathy Wensinger*

Dawn Kremer – *by Eichenholz family and Jesus Garcia*

George B. Cantu and Valentina G. Cantu, Lucile Grace Burttschell- *by Nnette Cantu*  
*& Jill Burttschell (3)*

Our parents, Marjorie & Bill Chambers and Janette & Lawrence Stallman – *by BJ &*  
*Dianne Chambers (2)*

Jim & Dodie Barnes and Brad Barnes- *by Mary Barnes (2)*

Marilyn & Larry Rosenblad, David Kautzsch, and Lorain Kautzsch – *by Kim*  
*Kautzsch*

In loving memory of Augie Wenzel– *by Gail Wenzel*

Dorothy & Roy Glenewinkel – *by Ronnie & Julia Glenewinkel*

MaryAnne & George Sullivan – *by Ronnie & Julia Glenewinkel*

Hilmar & Pearl Lange – *by Ronnie & Juila Glenewinkel*  
George W. Sullivan – *by Ronnie & Julia Glenewinkel*  
Phyllis S. Haas – *by Ronnie & Julia Glenewinkel*  
Andy & Jody E. Anderson – *by Ronnie & Julia Glenewinkel*  
David & Etelka Ehrhardt- *by Ronnie & Julia Glenewinkel*  
James “Fella” Dietz and Alma Bartels- *by Mark Dietz (2)*

## THE EASTER LILIES ARE PLACED IN HONOR OF:

My grandsons, Jackson and Cason – *by Roxanne Heckmann*  
Our children and grandchildren – *by Robert & Debbie Vogel*  
Our precious family – *by Brian & Carol Baker*  
In thanksgiving for the risen Lord! – *by Cecil & Syndra Schulze*  
Our grandchildren: Charlotte, Clark, Cooper & Margaux- *by Kerry & Mary Koehler*  
(4)  
Our children and grandchildren- *by Dale & Teresa Borgfeld*  
Our mother, Betty Snow- *by Jud & Jody Alexander*  
Our children and grandchildren-*by Steve & Susan Foerster*  
Cara, Lance, Lily, and Luke- *by Bryan and Diane Terp*  
Gynna Hernandez- *Jacob Hernandez*  
God’s gift of family and friends- *by Mike and Candi Andrews (2)*  
My children and grandchildren- *by Kim Kautzsch*

