



Faith Lutheran Church

Summer Worship 2017

FULL SERVICE: September 10, 2017

We welcome you with open arms & open hearts!

Faith Lutheran Church is a Christ-centered, Bible-reading, radically welcoming spiritual home for seekers, believers, and everybody between. We're a family of God "because God first loved us." (1 John 4:19) Because you're here, you're part of the family—welcome home!

Please complete a Response Card & put it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher as you pass by. If you are here for the first time, please give us a complete address so we can connect with you.

Kids are welcome in the service or in the toy-filled nursery with supervision. Ushers have coloring sheets, and age-appropriate activity bags are available outside the Sanctuary.

All you need to worship is on the wall. "ELW" refers to the red hymnal. Ask an usher for a large print bulletin. And let us know what else we can do to help you enjoy your time at Faith. Thank you for coming!

GATHERING

Prelude

Lina Gyles, Accompanist

Greeting, Announcements & Prayer Requests

L: The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the unity of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you!

Gathering Hymn

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

ELW #836

*Faith Lutheran Church is a family of God built on love; Worshiping, welcoming, serving
and growing in Christ's name.*

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the † holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again.

C: **Amen.** (*Silence for reflection and self-examination*)

L: Source of all life,

C: **we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.**

L: God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, † God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ

C: **Amen.**

Song of Praise

“Beautiful Savior”

ELW #838

Prayer of the Day *(spoken by all)*

L: The Lord be with you. C: **And also with you.**

L: Let us pray.

C: **O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

First Reading

Ezekiel 33:7-11

God appointed Ezekiel as a sentinel for the house of Israel. Ezekiel must faithfully convey God's warnings to the people. Remarkably,

God—who is about to attack Jerusalem—gives a warning with the hope that repentance will make the attack unnecessary.

⁷So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

¹⁰Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” ¹¹Say to them, As I live, says the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Second Reading

Romans 13:8-14

The obligation of Christians is to love one another and so fulfill the heart and goal of the law. Clothes make the person as we “put on the Lord Jesus Christ” and live today in light of the future God has in store for us.

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead,

put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

L: Holy wisdom, holy word... **C: Thanks be to God.**

Kids' Time

Gospel Acclamation "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah" ELW #172

Gospel Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus offers practical advice to his disciples on how individuals—and the church as a whole—should show wrongdoers their need for repentance.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵“If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

L: The Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, O Christ!**

Sermon Pastor Brenda Satrum

Sermon Song “Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive” ELW #605

Apostles' Creed (AM)

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the

dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayers of the Church “Lord Listen to Your Children” ELW #752

Lord, listen to your children praying;
Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying;
send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace.

L: God of mercy, **C: hold us in love.**

The Offering “Lord, Be Glorified” ELW #744

1. In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified
In my life, Lord, be glorified today
2. In our song, Lord...
3. In Your church, Lord...
4. In your world, Lord,...

Offering Prayer

L: God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. **Amen.**

MEAL

*Dear members and friends of Faith: as you trust the God you meet in Jesus, please be welcome to share his meal. Christ offers here and now his body and blood, his death and resurrection, as a demonstration that God “loves you to death” and is present to, in, and through you now and forever. We serve **GRAPE JUICE (light colored) and WINE. Please ask for gluten-free or a wafer if you prefer.***

Words of Institution

1 Corinthians 11:23-25

The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 & Luke 11:2-4

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.

Distribution

“Agnus Dei”

Projected

1. O come little children, O come one and all:
O come to the table and answer his call.
For Jesus is calling to you and to me,
so come to the table, and there you'll be free.
2. O come little children, O come one and all:
O come to the table and answer his call.
For Jesus, the lamb, took our sins far away:
so come to the table, you're welcome today.
3. O come little children, O come one and all:
O come to the table and answer his call.
For Jesus is living and gives us his peace
so come to the table, O come to the feast.

“Alleluia”

Projected

“Change My Heart, O God”

ELW #801

SENDING

Blessing

from Colossians 3

L: May God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Song

“The Montana Blessing”

(projected)

May your vision be as boundless as the breadth of our sky
 May your soul have the strength of our mountains
 May your life be as peaceful as our gently falling snow
 And your days be as many as our trees

Anonymous

Dismissal (AM)

L: Go in peace. Sound the good news.

All: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

“Gloria in Excelsis” & “Agnus Dei” from *Kindermesse*,
 developed at Peace Lutheran Church, Belgrade, MT.

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Read and Study for next Sunday, September 17
 Genesis 50:15-21, Romans 14:1-12; Psalm 103:[1-7] 8-13, Matthew 18: 21-35

Last Sunday:

Attendance: 46

Financials: *Status of Year to Date (YTD)*

Giving to support the 2017 Budget: Current YTD Giving is **\$10,374.67 below** requirements for the 2017 Budget.

Giving Last Sunday: **\$2,475.50**

Expected Giving based on 2016: **\$2,894.97**

Connections...

Women’s Spiritual Reading Group:

Contact Tracy Walczak at 360-4662 or tracywalczak@gmail.com

Women’s Circles: Various times and places. Contact the church office.

Men’s Breakfast: Contact Pastor Doug Peterson, 381-0885.

Starting next Sunday, worship will begin at 9:30am.

Today

September 17

Accompanist Lina Gyles

Accompanist Ross Damrow

Ushers Skeet & Jane Mason

Ushers Troy & Kerry Hanson

Lector Jack Losensky

Lector Nancy Osborn

Communion TBD

Communion Asst Clairice Brady, Mark Livesay
 Karen Heller, Helen Volden

AM TBD

Assisting Minister Celeste Pogachar

Presiding Pr. Brenda Satrum

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Upcoming Memorial Services, All are Welcome



Ethel Warwick
September 11th, 2pm

Betty Tudahl
September 21st, 1pm



This Week

Today

9:00 Worship

10:15 Refreshments

Monday

2:00 Ethel Warwick
Memorial

3:30 Weight Watchers

Tuesday

5:30 Weight Watchers

7:00 Naomi Circle

Wednesday, September 13

6:30 Youth Group & Family
Dinner

7:00pm MS WOW/HS YG

Thursday

5:30 AA Meeting

Sunday, September 17

Back to Church Sunday

9:30 Worship

10:45 Refreshments

10:45 Acolyte Training

10:45 Sunday School for All
Ages

Remember in Prayer...

(The prayer list is refreshed monthly—feel free to resubmit!)

Battling Cancer: Laurel, Jim Bice, Todd Schiffman's sister, Betty, Laura, Kristie Parker, Janeen Brookie, Bill Martens, & Susan Glover.

Restoration of Health: Valerie, Nancy, and Charles.

Health, Comfort & Healing: Ann Damrow, Jim Carrington, Karen Heggen, and Greg.

Prayers for: Adrienne Patterson, Holli in prison, for Candra recovering from brain surgery, for Bonnie, Carol A., Marilee, Ken W., Shirley Hanson, for health, healing, and sobriety for Ray, Abby, Eli, Marni, Ira, Nanny Ann., Kasi, Stacy, Dulcie, Ryan, Annie & Marge, Greg B., Jacob Bachman, George Davis, Lee as he battles MS, Steve Wilson, Logan Sons, Jaycie Chambers, Fran Bennett, for the safety of all those fighting wildfires, and Pastor Ed Pomelear, mourning the loss of his wife.

The Beehive: Morry Mitteness

Valley View: Doris Koch, Ruth Dillon

Home Nursing Care: Larry Pyle, LaVonne Beers, Virginia Rotering

Discovery Care: Bob Mathison

Notice of Special Congregation Meeting for Proposed By-Law Change

There will be a special congregation meeting **after worship on September 24th** to discuss making the following change to FLC's By-Laws.

Section B3.02d:

Currently:

"Review the budget as prepared by each Steward, approve as appropriate and then submit to the congregation for approval at the annual meeting."

Change to:

"Review the budget as prepared by each Steward, approve as appropriate and then submit to the congregation for approval at either a special meeting or the annual meeting of this congregation."