

Oct 10th, 2021

Youth Sunday

We welcome you with open arms and open hearts!

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

If you are new to Faith, we would like to be in touch with you. Please share your contact information with the church office, 406-363-2964, or faithlutheran59840@gmail.com.

Welcome to Faith and thank you for worshipping with us!

God Gathers The Body Of Christ

Prelude Call To Worship

Welcome

PM: The grace and guidance of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love and wisdom of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

AM: Any prayer requests? Please notify the church of ice to submit names of those you wish to be included in the prayers. No formal offering will be taken today, please leave in the offering plate on the table in the narthex.

Prayer of the Day

AM: Please Pray with Me

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The Gathering Song

"Come Let us Worship and Bow Down"

W&P #31

Passing of the Peace

PM: Peace Be With You All

All: And Also With You

Confession and Forgiveness

PM: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart. (Silence is kept for reflection.)

All: God our comforter: like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen

PM:All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in + Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins. Amen.

Song of Praise

"How Majestic is Your Name"

W&P #66

God Speaks To Us In The Word

The First Reading (AM: please be seated for the readings)

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Lector: A reading from the 5th chapter of Amos,

Amos was a herdsman by profession and a prophet by God's call. During a time of great prosperity in the northern kingdom of Israel, the prophet speaks to the wealthy upper class. He warns his listeners that fulfilling God's demand for justice brings blessing, while corruption and oppression incur God's wrath.

6Seek the Lord and live,

or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

⁷Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

¹⁰They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

11Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards,

but you shall not drink their wine.

¹²For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.
¹³Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.
¹⁴Seek good and not evil, that you may live;
and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you,

just as you have said.

15 Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Lector: Word of God, Word of life.

All: Thanks be to God

Psalm Psalm 90:12-17

Lector: Today's Psalm is Psalm 90

(Lector: Give response directions to congregation)

God loves nothing so much as the person who lives with wisdom. (Ws. 7:28)

¹²So teach us to number our days

that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

¹³Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? Be gracious to your servants.

¹⁴Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

¹⁵Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us and as many years as we suffered adversity.

¹⁶Show your servants your works, and your splendor to their children.

¹⁷May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; pros per our handiwork.

The Second Reading

Hebrews 4:12-16

Lector: A reading from the 4th chapter of Hebrews,

We cannot hide our thoughts, desires, and actions from God, to whom we are completely accountable. Nevertheless, Jesus understands our human weakness and temptations, because he also experienced them. Therefore we can approach the throne of grace to receive divine mercy from Christ.

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Lector: The Word of the Lord,

All: Thanks be to God

Kids Talk

(AM: Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation)

Gospel Acclamation

"Open Our Eyes Lord" W&P #113

The Gospel Mark 10:17-31

Jesus has been teaching his disciples about what is most valued in God's eyes. Now, a conversation with a rich man brings his message home to the disciples in a way that is surprising but unforgettable.

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" ²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

²⁸Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and

children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

PM:This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Message

Pastor Paul

(AM: Please stand as you are able for the Hymn of the Day)

The Song of the Day

"My Faith Looks up to Thee" ELW #759

We Respond To God's Word

Statement of Faith

All: We believe in God our Parent who has helped us grow into the people we are today and whose grace and love is endless.

We believe in Jesus Christ the Son of God and the teacher of apostles whose lessons we must always remember.

We believe in the Holy Spirit who will be our guide and coach as we continue on in our journey in life, learning, and faith.

And we believe in the power and the support of the Three in One and the entire church who will be with us always in our future endeavors. Amen

-Written by Josie VanDenburg

Prayers of Intercession (AM: Please be seated for the prayers)

AM: Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

(A brief silence.)

Uniting God, you call forth different gifts in those who follow you. Encourage us to welcome the diverse benefits and blessings of the whole church in teaching, preaching, prophecy, healing, and more. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Nurturing God, you bring forth crops from the soil and bounty from the trees. Increase the produce of the land and bless all who toil in fields and orchards. Provide for good working conditions and keep them safe. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Empowering God, you offer compassion for those who are overlooked or forgotten. Open the hearts of local, national, and world leaders to show such compassion and love for their neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Sheltering God, in Jesus you travelled among us without a place to lay your head. Provide safe places to sleep and rest for those who have no place to live. Sustain ministries that offer food, clothing, and peace of mind (local ministries may be named). Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Renewing God, you bring life out of death. Help us part with those things that are no longer beneficial to us and open our hearts to see where new life is budding in this congregation. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Eternal God, we thank you for the lives of those who have died (especially). Make us confident in your promise of salvation and support us in our own journey of faith. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Offering "We Are an Offering" ELW #692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours; we are an offering, we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.

Offering Prayer

AM: Let us pray.

All: God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Jesus Comes To Us In His Supper

The Words of Institution
The Lord's Prayer

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

All:

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

The Distribution

Jesus Christ is the host of this meal, and he invites you to share a meal with him—an act of friendship, hospitality, and a glimpse of the feast that is to come. The Risen Christ is truly here in the bread and wine, so come, eat, and trust that his promise of forgiveness and everlasting life is for you! Communion will be served in individual portions.

Blessing

People of God,
you are Christ's body,
bringing new life to a suffering world.
The holy Trinity, + one God,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

AM: Let us pray, O God

All: You have nourished us by this meal and have called us, your disciples, to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths yet untrodden, lessons not yet learned, and through perils unknown. Give us Faith to go out in good courage not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love is supporting us as we grow and learn new things. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Benediction

Montana Blessing

May your visions be as boundless as the breadth of our sky
May your soul have the strength of our mountains
May your lives be as peaceful as the gently falling
snow

And your days be as many as the trees.....

God Sends Us Into The World **Sending Song**

"Go Out With Joy" W&P# 48

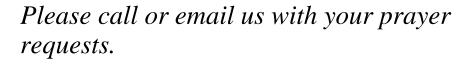
Sending

PM: As God sends us out into the world to have us grow in knowledge and let his lessons guide us to do his endeavors of acceptance, good, love, and wisdom. Peace be with you all.

All: And also with you. Amen Postlude

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Discovery:

Beehive: Yvonne Olson, Chuck Olson

Valley View: Ruth Dillon

Remington: Kathleen Gazzara

Sapphire: Bertie Senn

Please let us know if you are having surgery or know of someone who is, or if you or someone you love is in the hospital. We are here to help support in any way we can, especially with prayers.

This prayer list will be refreshed monthly. Please feel free to resubmit.

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OCTOBER 10, 2021 TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Jesus is a merciful high

priest.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday Mark 10:17-31 A rich man goes away sad Monday Amos 5:6-15 Seek good and not evil

Tuesday Hebrews 4:12-16 Jesus is the great high priest

Wednesday 2 John 7-11 Those who deny Christ

Thursday Micah 7:18-20 God's compassion and steadfast love

Friday 1 John 1:5-10 God is light

Saturday Psalm 90:12-17 Teach us wisdom

Sunday Mark 10:35-45 The Son of Man came to save

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. **Hebrews 4:16 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

God of justice and forgiveness, help us to see when we hurt others so that we may care for our neighbor with justice through Christ Jesus. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Compassionate God, we receive this food with thanksgiving. Help us respond to this gift by treating others with your kindness and mercy. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the God of justice and mercy give you a heart of wisdom to love and to serve with gladness.

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HYMN OF THE WEEK

Take My Life, That I May Be



WEEKLY MILESTONES CARING CONVERSATIONS 🦃

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- What do you do after you feel you have been unkind or hurt someone's feelings?
- Is it harder to forgive others or yourself? Explain.
- Jesus knows our weaknesses and failings yet shows us kindness and mercy. How can knowing this influence how you live?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Hebrews 4:12-16.

God's word is like a sharp, two-edged sword that brings both judgment and forgiveness. The question is, which is God's final word for us? The answer Hebrews gives is through understanding Jesus in the sacrificial role of high priest, one who is like us in every way except that he is without sin. The high priest makes sacrifices on behalf of the people to receive God's forgiveness for their sins. What Jesus is able to do as our great high priest and the Son of God is to both experience and feel our weaknesses as a human being and as God. We have a God who fully understands us, sympathizes with us, and accepts us as we are. We can approach God with boldness and know that we receive mercy and grace. Jesus as the great high priest and the Son of God takes the sharp edge of the sword of God's judgment and adds to it God's love that forgives the sinner. Thanks be to God for Jesus, the great high priest, the Son of God, who comes to save, not to condemn. How does Jesus as our great high priest help you understand judgement and forgiveness?

Pray: God of mercy and grace, free our lives to live courageously for our neighbor and with loving hearts toward you through Jesus, the great high priest. Amen.

SERVICE 🌽

In Mark 10, the rich man left Jesus grieving because he was attached to his wealth. Money and having possessions can cause us to be selfish and only care for ourselves. Another way to use wealth can be to serve others and show our love for God and all humanity. How can you serve others with your wealth this week?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Hebrews 4:12 says that the word of God is "living and active". There are many Bible translations. The NRSV (New Revised Standard Version), NIV (New International Version), KJV (King James Version), and CEV (Contemporary English Version) are just a few of many others. During devotions this week, look up the *Daily Bible Readings* using different translations and note what is similar and what is different. Think or talk about how the scripture you read is alive and active in your life.

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