



Oct 24th 2021

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

*Bread of Life/Service of the Word
Summer Worship*

***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'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 Young children are welcome in the service. 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,

Welcome to Faith and thank you for coming!

God Gathers the Body of Christ

Prelude

Susan Peterson
Accompanist

Call to Worship

Welcome

Am: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you!

(AM: Any prayer requests? Please notify the church office 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.)

(AM: Please stand as you are able for our gathering hymn)

Gathering Hymn “Let the Whole Creation Cry”

ELW #876

- 1 Let the whole creation cry,
"Glory to the Lord on high!"
Heav'n and earth, awake and sing,
"Praise to our almighty king!"
Praise God, angel hosts above,
ever bright and fair in love;
sun and moon, lift up your voice;
night and stars, in God rejoice.
- 2 Servants striving for the Lord,
prophets burning with the word,
those to whom the arts belong
add their voices to the song.
Pow'rs of knowledge and of law,
to the glorious circle draw;
all who work and all who wait,
sing, "The Lord is good and great!"
- 3 Men and women, young and old,
raise the anthem loud and bold,
and let children's happy hearts
in this worship take their parts;
from the north to southern pole
let the mighty chorus roll:
"Holy, Holy, Holy One;
glory be to God alone!"

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Greeting

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

All: And also with you!

PM: You are the treasured people of the LORD,

All: A people holy to the LORD our God.

PM: Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children.

All: Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

PM: One does not live by bread alone,

All: But by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

Prayer of the Day

AM: Let us pray.

Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen. *(AM: Please be seated for the readings)*

God Speaks to Us in The Word

First Reading:

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Lector: A reading from Jeremiah, the 31st Chapter;

This passage speaks not only of the southern kingdom, Judah, and its homecoming from exile in Babylon, but also of the northern kingdom ("Israel" or "Ephraim") and its restoration. The northern tribes of Israel had been lost in exile to Assyria more than a century before Jeremiah prophesied.

⁷Thus says the Lord:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,
"Save, O Lord, your people,
the remnant of Israel."

⁸See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame,

those with child and those in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.

⁹With weeping they shall come,
and with consolations I will lead them back,
I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;
for I have become a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Psalm 126

(Lector: give directions for congregation's response)

Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy. (Ps. 126:5)

¹When the Lord restored the for tunes of Zion,
then were we like those who dream.

²**Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy. Then they said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."**

³The Lord has done great things for us,
and we are glad indeed.

⁴**Restore our fortunes, O Lord,
like the watercourses of the Negeb.**

⁵Those who sowed with tears
will reap with songs of joy.

⁶**Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.**

Second Reading

Hebrews 7:23-28

Lector: A reading from Hebrews, the 7th Chapter:

Human priests of old offered sacrifice for their own sins and served only until their death. In contrast, Jesus is God's Son, the holy, sinless, resurrected high priest. Death did not terminate his priestly service, but through his death he has interceded for our sins.

²³The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; ²⁴but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he

continues forever. ²⁵Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

²⁶For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself.

²⁸For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

L: Holy wisdom, holy word...

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Kids' Talk

Pastor Paul

Gospel Acclamation "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah."

ELW #172

**Halle, halle, hallelujah.
Halle, halle, hallelujah.
Halle, halle, hallelujah.
Hallelujah. Hallelujah.**

Gospel

Mark 10:46-52

PM: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark:

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Bartimaeus comes to Jesus with faith, asking that he might see again. Recognizing Jesus' identity, Bartimaeus is the first person to call him "Son of David" in the Gospel of Mark.

⁴⁶As [Jesus] and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹Jesus stood still and said, "Call him

here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” ⁵⁰So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” ⁵²Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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

Sermon

Pastor Paul

Sermon Song

“ Amazing Grace ”

ELW #779

- 1 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.**
- 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!**
- 3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.**
- 4 The Lord has promised good to me;
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.**
- 5 When we've been there ten thousand years,**

bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

Response to the Word (*Creed*)

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AM: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

All: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit. (*Ephesians 1:13-14*)

AM: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

All: 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

Confession

PM: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith; *Jude 20*

All: Pray in the Holy Spirit.

PM: Keep yourselves in the love of God; *Jude 21*

All: Look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

PM: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: *2 Cor. 5:17*

All: Everything old has passed away; behold everything has become new!

PM: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

All: Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

PM: Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

(silence is kept for confession and reflection)

PM: Most gracious God,

All: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PM: The almighty and merciful God grants you pardon, forgiveness, and release from all your sins.

All: Amen

(AM: Please be seated for the prayers)

The Prayers of the Church

“Hear our prayer”

ELW# 178

**Hear our prayer, Hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:
peace to all people, hope for each soul.
God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.**

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

A brief silence.

Risen One, we give you thanks for congregations and ministries throughout the world that serve as centers of prayer and action. Empower missionaries, teachers, healers, evangelists, and all who are sent to share your song of joy. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Holy One, we give you thanks for generous land that produces abundant harvests. Strengthen and protect all soils, from rooftop gardens to prairie farmlands, to patio planters to fertile valleys, and bless all who lovingly tend them. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Ruling One, we give you thanks for leaders of nations who work to build up the common good. Strengthen efforts of reconciliation among all nations (especially), that peace extends in every direction. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Healing One, we give you thanks for all who labor for the health of others. Comfort and strengthen all who struggle with chronic pain. Send healing and relief to all who are sick (especially). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Providing One, we give you thanks for all who provide for others. Inspire generosity in your people, so that we carry out the work of making disciples of all nations. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Living One, we give you thanks for the saints who have increased our faith. Give us courage to follow in hope until you gather us all around your table of abundance. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life.

All:Amen.

**Hear our prayer, Hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:
peace to all people, hope for each soul.
God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.**

Pass the Peace

PM: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

All: And also with you.

*Take a moment to pass the peace with those around you,
and send a message of peace to those listening and watching with you.*

Jesus Comes to Us in His Supper

Dear members and friends of Faith: as you trust the God you see 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. Communion will be served in individual portions

Offering **“Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring.”** **ELW #691 V.1**

**Accept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place upon your table.
We do not worship as we ought but only as we're able.**

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.**

Words of Institution

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

PM: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection,
and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out your Holy Spirit,
that by this Holy Communion we may know
the unity we share with all your people
in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father,
now and forever.

All: Amen

Lord's Prayer

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

PM: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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

Invitation to the Meal

PM: 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.
Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

Lamb of God

ELW #195

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.**

Distribution

Blessing

PM: 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.

All: Amen

Post Communion Prayer

AM: Jesus, Bread of Life,

**All: we have received from your table more than we could
ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now
strengthen us to love the world with your own life.**

In your name we pray. Amen

Benediction

PM:

May God the Father prepare your journey,
Jesus the Son guide your footsteps,
the spirit of Life strengthen your body,
and the Three in One watch over you,
on every road that you may follow.

Announcements

Sending Song **“The Spirit Sends us Forth to Serve ”** ELW #551

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

- 1 The Spirit sends us forth to serve;
we go in Jesus' name
to bring glad tidings to the poor,
God's favor to proclaim.**
- 2 We go to comfort those who mourn
and set the burdened free;
where hope is dim, to share a dream
and help the blind to see.**
- 3 We go to be the hands of Christ,
to scatter joy like seed
and, all our days, to cherish life,
to do the loving deed.**
- 4 Then let us go to serve in peace,
the gospel to proclaim.
God's Spirit has empowered us;
we go in Jesus' name.**

God Sends Us into The World

Dismissal

AM: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Pray for our Members and Friends...



Please call or email us with your prayer requests.

Prayers for safety and healing: Cheryl, Charlene Riggle, Mary Schmidt, Mary Ann, Myrtle Irene Cosner, Steve Forseth, Tom Dolan, Tom Martin, Karla West, Wes and Andy, , Bertie Senn, Geri Grymes

Prayers for comfort: Family and Friends of Rod Snook, Family and Friends of Matt Hurley

Discovery:

Beehive: Yvonne Olson, Chuck Olson,

Valley View: Ruth Dillon

Remington: Kathleen Gazzara

Sapphire: Bertie Senn

Incarcerated: George Davis

Thanks to our Worship Assistants!

Today	Oct 24th	Oct 31st
Accompanist	Susan Peterson	Susan Peterson
Call To Worship		Emma Mitchell
Ushers	Susan W.	Dean Drake
Lector	Nancy Osborn	John Trangmoe
Assisting Minister	Jacquie Vandenburg	Rick Brown
Projection	Scott Southwick	Scott Southwick
Video	Rick Brown	Rick Brown

OCTOBER 24, 2021
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Mark 10:46-52	Jesus heals blind Bartimaeus
Monday	Jeremiah 31:7-9	Israel will return to its land
Tuesday	Hebrews 7:23-28	Our Lord is a priest
Wednesday	Psalm 25:1-10	A prayer for guidance
Thursday	2 Chronicles 30:1-9	Hezekiah prepares for Passover
Friday	Proverbs 28:10-13	The law of God makes sense
Saturday	Psalm 126	Song of joy
Sunday	Mark 12:28-34	Love God and neighbor

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Jesus said to [Bartimaeus], "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Mark 10:52 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner. Amen. (Mark 10:48)

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, we thank you for restoring us in body and soul as you bless us with the gift of this food today. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord give you a heart to dream and a voice filled with shouts of joy. (Psalm 126:1-2)

OCTOBER 24, 2021

HYMN OF THE WEEK

To Be Your Presence



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 is something you dream might happen in your life?
- Is it easy or hard for you to admit when you need help? Explain.
- At times, faith can feel like pleading to God for help. Give an example from your life.

DEVOTIONS 

Read: Mark 10:46-52.

In Mark 8:22-26 Jesus heals another blind man. However, in that instance, it took a couple of tries and the man is sent away back to his home. With Bartimaeus, Jesus heals the blindness instantly, and, this time, the man joins Jesus immediately. Something is happening. Jesus is now closer to Jerusalem and the real testing of his identity as Savior. Bartimaeus utters words that the church will expand and recite throughout its history. Those words are called the Jesus Prayer: “Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.” Jesus acknowledges Bartimaeus’ faith. It involves the life experience of need, of hope, of a dream, just like people have expressed through Psalm 126. As Jesus approaches Jerusalem and his trial, suffering, and death, he clarifies what it means to be a disciple. It looks like someone much like Bartimaeus, someone in great need with great hopes and dreams, someone seeing hope realized in Jesus, the Son of David, Lord of lords, King of kings. What do you need from Jesus?

Pray: God of mercy and hope, give us faith to trust in you and joy to follow you all the days of our lives through Christ Jesus, our Savior and God. Amen.

SERVICE 

Statistics from the World Health Organization state that there are at least 2.2 billion people globally who are blind or have a vision impairment. At least one million of them could have been prevented. Used eyeglasses can be donated to a variety of organizations to be recycled and distributed to those in need or uninsured. Do you or someone you know have eyeglasses they no longer use that could be donated to a local organization?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS 

Bartimaeus’ plea to Jesus is very close to one of the many historic versions of the Jesus Prayer used for spiritual formation: “Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.” Pray this prayer daily before reading Psalm 126, a song of joy. Confessing our need for God is freeing, healing, and meant to be filled with joy, yes, leading us even to laughter.

In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: **www.milestonesministry.org**

