



**Faith Lutheran Church**  
**Summer Worship Oct 23rd, 2022**  
**GATHERING**

**Prelude**

Accompanist

**Call to worship**

**Greeting & Prayer Requests**

A: 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!**

*(Prayer requests)*

**Gathering:**

**Blest be the tie that binds**

**ELW#656**

- 1   Blest be the tie that binds  
our hearts in Christian love;  
the unity of heart and mind  
is like to that above.**
  
- 2   Before our Father's throne  
we pour our ardent prayers;  
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,  
our comforts and our cares.**

**3 We share our mutual woes,  
our mutual burdens bear,  
and often for each other flows  
the sympathizing tear.**

**4 From sorrow, toil, and pain,  
and sin we shall be free;  
and perfect love and friendship reign  
through all eternity.**

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

*(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

**C: Amen.**

P: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

*(Silence is kept for reflection.)*

P: God of mercy and forgiveness,

**C: we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the**

**journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.**

P: Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## **Kyrie**

ELW pg 138

A: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

A: For the peace from above,  
and for our salvation,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

A: For the peace of the whole world,  
for the well-being of the Church of God,  
and for the unity of all,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

A: For this holy house,  
and for all who offer here their worship and praise,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

A: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**Canticle of Praise**

**ELW#PG 140**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:**

**Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## Prayer of the Day

A: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

A: Let us pray.

**C:** Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness.

Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## First Reading:

## Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

*In a time of drought, the people pray for mercy, repenting of their sins and the sins of their ancestors. They appeal to God to remember the covenant, to show forth God's power, and to heal their land by sending life-giving rain.*

**7** Although our iniquities testify against us,  
act, O Lord, for your name's sake;  
our apostasies indeed are many,  
and we have sinned against you.

**8** O hope of Israel,  
its savior in time of trouble,  
why should you be like a stranger in the land,  
like a traveler turning aside for the night?

**9** Why should you be like someone confused,  
like a mighty warrior who cannot give help?  
Yet you, O Lord, are in the midst of us,  
and we are called by your name;  
do not forsake us!

**10** Thus says the Lord concerning this people:  
Truly they have loved to wander,  
they have not restrained their feet;  
therefore the Lord does not accept them,  
now he will remember their iniquity  
and punish their sins.

**19** Have you completely rejected Judah?  
Does your heart loathe Zion?  
Why have you struck us down  
so that there is no healing for us?  
We look for peace, but find no good;  
for a time of healing, but there is terror instead.

**20** We acknowledge our wickedness, O Lord,  
the iniquity of our ancestors,  
for we have sinned against you.

**21** Do not spurn us, for your name's sake;  
do not dishonor your glorious throne;  
remember and do not break your covenant with us.

**22** Can any idols of the nations bring rain?  
Or can the heavens give showers?

Is it not you, O Lord our God?  
We set our hope on you,  
for it is you who do all this.

## **Psalm 84:1-7**

1 How dear to me is your dwelling,  
O Lord of hosts!

**2 My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

3 Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my king and my God.

**4 Happy are they who dwell in your house!  
They will always be praising you.**

5 Happy are the people whose strength is in you,  
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

**6 Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of springs, for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.**

7 They will climb from height to height,  
and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

**Second Reading:**

**2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18**

*The conclusion of this letter to a young minister offers a final perspective on life from one who faced death. Though others let him down, Paul was sure of his faith in the Lord, who stood by him and lent him strength.*

**6** As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. **7** I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. **8** From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the

righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

**16** At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! **17** But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. **18** The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. **Amen.**

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

## **Kids' Time**

### **Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life.**

**Alleluia. Alleluia.**

### **Gospel:**

**Luke 18:9-14**

P: The holy gospel according to Luke

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.....**

*The coming reign of God will involve unexpected reversals of fortune with judgment rooted in mercy. Jesus tells a parable in which the one who humbles himself is exalted and the one who exalts his own righteousness is humbled.*

**9**[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt:**10**"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. **11**The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like



other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. **12**I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' **13**But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' **14**I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

*(Response After Reading)*

P: The Gospel of the Lord

**C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day**

**There's wideness in God's mercy,**

**ELW#588**

- 1 There's a wideness in God's mercy,  
like the wideness of the sea;  
there's a kindness in God's justice  
which is more than liberty.  
There is no place where earth's sorrows  
are more felt than up in heav'n.  
There is no place where earth's failings  
have such kindly judgment giv'n.**
  
- 2 There is welcome for the sinner,  
and a promised grace made good;  
there is mercy with the Savior;  
there is healing in his blood.  
There is grace enough for thousands  
of new worlds as great as this;**

**there is room for fresh creations  
in that upper home of bliss.**

**3 For the love of God is broader  
than the measures of our mind;  
and the heart of the Eternal  
is most wonderfully kind.  
But we make this love too narrow  
by false limits of our own;  
and we magnify its strictness  
with a zeal God will not own.**

**4 'Tis not all we owe to Jesus;  
it is something more than all:  
greater good because of evil,  
larger mercy through the fall.  
Make our love, O God, more faithful;  
let us take you at your word,  
and our lives will be thanksgiving  
for the goodness of the Lord.**

### **Apostles' Creed**

**A: Let us confess our faith:**

**C: 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 Intercession**

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

### ***A brief silence.***

God of mercy, you are in the midst of us and we are called by your name. Inspire your church to serve and love all people with the unceasing grace you extend to us.

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of all creation, you formed a world where even the sparrow finds a home. Preserve the beauty and diversity of all creatures with whom we share the earth. Lead us to protect all living things.

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of peace, you are an ever-present help in time of trouble. Rescue families and nations torn apart by violence and warfare (especially). Unite all people toward common goals of reconciliation and peace for every person.

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of hope, you stand with the suffering and give strength. Comfort your people filled with fear or anger, anxiety or shame. Bring healing to all who are sick in body, mind, or spirit (especially).

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of restoration, you call us to trust in you and not ourselves alone. Make this congregation a community of humility and repentance, ready to encounter you in love and follow in your ways.

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

God of eternal life, to you be the glory forever. We give you thanks for (James of Jerusalem and) all who have fought the good fight, finished the race, kept the faith, and now live with you.

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **Passing of the Peace**

P: The peace of the lord be with you all.....

**C: and also with you**

*The Offering is received as the Lord's table is prepared*

## **Offertory**

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

ELW #182

**Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,  
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.**

**Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,  
that we may be fed with the bread of life.**

**Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;  
unite them with the prayers we offer.**

**Grace our table with your presence,  
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

## **Offering Prayer**

**P: Gracious God,**

**C: In your great love you richly provide for our  
needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing,  
and make us ready to share with all in need;  
through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.  
Amen.**

## **Words of Institution**

1 Corinthians 11:23-25

## **The Lord's Prayer**

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

**C: 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 COMMUNION**

P: Christ invites you to this table.  
Come, taste and see.

## **Distribution**

## **Communion songs**

### **Blessed Assurance**

**ELW#638**

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.**

### **Refrain**

**This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior, all the day long:  
this is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long.**

**2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
angels descending bring from above  
echoes of mercy, whispers of love. Refrain**

**3 Perfect submission, all is at rest;  
I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
watching and waiting, looking above,  
filled with his goodness, lost in his love. Refrain**

**For the Bread Which You Have Broken  
ELW#494**

**1 For the bread which you have broken,  
for the wine which you have poured,  
for the words which you have spoken,  
now we give you thanks, O Lord.**

**2 By this promise that you love us,  
by your gift of peace restored,  
by your call to heav'n above us,  
hallow all our lives, O Lord.**

**3 With the saints who now adore you,  
seated at the heav'nly board,  
may the church still waiting for you  
keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.**

**4 In your service, Lord, defend us;  
in our hearts keep watch and ward;  
in the world to which you send us  
let your kingdom come, O Lord.**

**Sending**

## **Blessing**

P: May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior keep you in his grace.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

P: God of the abundant table,

**C: you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey.**

**Give us your grace on the road**

**that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

**Amen.**

## **Benediction**

P: God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace.

And may the holy Trinity, † one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

**C: Amen.**

## **Announcements**

## **Sending Song**

**Let all things now living,**

**ELW#881**

**1 Let all things now living  
a song of thanksgiving**



**to God the creator triumphantly raise,  
who fashioned and made us,  
protected and stayed us,  
who still guides us on to the end of our days.  
God's banners are o'er us,  
God's light goes before us,  
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,  
till shadows have vanished  
and darkness is banished,  
as forward we travel from light into light.**

**2 God rules all the forces:  
the stars in their courses  
and sun in its orbit obediently shine;  
the hills and the mountains,  
the rivers and fountains,  
the deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.  
We too should be voicing  
our love and rejoicing;  
with glad adoration a song let us raise  
till all things now living  
unite in thanksgiving:  
"To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"**

### **Dismissal**

A: Go in peace ...

**All: as a family of God built on love: Worshiping,  
welcoming, learning, and serving in Christ's name.**

### **Postlude**