



Faith Lutheran Church
Summer Worship Oct 30th, 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:

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

ELW 504

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God,
a sword and shield victorious;
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod
and wins salvation glorious.
The old satanic foe
has sworn to work us woe!
With craft and dreadful might
he arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.

- 2 No strength of ours can match his might!
We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight,
whom God himself elected.
You ask who this may be?
The Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord,
God's only Son, adored.

He holds the field victorious.

3 Though hordes of devils fill the land
all threat'ning to devour us,
we tremble not, unmoved we stand;
they cannot overpower us.
Let this world's tyrant rage;
in battle we'll engage!
His might is doomed to fail;
God's judgment must prevail!
One little word subdues him.

4 God's Word forever shall abide,
no thanks to foes, who fear it;
for God himself fights by our side
with weapons of the Spirit.
Were they to take our house,
goods, honor, child, or spouse,
though life be wrenched away,
they cannot win the day.
The kingdom's ours forever!

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: Merciful God, gracious and benevolent, through your Son you invite all the world to a meal of mercy. Grant that we may eagerly follow his call, and bring us with all your saints into your life of justice and joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 1:10-18

Isaiah announces God's displeasure with the offerings and sacrifices of a people who are without compassion. He urges them instead to do justice and defend the oppressed. Indeed, if they repent, God promises that they will be made as clean as new-fallen snow.

10 Hear the word of the Lord,
you rulers of Sodom!

Listen to the teaching of our God,
you people of Gomorrah!

11 What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?
says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of
rams and the fat of fed beasts;
I do not delight in the blood of bulls,
or of lambs, or of goats.

12 When you come to appear before me,
who asked this from your hand?

Trample my courts no more;

13 bringing offerings is futile;
incense is an abomination to me.

New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation—
I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.

14 Your new moons and your appointed festivals
my soul hates;
they have become a burden to me,
I am weary of bearing them.

15 When you stretch out your hands,
I will hide my eyes from you;
even though you make many prayers,
I will not listen;
your hands are full of blood.

16 Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
remove the evil of your doings
from before my eyes;
cease to do evil,

17 learn to do good;
seek justice,
rescue the oppressed,
defend the orphan,
plead for the widow.

18 Come now, let us argue it out,
says the Lord:
though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be like snow;
though they are red like crimson,
they shall become like wool.

Psalm 32:1-7

1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!

**2 Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,
because of my groaning all day long.

**4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal
my guilt. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the
Lord." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

**6 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you
in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they
shall not reach them.**

7 You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Second Reading:

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

This letter attributed to Paul begins with a typical salutation, blessing, and words of praise for what God is accomplishing among the recipients. By remaining faithful and growing spiritually during hardship, the Thessalonian Christians have become witnesses to the glory of God.

1 Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,
To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord
Jesus Christ:

2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus
Christ. **3** We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers
and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly,
and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing.

4 Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God
for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and
the afflictions that you are enduring.

11 To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will
make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good
resolve and work of faith, **12** so that the name of our Lord Jesus
may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of
our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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 19:1-10

P: The holy gospel according to Luke

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

Jesus encounters Zacchaeus, a rich man who is also a lost sinner. Moved by Jesus' acceptance of him, Zacchaeus becomes a model of discipleship. In immediate response to being restored to God's people, Zacchaeus ministers to the poor and seeks reconciliation with those whom he has wronged.

1[Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through it.**2** A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. **3** He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. **4** So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. **5** When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." **6** So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." **8** Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." **9** Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. **10** For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

(Response After Reading)

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

ELW# 517

- 1 Lord, keep us steadfast in your word;
curb those who by deceit or sword
would wrest the kingdom from your Son
and bring to naught all he has done.**
- 2 Lord Jesus Christ, your power make known,
for you are Lord of lords alone;
defend your holy church, that we
may sing your praise eternally.**
- 3 O Comforter of priceless worth,**

**send peace and unity on earth;
support us in our final strife
and lead us out of death to life.**

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.

Keep your church steadfast in your word, reforming God. Deepen our faith and increase our love in Jesus' name. Further ecumenical dialogue and partnerships (local partnerships may be named) and equip us for unified witness and service in the world.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Come to the aid of the poor, especially those suffering food and water shortages or loss of homes due to natural disasters. Halt the exploitation of the earth's resources and lead us to seek justice and rescue the oppressed.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Guide leaders of all nations, almighty God. Heal divisions, build trust, and remove barriers that prevent collaboration and cooperation. Bring neighborhoods, cities, and countries together to work for the common good.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Save from trouble those who struggle with hunger, homelessness, or addiction. Strengthen the overworked and give hope to those who do not have enough work. Console those who are burdened by illness or grief (especially).

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Reveal yourself to all who seek you. Empower the hospitality ministries of this congregation to welcome others to your feast of love. Foster generosity in our stewardship ministries to both our congregation and community.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Gather the faithful at the table of your eternal banquet. We give thanks for those who have witnessed to your gracious presence, especially Martin Luther and all who strive to reform and renew the church.

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 now.**

**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

Prayers for Healing (Slide)

PM: After you have received communion, you may choose to kneel at the altar and receive a word of blessing and a prayer; the laying on of hands and anointing with oil as a physical gesture of healing. (James 5:13-16)

Our Lord Jesus healed many as a sign of the reign of God come near and sent the disciples to continue this work of healing-with prayer, the laying on of hands, and anointing. In the name of Christ, the great healer and reconciler of the world, we now entrust to God all who are in need of healing.

PM: Let us pray....

All: Living God, through the laying on of hands and anointing, grant comfort to all who are in need of healing.

When they are afraid, give them courage;

When they are afflicted, give them patience;

**When they are dejected, give them hope; and
When they are alone, give them assurance.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

Distribution

Communion songs

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

ELW # 512

**Lord, let my heart be good soil,
open to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil,
where love can grow and peace is understood.
When my heart is hard, break the stone away.
When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart be good soil.**

REPEAT 2X

For the Bread Which You Have Broken

ELW# 689

**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

What a fellowship, what a joy divine

ELW# 774

1 What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain

Leaning, leaning, (*Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,*)
safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning, (*leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,*)
leaning on the everlasting arms.

2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,

leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

Dismissal

A: Go in peace ...

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

Postlude