

Summer Worship

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Welcome to Faith and thank you for worshiping with us! All are Welcome.

Faith Lutheran Church is a family of God built on love: worshipping, welcoming, learning, and serving in Christ's name.

GATHERING

Prelude Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn "Baptized in Water"

ELW #456

- Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ our king: heirs of salvation, trusting his promise, faithfully now God's praise we sing.
- 2 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ our king: one with his rising, freed and forgiven, thankfully now God's praise we sing.
- Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our king: born of the Spirit, we are God's children; joyfully now God's praise we sing.

Greeting

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

C: And also with you!

A: You are the treasured people of the LORD,

C: a people holy to the LORD our God.

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

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

A: One does not live by bread alone,

C: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

Prayer Requests

Please write any prayer requests on the clip board located on the table in the Narthex. There will also be an opportunity to say requests aloud or in the silence of your hearts during the "Prayers of the Church."

The Hymn of Praise

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" ELW #858 vs 1,2&4

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear now to his temple draw near, joining in glad adoration!

2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen all that is needful has been sent by his gracious ordaining?

4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him! All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!

Let the amen sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!

Prayer of the Day

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

A: Let us pray. ...

C: Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

First Reading

1 Kings 19:4-8

A food crisis becomes a faith crisis for the Israelites in the wilderness. The hungry people forget God's saving work in the exodus, and they wish for the food they had in Egypt. Nevertheless, God miraculously meets their needs, with manna for bread and quail for meat.

⁴[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors."⁵Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." ⁶He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. ⁷The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." ⁸He got up, and ate and drank;

then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

Psalm Psalm 34:1-8

- ¹I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
 - ²I will glory in the LORD; let the lowly hear and rejoice.
 - ³Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's name together.
 - ⁴I sought the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.
 - ⁵Look upon the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.
 - ⁶I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me and saved me from all my troubles.
 - ⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD and delivers them.
 - ⁸Taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!

Second Reading

Ephesians 4:25—5:2

Christians are called to be imitators of God. This does not mean Christians are perfect. Rather, the Spirit is at work in our lives so that our actions and attitudes genuinely reflect the love and forgiveness we have received through Christ and his death.

²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands,

so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. ^{5:1}Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

(after the readings)

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

Kids' Time

Gospel Acclamation "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah" ELW #172 (2 times)

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

Gospel John 6:35, 41-51

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵Jesus said to [the crowd,] "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

⁴¹Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said,

"I am the bread that came down from heaven." 42They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" 43Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. 44No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. 45 It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. ⁴⁶Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. 48I am the bread of life. 49Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

(after the reading)

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Sermon Song "O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts" ELW #658

- 1 O Jesus, joy of loving hearts, the fount of life, the light of all: from ev'ry bliss that earth imparts we turn, unfilled, to hear your call.
- 2 We taste you, ever-living bread, and long to feast upon you still; we drink of you, the fountainhead; our thirsting souls from you we fill.

- 3 For you our restless spirits yearn, where'er our changing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.
- 4 O Jesus, ever with us stay!

 Make all our moments fair and bright!

 Oh, chase the night of sin away!

 Shed o'er the world your holy light.

Response to the Word (Apostle's Creed) WOV p.49

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

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

A: Living together in trust and hope, we 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. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. 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 & Forgiveness

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

C: pray in the Holy Spirit.

P: Keep yourselves in the love of God; Jude 21

C: look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

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

Stand

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

Silence for reflection and self examination.

P: Gracious God,

C: 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

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

C: Amen

The Prayers of the Church

A: Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Reignite the prayer of the church. By your Spirit, (and remembering Clare of San Damiano, who was known for her powerful prayer,) root your church around the globe in prayer and spiritual practices. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

We rely on the goodness of your creation in everything we do. We pray for trees that offer shade and for our fellow creatures that depend on the trees for shelter and food. Sustain the work of all who advocate for forests and wilderness areas. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Guide our leaders and nations with a spirit of justice and mercy. Let no evil come out of our mouths, but rather let us extend grace. We pray for our enemies. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Sustain feeding ministries and organizations such as ELCA World Hunger and our local food pantries (*especially*). We work and pray for a day when hunger is no more. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

We pray for this congregation and for all who are gathered. Be present among anyone who cannot be with us today. Be with all who are hurting, grieving, or ill (*especially*). Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We remember the saints who have gone before us in faith. Trusting in the promise of the resurrection, we find hope in your communion of saints of all times and all places. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping.

Amen.

Passing of the Peace

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

C: And also with you.

- 1 Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer for all things living, you have made good: harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard, hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.
- 2 God, bless the labor we bring to serve you, that with our neighbor we may be fed. Sowing or tilling, we would work with you, harvesting, milling for daily bread.
- 3 Father, providing food for your children, by Wisdom's guiding teach us to share one with another, so that, rejoicing with us, all others may know your care.
- 4 Then will your blessing reach ev'ry people, freely confessing your gracious hand. Where you are reigning, no one will hunger; your love sustaining showers the land.

Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray. Merciful God,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MEAL

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, almighty Father, now and forever.

C: Amen

The Lord's Prayer

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

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

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

Distribution "What Feast of Love" ELW #487

- 1 What feast of love is offered here, what banquet come from heaven? What food of everlasting life, what gracious gift is given? This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heaven. Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the manna given!
- 2 What light of truth is offered here, what covenant from heaven? What hope of everlasting life, what wondrous word is given? This, this is Christ the king,

the sun come down from heaven. Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is given!

What wine of love is offered here, what crimson drink from heaven? What stream of everlasting life, what precious blood is given? This, this is Christ the king, the sweetest wine of heaven. Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is given!

"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

SENDING

Post-Communion Blessing

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ nourish your soul and fill you with his grace now and forever! C: Amen

Post-Communion Canticle

"Praise to You, O God of Mercy" FLW #208

- Praise to you, O God of mercy: 1 thanks be to you forever! Raising high the weak and lowly: thanks be to you forever!
- From of old you loved and sought us: 2 thanks be to you forever! Truth and justice you have taught us: thanks be to you forever!

Bridge

Strong is your faithfulness, strong is your love, rememb'ring your covenant of life with us.

3 Praise to you, O God of mercy: thanks be to you forever! Raising high the weak and lowly: thanks be to you forever! Thanks be to you forever!

Post-Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever. Amen

Benediction

P: Go from this meal knowing that God blesses you and keeps you. That God's face shines on you and is gracious to you. That God looks on you with great favor and gives you peace.

C: Amen

Announcements

Sending Song "On Our Way Rejoicing" ELW #537

On our way rejoicing gladly let us go.
Christ our Lord has conquered; vanquished is the foe.
Christ without, our safety;
Christ within, our joy;
who, if we be faithful, can our hope destroy?

Refrain

On our way rejoicing; as we forward move, hearken to our praises, O blest God of love!

2 Unto God the Father

joyful songs we sing; unto God the Savior thankful hearts we bring; unto God the Spirit bow we and adore, on our way rejoicing now and evermore. *Refrain*

Dismissal

A: Go in peace and serve the Lord! C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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