

5-25-25 Full Bulletin



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# He is Risen!

**Welcome to Faith and thank you for  
worshipping with us!**

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

*Liturgy from "With One Voice" (WOV) Bread of Life, Setting 5 (blue hymnal p.28). ELW refers to the red hymnal.*

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**GATHERING**

**THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

*Please stand.*

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

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

P: In the name of ✝ the One  
who was, who is, and who is to come.

**C: Amen.**

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection,  
and called to live the baptized life,  
let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

*Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.*

P: Holy God,  
we give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that make a people your own, that restore  
to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in  
your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

**C: make us one as you are one.**

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that strengthen believers and give new life  
to beloved servants of your church; waters that  
extend your boundless love and cross barriers of  
our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

**C: make us one as you are one.**

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that open the hearts of believers  
and give a voice in the night to those in captivity;  
waters that set your people on a new path,  
rejoicing in the Spirit's power.

Baptized into you, O Living One,

**C: make us one as you are one.**

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One,  
that our every day is shaped by these waters  
that give us our very lives in you.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and  
Risen One.

**C: Amen.**

## **GATHERING HYMN**

“All Are Welcome”

ELW #641

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell  
and all can safely live,  
a place where saints and children tell  
how hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,  
rock of faith and vault of grace;  
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

## *Refrain*

All are welcome, all are welcome,  
all are welcome in this place.

2 Let us build a house where prophets speak,  
and words are strong and true,  
where all God's children dare to seek  
to dream God's reign anew.  
Here the cross shall stand as witness  
and as symbol of God's grace;  
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: *Refrain*

3 Let us build a house where love is found  
in water, wine and wheat:  
a banquet hall on holy ground  
where peace and justice meet.  
Here the love of God, through Jesus,  
is revealed in time and space;  
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: *Refrain*

4 Let us build a house where hands will reach  
beyond the wood and stone  
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,  
and live the Word they've known.  
Here the outcast and the stranger  
bear the image of God's face;  
let us bring an end to fear and danger: *Refrain*

5 Let us build a house where all are named,  
their songs and visions heard  
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed  
as words within the Word.  
Built of tears and cries and laughter,  
prayers of faith and songs of grace,  
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: *Refrain*

## **GREETING**

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

**C: And also with you.**

## **KYRIE**

WOV p.28

Kyrie eleison:	<b>Lord, have mercy.</b>
Christe eleison:	<b>Christ, have mercy.</b>
Kyrie eleison:	<b>Lord, have mercy.</b>

## **HYMN OF PRAISE (2X)**

“Lord, I lift Your Name on High” ELW #857

**Lord I lift Your name on high  
Lord I love to sing Your praises  
I'm so glad You're in my life  
I'm so glad You came to save us**

**You came from heaven to earth  
To show the way  
From the earth to the cross  
My debt to pay  
From the cross to the grave  
From the grave to the sky  
Lord I lift Your name on high**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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

**P: Let us Pray.**

**C: Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## **WORD**

### **FIRST READING**

**Acts 16:9-15**

*A vision compels Paul to move his ministry into Greece. There he meets Lydia, an important person in the business community,*

*whose heart has been opened by God to receive the gospel. Her conversion and baptism provide the impetus for the founding of the church at Philippi.*

<sup>9</sup> During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” <sup>10</sup> When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

<sup>11</sup> We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup> and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. <sup>13</sup> On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. <sup>14</sup> A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup> When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.” And she prevailed upon us.

## **PSALM 67**

<sup>1</sup> May God be merciful to us and bless us;  
may the light of God's face shine upon us.

<sup>2</sup> **Let your way be known upon earth,  
your saving health among all nations.**

<sup>3</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

<sup>4</sup> **Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the  
nations on earth.**

<sup>5</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

<sup>6</sup> **The earth has brought forth its increase;  
God, our own God, has blessed us.**

<sup>7</sup> May God give us blessing,  
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

## **SECOND READING**

Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5

*John's vision of a new Jerusalem coming out of heaven provides continuity with God's past actions. Yet in this new city, God's presence replaces the temple, and the glory of God and the Lamb supplants sun and moon.*

<sup>10</sup> And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

<sup>22</sup> I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup> And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light,

and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup> The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. <sup>25</sup> Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup> People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup> But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

<sup>22:1</sup> Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup> Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; <sup>4</sup> they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup> And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

*After the readings.*

**L:** The word of the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

## **KIDS' TIME**

## **GOSPEL ACCLIMATION**

WOV p.31

*Please stand.*

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

**Alleluia. You have the words of eternal Life.**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

**GOSPEL**

John 14:23-29

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>23</sup> Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot),] “Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. <sup>24</sup> Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

<sup>25</sup> “I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. <sup>28</sup> You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I am coming to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father,

because the Father is greater than I. <sup>29</sup> And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.”

*After the reading.*

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

## SERMON

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Please stand.*

“Where Charity and Love Prevail”

ELW #359

- 1 Where charity and love prevail,  
there God is ever found;  
brought here together by Christ's love,  
by love we thus are bound.
- 2 With grateful joy and holy fear,  
God's charity we learn;  
let us with heart and mind and soul  
now love God in return.
- 3 Let us recall that in our midst  
dwells Christ, God's holy Son;  
as members of each body joined,  
in him we are made one.

4 Let strife among us be unknown;  
let all contentions cease.

Be God's the glory that we seek;  
be his our only peace.

5 Let us forgive each other's faults  
as we our own confess,  
that we may love each other well  
in Christian gentleness.

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**A:** Let us confess together the faith of the Church,  
using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**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 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.**

## **THE PRAYERS**

*Please be seated.*

A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

Unite your people with communities of faith throughout the world. Further cooperation between people of different faith traditions and bless our non-Christian neighbors (*specific partners may be named here*), that we learn and grow in deeper relationship. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Bless the earth with fresh water, clean air, and rich soil. Nurture growing crops and encourage communities developing sustainable farming practices. Help us to live in balance and harmony with your good creation. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Reconcile nations and communities suffering from violence and conflict. Protect refugees, asylum-seekers, and all who flee their homes seeking safety and security. Make all nations safe for both migrants and residents. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Sustain all who are in need, especially individuals and families struggling with trauma or addiction. Support caregivers, especially nurses, doctors, counselors, and social workers. Come alongside all who are ill or struggling (*especially...and those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts*). Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

This Memorial Day weekend, we remember all who have died in military service. Soothe loved ones who mourn, and strengthen support systems for veterans and their families. Bring peace among nations, that war and conflict around the world might cease. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

We give you thanks for all your saints raised to new life in Christ (*especially*). Gather us, with them, into the peace only you can give. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**Amen.**

## **MEAL**

### **PEACE**

**P:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** And also with you.

### **OFFERING**

#### **PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS**

“Give Thanks”

*Please stand.*

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
give thanks to the Holy One,  
give thanks because he’s given Jesus Christ, his  
Son.**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
give thanks to the Holy One,  
give thanks because he’s given Jesus Christ, his  
Son.**

**And now let the weak say, “I am strong,”  
let the poor say, “I am rich,”  
because of what the Lord has done for us.**

**And now let the weak say, “I am strong,”  
let the poor say, “I am rich,”  
because of what the Lord has done for us.  
Give thanks!**

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

**A: Risen One,**

**C: you have gathered us around your table of  
grace along with these gifts we bring. Come  
among us again, breathe your life into us, and  
enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your  
risen body in the world. Amen.**

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*Please be seated*

**P: The Lord be with you.**

**C: And also with you.**

**P: Lift up your hearts.**

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

**P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.**

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise**

**P: It is indeed right ...**

**... join their unending hymn:**

**WOV p.36**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the  
highest.**

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**P: Lord, 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**

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

## **COMMUNION**

WOV p.39

**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.**

## **COMMUNION SONG(S)**

**“For the Beauty of the Earth”**

**ELW #879**

- 1 For the beauty of the earth,  
for the beauty of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies:

### *Refrain*

Christ, our God, to thee we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.

- 2 For the wonder of each hour  
of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale and tree and flow'r,  
sun and moon and stars of light: *Refrain*
- 3 For the joy of ear and eye,  
for the heart and mind's delight,  
for the mystic harmony  
linking sense to sound and sight: *Refrain*
- 4 For the joy of human love,  
brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth and friends above;  
for all gentle thoughts and mild: *Refrain*
- 5 For each perfect gift of thine,  
peace on earth and joy in heav'n;  
for thyself, best gift divine,  
to our world so freely giv'n: *Refrain*

## **COMMUNION BLESSING**

*Please stand.*

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ  
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen**

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone  
what God has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's  
holy name.

Send us with your promises, O God, and lead us  
forth in joy  
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia.

## PRAYER

P: Living One,

C: in this feast you have made yourself known to  
us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of  
your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a  
wounded and weary world. Amen.

## SENDING

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please be seated.*

## BLESSING

*Please stand.*

P: The triune God,  
who was, who is, and who is to come,  
Sovereign, ✝ Savior, and Spirit,

light your way with resurrection dawn,  
now and always.

**C: Amen.**

## **SENDING SONG**

“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” ELW #886 vs 1-3&6

- 1 Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing  
my great Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of his grace!
- 2 My gracious Master and my God,  
assist me to proclaim,  
to spread through all the earth abroad  
the honors of your name.
- 3 The name of Jesus charms our fears  
and bids our sorrows cease,  
sings music in the sinner's ears,  
brings life and health and peace.
- 6 To God all glory, praise, and love  
be now and ever giv'n  
by saints below and saints above,  
the church in earth and heav'n.

**DISMISSAL**

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

A: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## **POSTLUDE**

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