



February 16, 2020

6th Sunday after Epiphany

Now the Feast and Celebration

***We welcome you
with open arms and open hearts!***

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

Young children are welcome in the service. Age-appropriate activity bags are available in the lobby.

If you are new to Faith, please complete a response card (can be found in the pew) and drop it in the offering plate or hand it to the ushers.

We would like to be in touch with you
Evangelical Lutheran Worship: "ELW" refers to the Red Hymnal.
page numbers at the bottom of the page, hymn numbers at the top of the page.

Welcome to Faith and thank you for coming!

God Gathers The Body Of Christ

(Now the Feast Liturgy (NtF) is located inside the back cover of the red hymnal.)

If you have an announcement to share with the congregation, please check in with the assisting minister Carl Russ before the service begins.

Prelude

Susan Peterson, Accompanist

Call to Worship

Welcome

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

All: And also with you.

AM: *Please take a moment to share God's peace with your neighbors.*

Any Prayer requests?

The Gathering Hymn

“God is Here!”

ELW #526 Vv. 1,3,4

The Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

PM: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the eternal voice from heaven,
the anointed and beloved one,
the Spirit moving over the waters.

All: Amen.

PM: As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession,
trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God who searches us and knows us,

**All: you have shown us what is good,
but we have looked to other lights to find our way.
We have not been just in our dealings with others.
We have chosen revenge over mercy.
We have promoted ourselves
instead of walking humbly with you.
With what shall we come before you?
Forgive us our sin,
and show us your salvation
in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

PM: Beloved of God,
you have not received the spirit of the world,
but the Spirit that is from God,
poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ.
Receive the promise of baptism:

You are God’s child; † your sins are forgiven.

Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.

All: Amen.

The Kyrie

(projected) NtF page 3

The Hymn of Praise

“Now the Feast”

(projected) NtF page 4-5

The Prayer of the Day

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(Sung)

AM: The Lord be with you. **All: And also with you.**

AM: Let us pray.

(read)

All: O God, the strength of all who hope in you, because we are weak mortals we accomplish nothing good without you. Help us to see and understand the things we ought to do, and give us grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(AM: please be seated for the readings)

God Speaks To Us In The Word

First Reading

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Lector: A reading from the 30th chapter of Deuteronomy:

The LORD sets before the people of God a clear choice. Life and prosperity will come to the faithful; loss of the land will be the consequence of disobedience. Choosing life entails loving and holding fast to the Lord. Life in God's presence presupposes the promise made to the ancestors.

[Moses said to the people:] ¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may

live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

Psalm 119:1-8

¹Happy are they whose way is blameless, who follow the teachings of the LORD!

²Happy are they who observe your decrees and seek you with all their hearts,

³who never do any wrong, but always walk in your ways.

⁴You laid down your commandments, that we should fully keep them.

⁵Oh, that my ways were made so direct that I might keep your statutes!

⁶Then I should not be put to shame, when I regard all your commandments.

⁷I will thank you with a true heart, when I have learned your righteous judgments.

⁸I will keep your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Lector: A reading from the 3rd chapter of 1Corinthians:

Human leaders in the church are not the ones who control ministry. Rather they are coworkers who belong to God, the one who truly controls and continuously empowers the ministry of the church.

¹Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. ²I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, ³for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to

human inclinations? ⁴For when one says, “I belong to Paul,” and another, “I belong to Apollos,” are you not merely human?

⁵What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. ⁶I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. ⁷So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. ⁸The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. ⁹For we are God’s servants, working together; you are God’s field, God’s building.

Lector: Word of God, Word of life. **All: Thanks be to God**

Kids’ Talk

Nancy Osborn

(AM: *Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation*)

Gospel Acclamation (*sung*)

(*projected*) NtF p. 7

All: Alleluia, Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. (Repeat)

Gospel

Matthew 5:21-37

Spark Bible page 272

PM: The Holy Gospel according Matthew chapter 5:

All: Glory to you O Lord!

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus exhorts his followers to embrace standards of righteousness that exceed legal requirements and traditional expectations.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ²¹“You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not murder’; and ‘whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.’ ²²But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, ‘You fool,’ you will be liable to the hell of fire. ²³So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against

you, ²⁴leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. ²⁵Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. ²⁶Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

²⁷“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ ²⁸But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. ³⁰And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

³¹“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ ³²But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

³³“Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.’ ³⁴But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, ³⁵or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. ³⁶And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. ³⁷Let your word be ‘Yes, Yes’ or ‘No, No’; anything more than this comes from the evil one.”

PM: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

Pastor Paul Anderson

(AM: Please stand as you are able for the Hymn of the Day)

The Hymn of the Day "O God of Mercy, God of Light"

ELW #714

Vv. 1, 2, 5, 6.

We Respond To God's Word

The Apostles' Creed *(AM leads)*

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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 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.

The Prayers of the Church

“Let My Prayer Rise Up” *(projected)* ELW #232

**Let my prayer rise up like incense before you,
The lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.**

(AM: Please be seated for the prayers)

Trusting that God hears us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

Shepherding God, you protect and guide us with your word. Lead your church into ever closer relationship with you, that we might better know your commands, hold fast to your decrees, and live in your law. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of peace, you show solidarity with all who suffer. Bring an end to violence, war, discrimination, and all other forms of deadly hate, that we may experience your love through the power of justice. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of hope, you provide bountifully for all people. Use our lives to alleviate global injustice and eliminate poverty, that all benefit from the abundant gifts you pour out for your people. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of growth, you nurture this community. Cultivate in us a spirit of service to one another, and bless us in the ministry we share (*ministries of the congregation may be named*). Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Confident that you are able to accomplish more than we even dare to ask, we bring these prayers before you, believing in your saving grace revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(AM: We will now receive the offering)

The Offering “As the Grains of Wheat” (*projected*) NtF p.9

The Offering Prayer

AM: Let us pray,

**All: God of wonder,
you formed us in our mother’s womb,
and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine.
We place them on your table,
together with our lives and all that you have made.
Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit.
We wait for your mercy;
we long for your peace;
we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ,
our banquet of life. Amen.**

Jesus Comes To Us In His Supper

The Words of Institution

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

The Lord's Prayer

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

PM: Lord Jesus, 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.**

The Distribution

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. The Risen Christ is truly here in the bread and wine, so come, eat, and trust that his promise of forgiveness and everlasting life is for you!

Grape juice is light colored; wine is red.

Wafers are nut, dairy and gluten free.

Communion is by kneeling at the altar.

Distribution

“Lamb of God”

NtF p.13

1) Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

Chorus: Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

2) Lamb of God, you break the chains of hatred and fear: (*chorus*)

3) Lamb of God, you are the way of justice and peace: (*chorus*)

4) Lamb of God, you are the way of mercy and love: (*chorus*)

5) Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

“Blessed Assurance”

ELW # 638

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

ELW #471

Post Communion Prayer

PM: Faithful God,

All: you have kept your promise to us in this meal,
nourishing us with the gift of salvation.

Now send your servants forth in peace,

that we may testify to your goodness

and share the hope that is ours

in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Benediction

PM: May Christ, the wisdom and power of God,
and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and
purpose. And the blessing of almighty God, the Father,
the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always. **Amen.**

(Please come forward if you have an announcement for the congregation)

Sending Song “God’s Word is Our Great Heritage” ELW # 509

Announcements for Congregation

Doxology *(sung)* ELW # 885

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

Dismissal

AM: Go in peace as a family of God built on love:

**All: Worshiping, welcoming, serving and growing in Christ’s name.
Thanks be to God.**

God Sends Us Into The World

Coffee Hour Postlude



Coffee & Goodies after worship. We need people to sign up to
host and/or donate for this, please sign-up on the sheet on the
fridge in the kitchen.

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Today Feb 16

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Feb 23

Accompanist	Lila Gyles
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Assisting Minister	John Marten
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Pray for At-Home Members and Friends...

Battling Cancer: Peter S. Greg Karlsgodt.

Prayers for: Dan Bailey, Lynn Richardson, Nate Anderson, Joshua Furniss, Brian Belcher, Friends and Family of Keith Bell, John, Leta and Ray, Timothy Hawes, Karl, Shirley Hanson, Dale Hughey, Irene Stengrimson, Victoria Moore, LaVonne Beers,

The Beehive: Morry Mitteness, Yvonne Olson

Remington: Betty Swift, Chuck Olson

Home Nursing Care: Virginia Rotering, Smitty

Incarcerated: Jacob Bachman, George Davis

Valley View: Ruth Dillon

Discovery Care:

Please let us know if you are having surgery or know of someone who is, or if you or someone you love is in the hospital. We are here to help support in any way we can, especially with prayers.

New volunteer opportunity!

Sign up to lead the Kids' Talk worship during the service.

Sign up sheet for every 3rd Sunday in the lobby.

SENIOR “LEAPING FISH” FELLOWSHIP



Save Saturday afternoon February 29th at 1pm for our Senior Fellowship get-together. We will do a Personal Care Kit project for Lutheran World Relief and then have an Alaskan fish meal (there will be a meat alternative for those who don't eat fish).

Stay tuned for more information.

If you have a question, contact Nancy Osborn at 363-2139 or Linda Beyer at 207-3471.

Sunday March 1st
Emmaus Campus Ministry
Will lead us in worship
And have a program after the service for everyone.