



## Summer Worship

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.

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### GATHERING

#### ***Prelude***

#### ***Call to Worship***

#### ***Gathering Hymn***    "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"    ELW #888

- 1    O beautiful for spacious skies,  
for amber waves of grain,  
for purple mountain majesties  
above the fruited plain:  
America! America!  
God shed his grace on thee,  
and crown thy good with brotherhood  
from sea to shining sea.
- 2    O beautiful for heroes proved  
in liberating strife,  
who more than self their country loved,  
and mercy more than life:  
America! America!  
May God thy gold refine,  
till all success be nobleness,  
and ev'ry gain divine.

3 O beautiful for patriot dream  
that sees beyond the years  
thine alabaster cities gleam,  
undimmed by human tears:  
America! America!  
God mend thine ev'ry flaw,  
confirm thy soul in self-control,  
thy liberty in law.

### ***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.**

### ***The Hymn of Praise***

“This Is My Father's World”

ELW #824 vs 1&2

**1 This is my Father's world,  
and to my list'ning ears**

**all nature sings, and round  
me rings  
the music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world;**

I rest me in the thought  
of rocks and trees, of skies  
and seas;  
his hand the wonders  
wrought.

declare their maker's  
praise.  
This is my Father's world;  
he shines in all that's fair.  
In the rustling grass I hear  
him pass;  
he speaks to me  
ev'rywhere.

2 This is my Father's world;  
the birds their carols raise;  
the morning light, the lily  
white,

### ***Prayer of the Day***

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

A: Let us pray. ...

C: O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## **WORD**

### ***First Reading***

*Isaiah 66:10-14*

*Those who returned from the exile found that the hopes for the glorious restoration of Judah were not completely fulfilled. For these disappointed people, the prophet envisions salvation in the image of a nursing woman. Mother Jerusalem and a mothering God remind the community how they are sustained and supported.*

<sup>10</sup> Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,  
all you who love her;  
rejoice with her in joy,  
all you who mourn over her—  
<sup>11</sup> that you may nurse and be satisfied  
from her consoling breast;  
that you may drink deeply with delight  
from her glorious bosom.  
<sup>12</sup> For thus says the LORD:  
I will extend prosperity to her like a river,  
and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream;  
and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm,  
and dandled on her knees.  
<sup>13</sup> As a mother comforts her child,  
so I will comfort you;  
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.  
<sup>14</sup> You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;  
your bodies shall flourish like the grass;  
and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his  
servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

### ***Psalm 66:1-9***

<sup>1</sup> Be joyful in God, all you lands;  
be joyful, all the earth.  
<sup>2</sup> **Sing the glory of God's name;  
sing the glory of God's praise.**  
<sup>3</sup> Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your  
great strength your enemies cringe before you.  
<sup>4</sup> **All the earth bows down before you,  
sings to you, sings out your name."**

<sup>5</sup> Come now and see the works of God,  
how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.

<sup>6</sup> **God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in God.**

<sup>7</sup> Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations;  
let no rebels exalt themselves.

<sup>8</sup> **Bless our God, you peoples;  
let the sound of praise be heard.**

<sup>9</sup> Our God has kept us among the living  
and has not allowed our feet to slip.

### ***Second Reading***

*Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16*

*In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one other in "the family of faith."*

[<sup>1</sup> My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. <sup>2</sup> Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup> For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. <sup>4</sup> All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. <sup>5</sup> For all must carry their own loads.

<sup>6</sup> Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.]

<sup>7</sup> Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. <sup>8</sup> If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit.

<sup>9</sup> So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup> So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

<sup>11</sup> See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! <sup>12</sup> It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. <sup>13</sup> Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. <sup>14</sup> May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. <sup>15</sup> For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! <sup>16</sup> As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

*(after the readings)*

**L:** Holy wisdom, holy word.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## ***Kids' Time***

### ***Gospel Acclamation***

“Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks”

WOV #671 vs 1&5

#### *Refrain*

**Alleluia alleluia**

**Give thanks to the Risen  
Lord**

**Alleluia alleluia**

**Give praise to His Name**

#### *Verse 1*

**Jesus is Lord of all the  
earth He is the King of  
creation    *Refrain***

*Verse 5*

**Come let us praise the  
Living God**

**Joyfully sing to our  
Saviour    *Refrain***

***Gospel***

*Luke 10:1-11, 16-20*

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>1</sup> After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. <sup>2</sup> He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup> Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup> Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup> Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ <sup>6</sup> And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup> Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. <sup>8</sup> Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; <sup>9</sup> cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ <sup>10</sup> But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup> ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’”

<sup>16</sup> “Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

<sup>17</sup> The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” <sup>18</sup> He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. <sup>19</sup> See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. <sup>20</sup> Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

*(after the reading)*

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## ***Sermon***

## ***Hymn of the Day***

“My Country, 'Tis of Thee”

**LBW** #566

- 1 My country, 'tis of thee,  
sweet land of liberty,  
of thee I sing:  
land where my fathers died,  
land of the pilgrims' pride,  
from ev'ry mountainside  
let freedom ring.
- 2 My native country, thee,  
land of the noble free,  
thy name I love;  
I love thy rocks and rills,  
thy woods and templed hills;  
my heart with rapture thrills  
like that above.

3 Let music swell the breeze,  
and ring from all the trees  
sweet freedom's song;  
let mortal tongues awake;  
let all that breathe partake;  
let rocks their silence break,  
the sound prolong.

4 Our fathers' God, to thee,  
author of liberty,  
to thee we sing:  
long may our land be bright  
with freedom's holy light.  
Protect us by thy might,  
great God, our king.

### ***Apostles' 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: In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✝ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Merciful God,

**C: you free us to love others,  
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.  
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,  
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.  
You surround us with patience, kindness,  
and generosity,  
but we grow weary in doing what is right.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
Do not give up on us.  
Heal us, break our bonds,  
and show us the path of life. Amen.**

P: You belong to Christ Jesus  
and you are God's children through faith.  
In the cross of ✝ Christ,

and through the power of the Holy Spirit,  
your sins are forgiven.  
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.  
**C: Amen.**

### ***Prayers of Intercession***

A: Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

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

You send your church into the world with a message of peace. Center the whole church in this peace, and strengthen our faith by the example of (*Jan Hus and*) all those who creatively and faithfully proclaim your good news. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

All the earth sings out your name. Inspire your people to drink deeply from the beauty of (*local natural beauty and*) all your creation. When ecosystems are wounded, bring your healing. When our actions endanger the survival of other species, curb our greed and waste. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

You call us to work for the good of all. Give resolve to those who lead, that they do not grow weary in doing what is right. Guide them to seek peace between nations and freedom for all people. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

As a mother comforts her child, so you comfort us. Bring this comfort to those in any pain (*especially*). Carry your people when grief is heavy, and lift burdens of shame and self-doubt. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Your harvest is plentiful, O God. Make us laborers and companions with one another in this assembly. Send your peace to rest upon us, heal divisions among us, and open our hearts to receive one another as gifts from you. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

You have written our names in heaven, O God, and we rejoice. We thank you for those who have lived and died in your love. Accompany us on our life's journey and draw us at last to life forever in you. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

### ***Passing of the Peace***

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

**C:** And also with you.

### ***The Offering***

**"We Give Thee but Thine Own"      ELW #686 vs 1&2**

**1 We give thee but thine  
own,  
whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine  
alone,  
a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

**2 May we thy bounties thus  
as stewards true receive,  
and gladly, as thou blessest  
us,  
to thee our first fruits give.**

### ***Offering Prayer***

A: Creator God,

**C: in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful.**

**Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

## MEAL

### ***Words of Institution***

#### ***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**

### ***Invitation to Communion***

P: The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

### ***Communion***

"This Is My Song"

ELW #887

1 This is my song, O God of all the nations,  
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.

This is my home, the country where my heart is;  
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;

but other hearts in other lands are beating  
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

2 My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,  
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.  
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,  
and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine.  
So hear my song, O God of all the nations,  
a song of peace for their land and for mine.

3 This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms,  
your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.  
O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you,  
and hearts united learn to live as one.  
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations;  
myself I give you; let your will be done.

## **SENDING**

### ***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

### ***Canticle***

WOV p.40

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 After Communion***

P: Mothering God,

**C: you gathered us to your table  
and we drank deeply of your grace.**

**Send us out by your Spirit  
to love our neighbors as ourselves  
and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.  
Amen.**

## ***Announcements***

### ***Blessing***

P: The love of God abound in you;  
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;  
and the life of the Spirit

✠ bless you and give you peace.

**C: Amen**

### ***Sending Song***

“Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory”

ELW #890

- 1 Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;  
he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are  
stored;  
he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword:  
his truth is marching on.

### ***Refrain***

Glory, glory! Hallelujah!  
Glory, glory! Hallelujah!  
Glory, glory! Hallelujah!  
His truth is marching on.

2 He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;  
he is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat.  
Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet!  
Our God is marching on. *Refrain*

3 In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,  
with a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me.  
As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,  
while God is marching on. *Refrain*

### ***Dismissal***

A: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### ***Postlude***

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