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Worship, News & Notes

May 16, 2021

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to welcome and unite God's people to nurture faith through the Gospel, and provide opportunities and commitment to serve Christ through our Ministry within the congregation and the community.

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THANK YOU

**Thank you to the many servants who have worked and volunteered to make
this service possible.**



Today's Readers 8:30 – Patti Larzelere 11:00 – Kaitlin Garvey

Psalm for the Day – Psalm 1

Prayer Request Cards

are available through the Elder as you enter the sanctuary

NOT ONLINE? NOT A PROBLEM!-Sunday Mornings an LCMS worship service is broadcast on the following channels. Check listings for exact times.

Comcast—channel 399 Direct TV—channel 37 Over-the-air Digital Channel—18.4

Communion Policy Statement

St. Paul writes, "**Let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of this bread and drink of this cup.**" The Sacrament of Holy Communion is for those who have been instructed in the Christian faith and have a proper understanding of the meaning of Holy Communion as taught at Faith Lutheran, a member congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. We believe that in this Sacrament Jesus gives His real body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, and in receiving this gift we promise to love God and others. A great way to prepare for the Supper is by reviewing Martin Luther's "Christian Questions with Their Answers" on pp. 329ff in the hymnal. If you have not been instructed in this understanding of Holy Communion, please consult with the pastor before communing. **All children and adults who have not yet been instructed are welcome to come to the altar for a blessing, simply crossing their arms on their chest.** Gluten-free wafers and nonalcoholic wine are also available. Please contact an elder if you have further questions.

Call to Worship - Announcements - Sharing of the Peace

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

First Reading: Acts 1:12–26

¹²Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶"Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ¹⁸(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"May his camp become desolate,
and let there be no one to dwell in it";

and

"Let another take his office."

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, "You, Lord,

who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1

A ¹Blessèd is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,

C nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

A ²but his delight is in the law of the LORD,

C and on his law he meditates day and night.

A ³He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither.

C In all that he does, he prospers.

A ⁴The wicked are not so,

C but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

A ⁵Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,

C nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

A ⁶for the LORD knows the way of the righteous,

C but the way of the wicked will perish.

Epistle: 1 John 5:9–15

⁹If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. ¹⁰Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. ¹⁵And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G clef, common time, and a key signature of one sharp. The first staff contains three lines of text: "C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." The second staff contains the text "C These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that". The third staff contains the text "Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God." The fourth staff contains three lines of text: "C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia."

Holy Gospel: John 17:11b–19

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] "Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.¹² While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³ But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴ I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵ I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth."

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

**C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.**

**And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.**

**And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life \ddagger of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

773 Hear Us, Father, When We Pray

1 Hear us, Fa - ther, when we pray, Through Your Son and
2 When we know not what to say And our wound - ed
3 Je - sus, ad - vo - cate on high, Sac - ri - ficed on
4 By Your Spir - it now at - tend To our prayers and

in Your Spir - it. By Your Spir - it's Word con - ve y
souls are plead - ing, May Your Spir - it, night and day,
Cal - v'ry's al - tar, Through Your priest - ly blood we cry:
sup - pli - ca - tions, As like in - cense they as - cend

All that we through Christ in - her - it,
Groan with - in us in - ter - ced - ing;
Hear our prayers, though they may fal - ter;
To Your heav'n - ly hab - i - ta - tions.

That as bap - tized heirs we may Tru - ly pray.
By His sighs, too deep for words, We are heard.
Place them on Your Fa - ther's throne As Your own.
May their fra - grance waft a - bove, God of love.

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Sermon

The offerings are collected at the entryway table as you come in.

Giving is an act of worship that evidences our love for the Lord.

"Your prayers and gifts to the poor have come up
as a memorial offering before God" (Acts 10:4).

Stand

Offertory

C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- 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 Him thanks and praise.**
- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major, common time. The lyrics are integrated with the music, appearing below each staff. The first staff begins with a bass note followed by a series of eighth notes. The second staff starts with a bass note and continues with eighth notes. The third staff begins with a bass note and continues with eighth notes. The fourth staff begins with a bass note and continues with eighth notes.

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho- san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

Having revealed Your glory in the face of Your only-begotten Son, who suffered, died, and rose for our salvation, You have exalted Him to the highest majesty at Your right hand, that He might graciously fill all things.

Grant us faithfully to eat and drink this Holy Supper, trusting our reigning Savior Jesus, who, though unseen in His ascended glory, is here present to save by His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

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 Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

Distribution



617 O Lord, We Praise Thee

1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a - dore Thee,
2 Thy ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en,
3 May God be - stow on us His grace and fa - vor

In thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore Thee. Thou with Thy
Life to win for us in heav - en. No great - er
That we fol - low Christ our Sav - ior And live to -

bod - y and Thy blood didst nour - ish Our weak souls that
love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast there -
geth - er here in love and u - nion Nor de - spise this

they may flour - ish: O Lord, have mer - cy!
of re - mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy!
blest Com - mu - nion! O Lord, have mer - cy!

May Thy bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, That our
Lord, Thy kind - ness did so con - strain Thee That Thy
Let not Thy good Spir - it for - sake us; Grant that

sins and sor - rows did car - ry, And Thy blood for us plead
blood should bless and sus - tain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;
heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see

In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!
Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer - cy!
Days of peace and u - ni - ty: O Lord, have mer - cy!

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Stand

Nunc Dimittis

The musical notation consists of six staves of music. The first staff begins with a forte dynamic. The lyrics for the first two staves are: "C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant De - 2 All glo - ry to the the ser - vant ther, All". The second staff continues with "part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the the glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the the". The third staff continues with "glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace: Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;". The fourth staff continues with "A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un - For as in the be - gin - ning, Is". The fifth staff continues with "to now, Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -". The sixth staff concludes with "peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el. sound - ing Through all e - ter - mi - ty."

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and  give you peace.

C Amen.

493 A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

sts. 1, 5–6



1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New
5 Be now our joy on earth, O Lord, And
△ 6 O ris - en Christ, as - cend - ed Lord, All

hymns through - out the world shall ring: Al - le - lu - ia,
be our fu - ture great re - ward. Al - le - lu - ia,
praise to You let earth ac - cord: Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -
al - le - lu - ia! Then, throned with You for - ev - er,
al - le - lu - ia! You are, while end - less a - ges

trod, As - cends un - to the throne of -
we Shall praise Your name e - ter - nal -
run, With Fa - ther and with Spir - it

God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
ly. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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NEXT SUNDAY Pastor Reusch will be leading us in worship as Pastor Moyer will be out of town.

Summer Sunday School will begin **June 6** between services. ALL age groups are welcome to join in.



Stephen Ministry - An analogy of the past 12 weeks of the church year can be made to the affect Stephen Ministry has on Care Receivers. Lent reminds us of our sinful nature, just as a Care Receiver is weighed down by extreme burden of loss or hopelessness. Connected to a Stephen Minister the Care Receiver begins to share their burdens with a caregiver who is only there to listen - just as Jesus prayed so often to the Father, knowing he would listen. Jesus asked for God's help, knowing the results would be in accordance with his will. Care Receivers begin to understand that their burden will be relieved in accordance with God's Will.

Jesus dies, then rises and evil is conquered. Then Ascension. Before Jesus is taken into heaven, he "... opened their minds to understand the scriptures" and promised them "power from on high" would be given to them in the form of the Holy Spirit (**Luke 24:45, 49**).

The healing that takes place in the life of a Care Receiver comes through the Holy Spirit, the promised one. The care receiver gets the support they need to re-affirm in them self that God's Will be done, All Glory to God.

Are You Graduating This Year? - If you are graduating from high school or college this year, please email me a picture of yourself. Also, let me know which school you are graduating from and what your future plans are. I'd like to put this info in the June newsletter. My office email is: office@faithhighland.com. The deadline to receive this information is **Sunday, May 23**. Thank you—Linda Brown



The Drama Department of Lutheran Northwest presents YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN. Charles Schulz's beloved characters come to life in this wonderfully entertaining musical by Clark Gesner. These **live streamed** performances will take place on Friday and Saturday, May 21-22, at 7PM and Sunday, May 23, at 2PM. To view any of the performances, please purchase a live stream pass for \$12.50 through Book Tix at <http://lhsn.booktix.com/>. For additional information, please visit our website at www.luthnorthwest.com/news. Enjoy the show!

We appreciate your patience as we all adapt to these current circumstances.

For the latest updates with regards to Faith Lutheran Church visit

<http://www.faithhighland.com/covid-19>

ON-LINE RESOURCES—Over the past few months we've been sharing online resources in the bulletin for you to use with your household while sheltering at home. Those resources remain available at <http://www.faithhighland.com/athome>

For livestreaming and recorded services visit

<https://www.faithhighland.com/home-worship> or subscribe to **Faith's YouTube channel**

During communion we do have available non-alcoholic Sacrament (white grape juice) in center of tray.
Large Print Services are available. Ask Elder on duty.

THIS WEEK AT FAITH

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| Sunday | Sunday School, Confirmation & Adult Bible Study Elder's Meeting | 9:45am 12:00pm |
| Tuesday | AA AA & ALANON | 12:00pm 8:00pm |
| Wednesday | Women's Bible Study | 9:30am |
| Thursday | Boy Scouts | 6:45pm |
| Saturday | Men's B-n-B | 11:00am |

Please Remember in Your Prayers—Larry & Connie House, Jean Donley, Lori Flores, Dolores Arndt, Steve Hargis, Doris Maxwell, Vince Rhodes, Mike Genson, John Dickson, Virginia McDonnell, Megan Mars & Larry Adler.



As well as our family, friends & neighbors—John Carlton, Vic Quigley, Kevin & Amanda Burger, Cynthia Turner, Stephanie Edmonds, John Koke, Marvin Petsch, Madeline McGrath, Laurie Karaska, Tim Nolan, Rev. Rich Tino, Gregg Steigerwalt, Margie Erfourth, Doug Storts, Trevor Young, Mike Kramb, Erik Currado (nephew of Guy & Diane York – in need of liver transplant), John Allmacher (awaiting heart valve replacement), Aleen (step-mother of Shannon Shaw – cancer), Linda Klein (friend of Youngquist's – cancer testing), Pat Hanish (wife of Dan Brown's friend – lung cancer, not being treated because of her age), Brent Brown (co-worker of Dan Brown – hospitalized in serious condition with Covid – 34 years old), Marilyn Pleiness (friend of Patti Larzelere – breast cancer), Jackie, George (brother of Phyllis Acree – cancer) & MaryAnn (mother of Megan Mars – mini strokes).

Birthdays

19 Max Lay
20 Sydney Thompson



The Noisy Offering will be collected next Sunday. You may place your donations to Community Sharing in the bread plans on the table as you enter or exit. Thanks so much!

| | <u>Thru March</u> | <u>April</u> | <u>YTD</u> |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Offerings | \$65,207.25 | \$25,774.75 | \$90,982.00 |
| Expenses | \$59,037.35 | \$18,665.21 | \$77,702.56 |
| Surplus/Deficit (-) | \$ 6,169.90 | \$ 7,109.54 | \$13,279.44 |
| Budgeted Offerings/Exps. | \$69,063.00 | \$23,021.00 | \$92,084.00 |
| | <u>Offerings</u> | <u>Expenses</u> | <u>Difference</u> |
| Last Sunday | \$ 3,807.00 | \$ 5,230.00 | (-\$ 1,423.00) |

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