

# faith

*Worship, News & Notes*

*August 22, 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 – Kathy VanGordon      11:00 – May Lay

## **Psalm for the Day – Psalm 14**

# 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**

*You are encouraged to greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).*

*Stand*

### **395 O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright (sts. 1–4)**

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

- P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\ddagger$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** **Amen.**
- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** **who made heaven and earth.**  
**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\ddagger$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

# Service of the Word

## Introit: Psalm 26:1–2, 6–7; antiphon: v. 8

**P** O LORD, I love the habitation of your house

**C** and the place where your glory dwells.

**P** Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity,

**C** and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

**P** Prove me, O LORD, and try me;

**C** test my heart and my mind.

**P** I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD,

**C** proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all your wondrous deeds.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**P** O LORD, I love the habitation of your house

**C** and the place where your glory dwells.

## Kyrie

**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Gloria in Excelsis

**P** Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward  
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

### **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, defend Your Church from all false teaching and error that Your faithful people may confess You to be the only true God and

rejoice in Your good gifts of life and salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Sit*

### **Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 29:11-19**

<sup>11</sup>The vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot, for it is sealed." <sup>12</sup>And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot read."

<sup>13</sup>And the Lord said:

"Because this people draw near with their mouth  
and honor me with their lips,  
while their hearts are far from me,  
and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men,

<sup>14</sup>therefore, behold, I will again  
do wonderful things with this people,  
with wonder upon wonder;  
and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish,  
and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden."

<sup>15</sup>Ah, you who hide deep from the LORD your counsel,  
whose deeds are in the dark,  
and who say, "Who sees us? Who knows us?"

<sup>16</sup>You turn things upside down!  
Shall the potter be regarded as the clay,  
that the thing made should say of its maker,  
"He did not make me";  
or the thing formed say of him who formed it,  
"He has no understanding"?

<sup>17</sup>Is it not yet a very little while  
until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field,  
and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?

<sup>18</sup>In that day the deaf shall hear  
the words of a book,

and out of their gloom and darkness  
the eyes of the blind shall see.

<sup>19</sup>The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD,  
and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 14

**A** <sup>1</sup>The fool says in his heart, "There is no God."

**C** **They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds,**  
**there is none who does good.**

**A** <sup>2</sup>The LORD looks down from heaven on the children of man,

**C** **to see if there are any who understand,**  
**who seek after God.**

**A** <sup>3</sup>They have all turned aside; together they have become corrupt;

**C** **there is none who does good, not even one.**

**A** <sup>4</sup>Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers

**C** **who eat up my people as they eat bread**  
**and do not call upon the LORD?**

**A** <sup>5</sup>There they are in great terror,

**C** **for God is with the generation of the righteous.**

**A** <sup>6</sup>You would shame the plans of the poor,

**C** **but the LORD is his refuge.**

**A** <sup>7</sup>Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion!

**C** **When the LORD restores the fortunes of his people,**  
**let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.**

## Epistle: Ephesians 5:22–33

<sup>22</sup>Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. <sup>23</sup>For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. <sup>24</sup>Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

<sup>25</sup>Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup>that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, <sup>27</sup>so that he might present the church to himself in splendor,

without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.<sup>28</sup>In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.<sup>29</sup>For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church,<sup>30</sup>because we are members of his body.<sup>31</sup>"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh."<sup>32</sup>This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.<sup>33</sup>However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

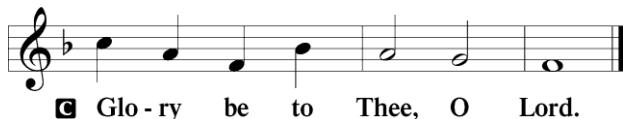
*Stand*

**Alleluia**



**Holy Gospel: Mark 7:1–13**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.



<sup>1</sup>When the Pharisees gathered to [Jesus], with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem,<sup>2</sup>they saw that some of his disciples ate with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed.<sup>3</sup>(For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands, holding to the tradition of the elders,<sup>4</sup>and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.)<sup>5</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?"<sup>6</sup>And he said to them, "Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written,

"This people honors me with their lips,  
but their heart is far from me;

<sup>7</sup>in vain do they worship me,  
teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.'

<sup>8</sup>You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men."

<sup>9</sup>And he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! <sup>10</sup>For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother'; and, 'Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.' <sup>11</sup>But you say, 'If a man tells his father or his mother, Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban' (that is, given to God)— <sup>12</sup>then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, <sup>13</sup>thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



### 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*

### **589 Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens**

#### **Sermon**

#### **Offering**

When we give, we are to do so in secret.  
"But when you give to the needy,  
do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing,  
so that your giving may be in secret.  
Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret,  
will reward you" (Matt. 6:3-4).

*Stand*

#### **Offertory**

The musical notation consists of two staves of music in G clef, common time, and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are integrated into the music:

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 with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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**

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,  
bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

## **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 A - men.

## Agnus Dei

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*Sit*

## Distribution

**24 (White Song Book) Just a Closer Walk with Thee**

**73 (White Song Book) Have Thine Own Way, Lord**

*Stand*

## Nunc Dimittis

C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-

cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
 a light to light-en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
 peo-ple Is - ra-el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
 to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A-men.

### Thanksgiving

**P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**P** 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** A - men.

## Salutation and Benedicamus

**P** The Lord be with you.

Musical notation for the response 'The Lord be with you.' It consists of a single measure in G major, common time. The melody starts with a quarter note, followed by three eighth notes, and ends with a half note. The lyrics 'The Lord be with you' are written below the notes.

**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Bless we the Lord.

Musical notation for the response 'Bless we the Lord.' It consists of a single measure in G major, common time. The melody starts with a quarter note, followed by three eighth notes, and ends with a half note. The lyrics 'Bless we the Lord' are written below the notes.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

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

Musical notation for the benediction. It consists of a single measure in G major, common time. The melody starts with a quarter note, followed by three eighth notes, and ends with a half note. The lyrics 'A-men, a-men, a - men.' are written below the notes.

**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

## 865 Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain

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**Newsletter Deadline TODAY** – If you have anything you would like in the September newsletter, please send me an email at [office@faithhighland.com](mailto:office@faithhighland.com) or leave a note in my “secretary” box here at church. Thanks, Linda

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

Sunday	Summer Sunday School for ALL Ages Joint Service at Christ-Milford	9:45am 4:00pm
Tuesday	AA AA & ALANON	12:00pm 8:00pm
Wednesday	Women's Bible Study	9:30am



**Please Remember in Your Prayers**—Larry & Connie House, Jean Donley, Lori Flores, Dolores Arndt, Steve Hargis, Doris Maxwell, Vince Rhodes, John Dickson, Virginia McDonnell, Megan Mars, Mike Stanley, Sandy Searcy & John Zabik (hospitalized).

**As well as our family, friends & neighbors**—John Carlton, Vic Quigley, Kevin & Amanda Burger, Cynthia Turner, Marvin Petsch, Madeline McGrath, Laurie Karaska, Tim Nolan, Rev. Rich Tino, Gregg Steigerwalt, Margie Erfourth, Doug Storts, Trevor Young, Erik Currado, John Allmacher, Linda Klein, Pat Hanish, Marilyn Pleiness, Rev. Jon Reusch, Krista Valko, Rick Prueter, Jan Oleszczak, Julie Campbell, Mike Kethman, David Doe, Lisa Grunwald (daughter-in-law of Carl & Carolyn – brain surgery), Sue Moore (neighbor & friend of Janet Kramb – hospice), Aleen, Jackie, George, MaryAnn & Harley.

### Birthdays

22 Pauline Baker	25 Shannon Shaw
22 Donner Goers	26 Deana VanCura

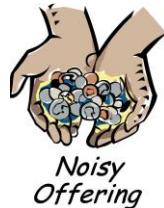


	<u>Thru June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Offerings	\$127,614.10	\$16,340.00	\$143,954.10
Expenses	\$128,565.16	\$18,977.94	\$147,543.10
Surplus/Deficit (-)	(-\$ 951.06)	(-\$ 2,637.94)	(-\$ 3,589.00)
Budgeted Offerings/Exps.	\$115,105.00	\$23,021.00	\$138,126.00
	<u>Offerings</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Last Sunday	\$ 2,105.00	\$ 5,230.00	(-\$ 3,125.00)

Want to contribute electronically? Visit [faithhighland.com/give](http://faithhighland.com/give) to get started.



**Summer Sunday School** continues today between services in the fellow-ship hall. ALL age groups are welcome to join in.



**Noisy Offering TODAY** – Please place your donations in the bread pans as they are passed through the pews. These gifts are used to purchase food for those in need at Community Sharing. Your gifts are very much appreciated!



### **Stephen Ministry**

Just as we serve God daily by applying the stewardship principles of time and talents in our vocation and daily living, so too our congregation practices stewardship to serve God. Through boards, committees and social events, missions of Faith Highland serve God by serving his people. Who benefits by this service through our Stephen Ministry program? Those receiving care from Stephen Ministers benefit because they receive prayer and support throughout the crisis they face. Stephen Ministers benefit through the spiritual growth they experience through this ministry. Pastor Moyer and the Board of Elders benefit because caring ministry at Faith is provided to hurting members who need regular and routine visitation. You the members benefit from the knowledge that special care is available should you need it and you have a group to whom you can refer a relative, friend or neighbor that is going through a difficult time. Stephen Ministry makes Faith Lutheran a much more caring place.

We should include in our daily prayers thanks that we have the opportunity to serve, whether directly or indirectly through the missions of our congregation. Include also petitions for our Stephen Ministry Program at Faith and for those who are contemplating becoming a Stephen Minister. Are you contemplating Stephen Ministry for you? Contact Pastor Moyer or Guy York. The next training class is starting soon.

Faith Lutheran Church

Join us for Sunday School

this fall!

Sunday 9:45-10:45 a.m.

Pre-K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Confirmation Class

(6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)

Youth Bible Study  
(9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)

Adult Bible Study



Starting Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>

Listen & Learn about  
Our Faith & Our Lord.

Service of

# Praise and Thanksgiving

FOR GOD'S MERCIFUL CARE THROUGHOUT THE PANDEMIC

A joint service of the congregations of the  
Kensington Circuit, Michigan District, LCMS

### Location

Christ Lutheran Church  
620 General Motors Rd., Milford

- OR -

watch online at

<https://www.facebook.com/ChristLutheranMilford>

**TODAY!**

4pm, with reception following



A free will offering will be collected for Wellspring Lutheran Services

Service will be held outside, please bring camp chairs  
or a picnic blanket for seating

*He turns our mourning into dancing* - Psalm 30:11