

# The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 13, 2023



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#### § A Heartfelt Welcome To Our Guests §

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church (FELC). We're pleased you've come to receive the blessings our Lord gives in the Divine Service. Please help us get to know you and record your attendance by signing the red record of fellowship book as it is passed down the pew and/or the guest book in the narthex. Most Sundays we host refreshments after the service. Please join us downstairs in the Parish Fellowship. This is a great way to get to know the members of the family of FELC.

#### Holy Communion Announcement

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Faith in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased.

*How Can We Help You?* We want your visit to be a blessing to you and strive to be as user friendly as possible. Our pastor is also available for pastoral care whether you're here for a week, months, years, or permanently. Faith is a member of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

## Those Serving August 13th at Faith

Organist	Heidi Perling
Acolyte	
Altar Guild	Lee Phinney
Ushers	Craig Sachau, Steve Anderson
	Dave Matthews, Fred Brady

Asst. Minister	Dennis Engstrom
Greeters	Susan Rostad
Refreshments	
Sermon Title	Reading the Old Testament

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# Confession and Absolution

Please rise.

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 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- 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,
- 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,
- 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 + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

# Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 34:4-8; antiphon: v. 1



I will bless the LORD at | all times;\*

his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

I sought the LORD, and he | answered me\* and delivered me from | all my fears.

Those who look to him are | radiant,\*

and their faces shall never | be ashamed.

and their races shall never be ashamed.

This poor man cried, and the LORD | heard him\* and saved him out of all his | troubles.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear him,\* and de- | livers them.

Oh, taste and see that the | LORD is good!\*

Blessèd is the man who takes ref- | uge in him!

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

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

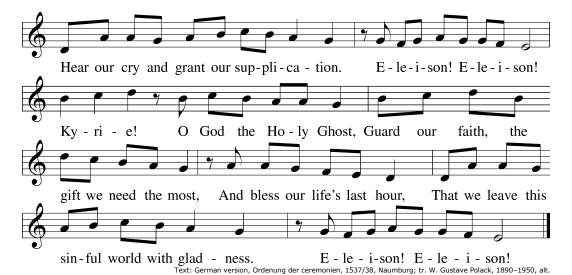
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

I will bless the LORD at | all times;\*

his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

## 942 Kyrie! God, Father





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#### 948 All Glory Be to God Alone



- 4 You take the whole world's sin away;
  Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
  You take the whole world's sin away;
  O Lord, receive our prayer this day.
  From God's right hand Your mercy send,
  To all the world Your grace extend.
- 5 You only are the Holy One
  And over all are Lord alone.
  O Jesus Christ, we glorify
  You and the Spirit, Lord Most High;
  With Him You evermore shall be
  One in the Father's majesty.

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#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Please be seated.

#### **Old Testament Reading**

Job 38:4-18

A The Old Testament Reading for the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost is from Job, chapter 38.

<sup>4</sup>[The Lord said to Job:] "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding.

<sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

<sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone.

<sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

8"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb.

<sup>9</sup>when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band,

<sup>10</sup>and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors.

<sup>11</sup>and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed'?

<sup>12</sup>"Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place,

<sup>13</sup>that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it?

- <sup>14</sup>It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment.
- <sup>15</sup>From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken.
- <sup>16</sup> Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep?
- <sup>17</sup>Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?
- <sup>18</sup>Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this."
- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### **Psalm**



Antiphon The LORD lives, and blessèd | be my rock,\* and exalted be the God of my sal- | vation

<sup>1</sup>I | love you,\*

O | LORD, my strength.

<sup>2</sup>The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my de- | liverer,\* my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my | stronghold.

<sup>3</sup>I call upon the LORD, who is worthy | to be praised,\* and I am saved from my | enemies.

<sup>4</sup>The cords of death en- | compassed me;\* the torrents of destruction as- | sailed me;

5the cords of Sheol en- | tangled me;\*

the snares of death con- | fronted me.

<sup>6</sup>In my distress I called upon the LORD; to my God I | cried for help.\* From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry to him | reached his ears.

Antiphon The LORD lives, and blessèd | be my rock,\* and exalted be the God of my sal- | vation

Epistle Romans 10:5–17

A The Epistle is from Romans, chapter 10.

<sup>5</sup>Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. <sup>6</sup>But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup>or "'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup>But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup>because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

<sup>14</sup>But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" <sup>16</sup>But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" <sup>17</sup>So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

## 977 I Will Sing My Maker's Praises





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Please rise.

Holy Gospel Matthew 14:22–33

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

## Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>22</sup>Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup>And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

<sup>28</sup>And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup>He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." <sup>31</sup>Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup>And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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

#### 954 We All Believe in One True God





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Please be seated.

#### Sermon

Please rise.

## Prayer of the Church

- **P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A In thanksgiving for our bodies and souls, gifts of our glorious Creator, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

- A In lament for our sin, for death in this world and for the creation now subject to futility, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A In faith, for the forgiveness that Christ has won by His blood and for the new life of righteousness that comes from His grace, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For the people of God, in whose hearts His Word dwells, that they may have courage to confess Christ before the world, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For all pastors, church planters and congregations, that they might receive hope, renewal and endurance from God; and that fear would never keep us from the Word and Sacraments, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For trust in the Lord, that we may have confidence in all He has promised to bestow on us each day, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For preservation from all doubt and fear, that like Peter, we might be kept in the grasp of God's grace, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For those in need, especially those listed in our bulletin, that their hearts would not waver from Christ, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For all who come to the Lord's table, that we would be united in confession even as we are one at His table, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P Gracious Lord, give ear to the prayers of Your people and lead us to trust in Your mercy without fear, that we may be confident that You will grant to us all things needful to us and our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Please be seated.

## Offering

# Service of the Sacrament

Please rise.

#### **Preface**

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

- **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.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to 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. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

## 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.

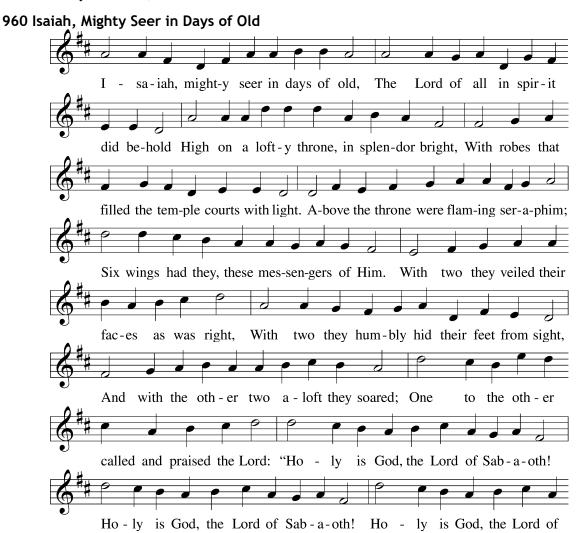
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

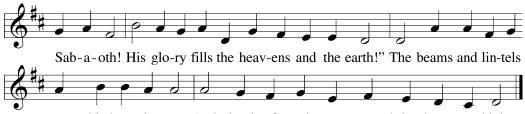
In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My 

→ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



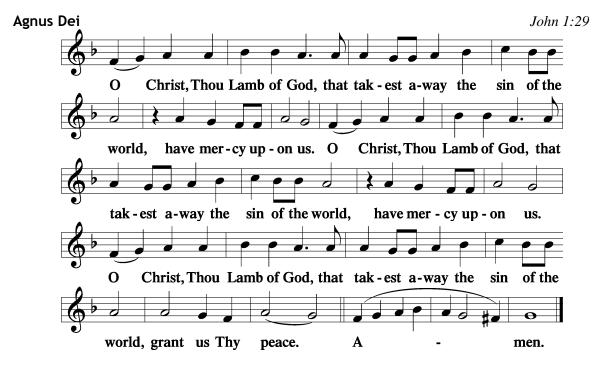


trem-bled at the cry, And clouds of smoke en-wrapped the throne on high.

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#### Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



Please be seated.

Communing at Faith

Please see our Communion Statement on page 2.

Distribution

*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:* 

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart 

  → in peace.
- C Amen.

819 Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good



#### 717 Eternal Father, Strong to Save



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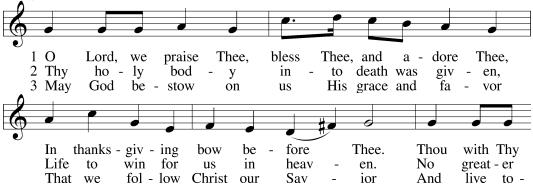
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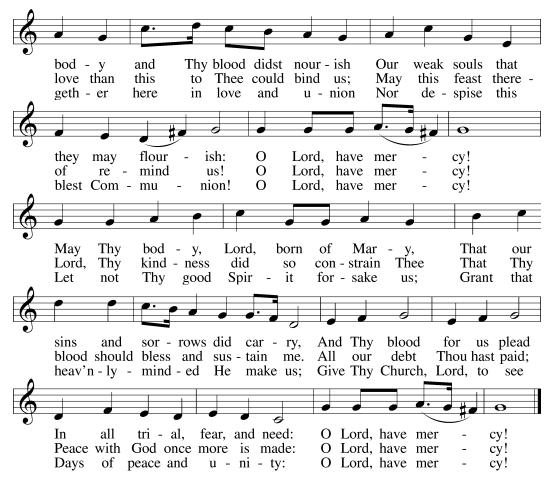
#### 979 God, Whose Almighty Word



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#### Post-Communion Collect

- 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 Psalm 103:1

- A Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### **Benediction**

- 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.

## 792 New Songs of Celebration Render



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