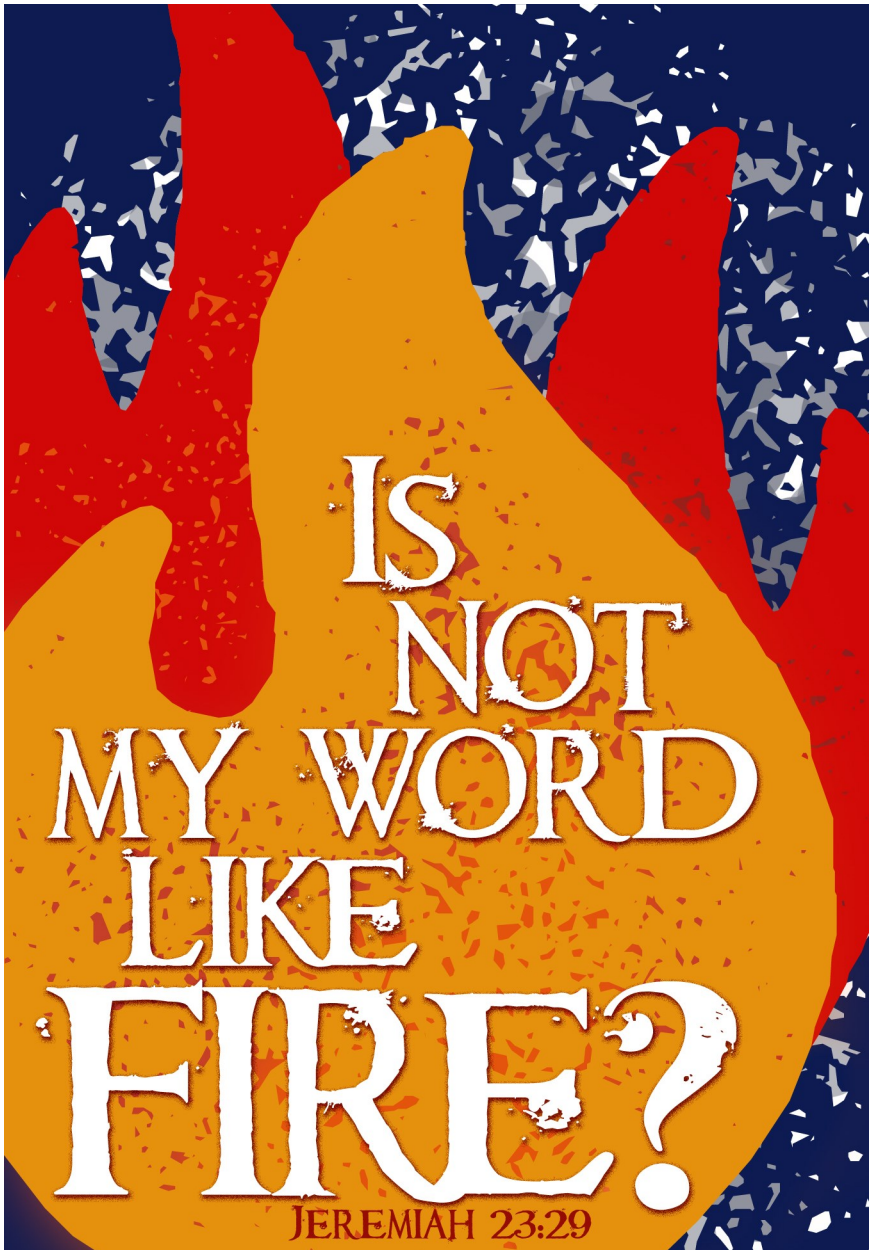


# Faith Lutheran Church



August 17, 2025

# **WELCOME**

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

Please sign the guest register in the entry  
as you leave the church today.

## **TODAY'S SERVICE**

August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Liturgy: Common Service**

**Speaker:** Pastor Matthew Ude

**Organist:** Lila Brown

# PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

## *Psalms 119:81-88*

<sup>81</sup> KAPH. My soul faints for Your salvation, But I hope in Your word. <sup>82</sup> My eyes fail *from searching* Your word, Saying, "When will You comfort me?" <sup>83</sup> For I have become like a wineskin in smoke, Yet I do not forget Your statutes. <sup>84</sup> How many *are* the days of Your servant? When will You execute judgment on those who persecute me? <sup>85</sup> The proud have dug pits for me, Which is not according to Your law. <sup>86</sup> All Your commandments *are* faithful; They persecute me wrongfully; Help me! <sup>87</sup> They almost made an end of me on earth, But I did not forsake Your precepts. <sup>88</sup> Revive me according to Your lovingkindness, So that I may keep the testimony of Your mouth.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## #239 Come, Thou Almighty King

### INVOCATION

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



### CONFESSION OF SINS

p Beloved of God: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

all Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my

thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. for this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



p God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



p In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Glory be to God on high,  
and on earth peace, good will toward men,  
We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you,  
we glorify you, we give thanks to you, for your great glory  
O Lord God, heav'nly King God the Father al - mighty,  
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.



You take away the sin of the world; re-cieve our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father;



have mercy on us, For you only are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord.



You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,



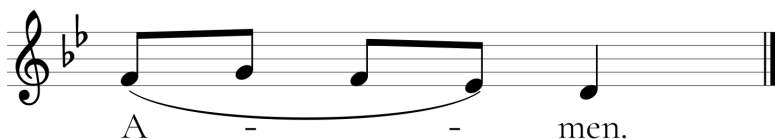
are most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

p The Lord be with you.



And al - so with you.

p Let us pray . . . Merciful Lord, cleanse and defend Your Church by the sacrifice of Christ. United with Him in Holy Baptism, give us grace to receive with thanksgiving the fruits of His redeeming work and daily follow in His way; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## THE WORD

**Jeremiah 23:16-29** <sup>16</sup> Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you. They make you worthless; They speak a vision of their own heart, Not from the mouth of the LORD. <sup>17</sup> They continually say to those who despise Me, 'The LORD has said, "You shall have peace "'; And to everyone who walks according to the dictates of his own heart, they say, 'No evil shall come upon you.'" <sup>18</sup> For who has stood in the counsel of the LORD, And has perceived and heard His



word? Who has marked His word and heard *it*? <sup>19</sup> Behold, a whirlwind of the LORD has gone forth in fury-- A violent whirlwind! It will fall violently on the head of the wicked. <sup>20</sup> The anger of the LORD will not turn back Until He has executed and performed the thoughts of His heart. In the latter days you will understand it perfectly. <sup>21</sup> "I have not sent these prophets, yet they ran. I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied. <sup>22</sup> But if they had stood in My counsel, And had caused My people to hear My words, Then they would have turned them from their evil way And from the evil of their doings. <sup>23</sup> "Am I a God near at hand," says the LORD, "And not a God afar off? <sup>24</sup> Can anyone hide himself in secret places, So I shall not see him?" says the LORD; "Do I not fill heaven and earth?" says the LORD. <sup>25</sup> "I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in My name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' <sup>26</sup> "How long will *this* be in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies? Indeed *they are* prophets of the deceit of their own heart, <sup>27</sup> "who try to make My people forget My name by their dreams which everyone tells his neighbor, as their fathers forgot My name for Baal. <sup>28</sup> "The prophet who has a dream, let him tell a dream; And he who has My word, let him speak My

word faithfully. What is the chaff to the wheat?" says the LORD. <sup>29</sup> "Is not My word like a fire?" says the LORD, "And like a hammer *that* breaks the rock in pieces?

**Hebrews 11:32-12:3** <sup>32</sup> And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: <sup>33</sup> who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup> quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. <sup>35</sup> Women received their dead raised to life again. And others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. <sup>36</sup> Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup> They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented-- <sup>38</sup> of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, *in* dens and caves of the earth. <sup>39</sup> And all these, having obtained a

<sup>40</sup> God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us. <sup>NKJ</sup> **Hebrews**

**12:1** Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup> looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of *our* faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. <sup>3</sup> For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls.

p Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and  
keep it!



# THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

## #261 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word

## SERMON

**Luke 12:49-53** <sup>49</sup> "I came to send fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup> "But I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how distressed I am till it is accomplished! <sup>51</sup> "Do you suppose that I came to give peace on earth? I tell you, not at all, but rather division. <sup>52</sup> "For from now on five in one house will be divided: three against two, and two against three. <sup>53</sup> "Father will be divided against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law."

## SHARPER THINGS

We prefer a dull version of God's word but it was made to be sharp. It was made to cut away our excuses and reveal our need for Jesus. It's designed to divide what is true from what is not. It creates division so that it can bring true peace.

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

## #783 Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep

## Offering Hymn #442:2

Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee gladly, freely, of  
Thine own; With the sunshine of Thy goodness melt our  
thankless hearts of stone Till our cold and selfish natures,  
warmed by Thee, at length believe That more happy and  
more blessed 'Tis to give than to receive

## Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

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 BENEDICTION

p The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



## #50 Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing



## **SUNDAY, AUGUST 17**

9am Worship Service

## **MONDAY, AUGUST 18**

7 pm Worship Service

## **THURSDAY, AUGUST 21**

7 pm Quarterly Voters' Meeting

## **SUNDAY, AUGUST 24**

9 am Worship Service

## **MONDAY, AUGUST 25**

8 am School Opening Service

7 pm Worship Service

## **FRUITS OF FAITH**

General Fund- \$ 3262

Missions - \$ 105

Sunday Service – 66

Monday Service - 19

Building Fund - \$ 100

Organ Fund- \$ 100

## **USHERS FOR AUGUST**

Mike Dumke, Dan Thiem,  
Ryan Krueger, Andy Reyes

## **USHERS FOR MONDAY NIGHT**

Bob Kirst, Greg Jones,  
Dennis Jones, Lynn Dumke

## **COUNTER**

**This Week Team # 1**

Dale Muehlenhaupt,  
Fred Whitehouse

**Next Week Team # 2**

Jeff Jones, Dennis Jones

## **VOTERS MEETING**

The July quarterly voters meeting  
was rescheduled to 7pm on Thursday  
August 21, 2025

## **WOMEN'S RETREAT WEST**

September 19 - 21, 2025

Sioux Falls, SD

[WomensRetreat.clclutheran.net](http://WomensRetreat.clclutheran.net)

## **MANUP**

September 25-28 at Wyalusing  
More information on the bulletin  
board.

## WOMEN OF FAITH REBOOT

We are hoping to bring back the Women of Faith group and are seeking some input from our fellow sisters. Women of Faith has been a long-standing tradition at Faith Lutheran Church. In recent years the group has not been meeting but we are hoping to bring it back. The group has served the purpose of giving the women an opportunity to learn more about God's word, to support each other in faith, to fellowship, and to take care of some of the needs of the congregation. Your input would be appreciated. You can find a printed survey in the church hallway, or you can email Rebecca Lillo at [becaday@gmail.com](mailto:becaday@gmail.com) for a link to the online survey. Please submit your survey by next Sunday, August 17.

## MOWING

Signup sheet for mowing on the bulletin board.

## SCHOOL CLEANING

There are sign-up sheets by the church, hallways, each classroom, bathroom, kitchen and cafeteria. If you can clean, please mark off what you have done

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Isaiah 66:18–23  
Psalm 50:1–15  
Heb. 12:4–24  
Luke 13:22–30

## CALL NEWS

Mr. Peter Reim has returned the vacancy call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.

Pastor David Ude of Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI, has accepted the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church, Mountain View, CA.

Pastor Emeritus Dave Schierenbeck has received and accepted the call to serve as vacancy pastor of Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church, Red Wing, MN.

Pastor Matthew Hanel of St. Matthew Ev. Lutheran Church, Dallas, TX, has received the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.

## INSTALLATIONS

On Sunday, August 17, 2025 Immanuel Lutheran Church and School, Mankato, MN will install Mr. Rick Mariner as Principal, Mr. Michael Wheaton as Assistant Principal with a 1-year call, Mrs. Debra Mayhew as 1-2 Grade Teacher with a 1-year call, Pastor Emeritus Paul Nolting as a part-time Religion Teacher, Mr. Bob Heller as Teacher/Teacher's Aide, and Mrs. Jackie Friedrichs as Music Teacher.

## ANNIVERSARY

St. Stephen Lutheran Church, Mountain View, CA, will observe Pastor Mark Gullerud's 50th year since his ordination on August 17, 2025.

## DEDICATION

Mt. Zion Lutheran Church (Detroit, MI) will dedicate their new church property on Sunday, September 14, at 4:00pm.



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