AS THE

FATHER

HAS LOVED

ME, SO

HAVE I

LOVED

YOU. ABIDE

IN MY



JOHN 15:9,

Faith Lutheran Church Sunday May 9th 2021

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

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> **Speaker:** Pastor Matthew Ude

Musicians:

Mark and Greta Brown-Kempenaar

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 98

Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! For He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory. ² The LORD has made known His salvation; His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations. ³ He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness to the house of Israel: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. ⁴ Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth; Break forth in song, rejoice, and sing praises. ⁵ Sing to the LORD with the harp, With the harp and the sound of a psalm, ⁶ With trumpets and the sound of a horn; Shout joyfully before the LORD, the King. 7 Let the sea roar, and all its fullness, The world and those who dwell in it; ⁸ Let the rivers clap *their* hands; Let the hills be joyful together ⁹ before the LORD, For He is coming to judge the earth. With righteousness He shall judge the world, And the peoples with equity.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#387:1-5 "Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice"

by Martin Luther, 1483-1546 I. Dear Christians, one and all, rejoice, With exultation springing, And, with united heart and voice And holy rapture singing, Proclaim the wonders God hath done, How His right arm the victory won; Right dearly it hath cost Him.

2. Fast bound in Satan's chains I lay,
Death brooded darkly o'er me,
Sin was my torment night and day,
In sin my mother bore me;
Yea, deep and deeper still I fell,
Life had become a living hell,
So firmly sin possessed me.

 My own good works availed me naught, No merit they attaining;
 Free will against God's judgment fought, Dead to all good remaining.
 My fears increased till sheer despair
 Left naught but death to be my share;
 The pangs of hell I suffered.

4. But God beheld my wretched state
Before the world's foundation,
And, mindful of His mercies great,
He planned my soul's salvation.
A father's heart He turned to me,
Sought my redemption fervently:
He gave His dearest Treasure.

5. He spoke to His beloved Son:
'Tis time to have compassion.
Then go, bright Jewel of My crown,
And bring to man salvation;
From sin and sorrow set him free,
Slay bitter death for him that he
May live with Thee forever.

INVOCATION

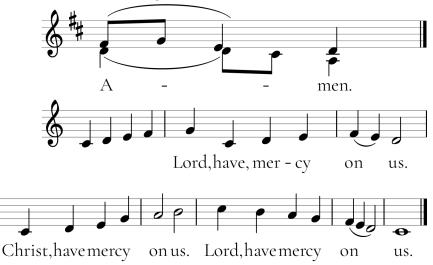
p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



- p We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- all Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth, In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

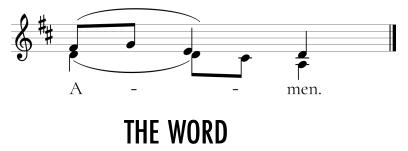
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God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins.
 By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord
 Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You
 are his own dear child. May God give you strength
 to live according to his will.





p Let us pray ... Oh God, the giver of all that is good,
by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think
those things that are right and by Your merciful
guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ,
Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen



Acts 10:34-48 ³⁴ Then Peter opened *his* mouth and said: "In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality. ³⁵ "But in every nation whoever fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him. ³⁶ "The word which *God* sent to the children of Israel, preaching peace through Jesus Christ--He is Lord of all-- ³⁷ "that word you know, which was proclaimed throughout all Judea, and began from Galilee after the baptism which John preached: ³⁸ "how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.³⁹ "And we are witnesses of all things which He did both in the land of the Jews and in Jerusalem, whom they killed by hanging on a tree. ⁴⁰ "Him God raised up on the third day, and showed Him openly, 41 "not to all the people, but to witnesses chosen before by God, even to us who ate and drank with Him after He arose from the dead. ⁴² "And He commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that it is He who was ordained by God to be Judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ "To Him all the prophets witness that, through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive remission of sins." ⁴⁴ While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word. ⁴⁵ And those of the circumcision who believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also. ⁴⁶ For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God. Then Peter answered, ⁴⁷ "Can anyone forbid water, that these should not be baptized who have received the Holy Spirit just as we *have*?" ⁴⁸ And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then they asked him to stay a few days.

I John 5:1-8 Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves Him who begot also loves him who is begotten of Him. ² By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments. ³ For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome. ⁴ For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world-- our faith. ⁵ Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? ⁶ This is He who came by water and blood-- Jesus Christ; not only by water, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who bears witness, because the Spirit is truth. ⁷ For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. ⁸ And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one.

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.

#457 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

by Joseph Scriven, 1820-1886 (MFH pg. 88)

I. What a Friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
Oh, what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!

2. Have we trials and temptations?Is there trouble anywhere?We should never be discouraged,Take it to the Lord in prayer.Can we find a Friend so faithfulWho will all our sorrows share?Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness--Take it to the Lord in prayer.

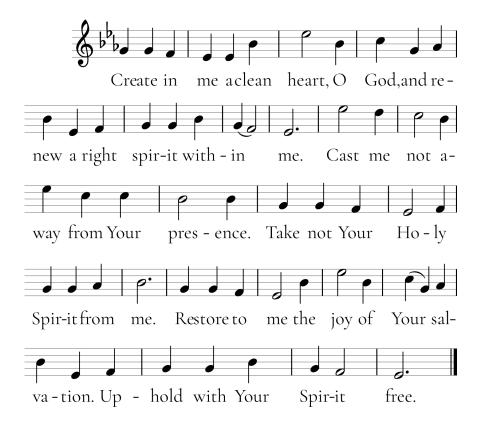
3. Are we weak and heavy laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our Refuge-Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer;
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.

SERMON

John 15:9-17 ⁹ "As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. ¹⁰ "If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love. ¹¹ "These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and *that* your joy may be full. ¹² "This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³ "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends. ¹⁴ "You are My friends if you do whatever I command you. ¹⁵ "No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶ "You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you. ¹⁷ "These things I command you, that you love one another.

CHOSEN TO BEAR FRUIT

Jesus chose us and gives us everything we need so that we might bear fruit.



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.



#451 "Stand Up!--Stand Up for Jesus"

by George Duffield, 1818-1888

I. Stand up!--stand up for Jesus,
Ye soldiers of the Cross!
Lift high His royal banner,
It must not suffer loss.
From vict'ry unto vict'ry
His army shall He lead
Till ev'ry foe is vanquished
And Christ is Lord indeed.

2. Stand up!--stand up for Jesus!
The trumpet-call obey;
Forth to the mighty conflict
In this His glorious day!
Ye that are men, now serve Him
Against unnumbered foes;
Let courage rise with danger
And strength to strength oppose.

3. Stand up!--stand up for Jesus!
Stand in His strength alone;
The arm of flesh will fail you,
Ye dare not trust your own.
Put on the Gospel armor,
Each piece put on with prayer;
Where duty calls or danger,
Be never wanting there.

4. Stand up!--stand up for Jesus!
The strife will not be long;
This day the noise of battle,
The next, the victor's song.
To him that overcometh
A crown of life shall be;
He with the King of Glory
Shall reign eternally.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, May 9 8:30 am Worship Service 9:30 am Sunday School 9:30 am Bible Class 10:30 am Worship Service

Tuesday, May 11 7pm Elders Meeting 7:30pm Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 12 4:pm Confirmation Class

Thursday, May 13 7pm Ascension Service

Sunday, May 16 8:30 am Worship Service 9:30 am Sunday School 9:30 am Voters' Meeting 10:30 am Worship Service

ATTENDANCE

Sunday Service - 54 Second Service - 17 Sunday School - 10 Bible Class - 12

FRUITS OF FAITH

General - \$ 2145.00 Missions - \$ 70.00 Building Fund- \$ 200.00 Organ Fund- \$ 100.00 School Fund - \$ 100.00 In memory of DiAnn Jones -\$ 25.00

USHERS FOR MAY

EARLY SERVICE

Russ Brown, Greg Jones, Mitch Newton, Carter Newton

LATE SERVICE

Gary Brown, Bob Kirst, Bill Jenkins, Tristan Jenkins

COUNTERS

This Week: Team # 4 Ron Kearley, Tristan Jenkens

Next Week: Team # 5 Jim Kok, Mark Brown- Kempenaar

CLEANING HELP

If you are able and willing to help clean once in a while, please contact Marsha Brown at 920-398-3279 or 920-570-1076 or email her at : martab@centurytel.net

DAN BARTHELS 40 YEARS

The church in Saginaw, MI is planning a celebration for Dan Barthel's 40th year of teaching. Details are available in a letter posted on the bulletin board.

SPOKESMAN RENEWAL

Spokesman renewal form is on the table in the hallway. Write you name and address underneath if you do not currently have a subscription but would like to be added. Checks should be made out to Faith Lutheran Church and put in Marsha Brown's box.

REPORTS

Reports from council, school board, and voters' meetings are on the shelf under the bulletin board.

BRANCHES MAGAZINE

TIME TO RENEW OR SUB-SCRIBE--The Branches magazine is a publication designed and published by women of the CLC. It's time to renew, subscribe for the first time, or purchase gift subscriptions for others in your life who may benefit. Mother's Day, confirmations, and graduations are upon us! A subscription makes a great, year-long gift. \$15 for 4, 24 page issues each year.

CHRIST EXPLORER CAMP

Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church will be hosting Christ's Explorers Camp Thursday, August 12 - Sunday, August 15, in Pigeon Forge, TN! Registration is open to students entering grade 3-9 for the 2021 -22 school year, registration limited to first 25 boys and 25 girls, and then a waiting list. Camp registration will be starting on Saturday, May 1, at 8am EST. Please contact Sara Kloke for more details. Runsforfun@aol.com or 803-530-4424.

CALL NEWS

Teacher Mikkela Hammond, St. Stephen, Mountain View, CA has been called by Grace Lutheran, Valentine NE to be their second fulltime teacher for Grades 3-6.

Immanuel, Mankato, MN voted to modify the call of Mr. Matthew Kranz from 5th & 6th grade to fill their vacant high school position. Additionally, they voted to modify the call of Mrs. Stephanie Roettger from Kindergarten to 5th & 6th grade.

Pastor Caleb Schaller, Messiah, Eau Claire, WI has returned the call by Redeemer, Sister Lakes, MI.

Mrs. Beth Sandeen has returned the call to serve as ILC's part-time oncampus mentor, the female counterpart in the on-campus counseling program, beginning in the 2021-22 academic year. Mrs. April Sydow, member at Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, WI, has now received this call. Teacher Nathan Buck, Valley Bible Academy - St. John's Lutheran, Clarkston, WA has accepted the call to teach the 5th-6th grade at Messiah Lutheran School, Eau Claire, WI. John Schnose has accepted the call to serve at Bethel in Morris, MN. They are planning an installation service for Sunday, May 16 at 4:00 PM



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