

“MY
PEACE
I GIVE
YOU”

JOHN 14:27, NIV

Faith Lutheran Church May 7th 2023

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

May 7, 2023

Liturgy: Setting Two, WS page 12

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Musician:

Lila Brown

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 146

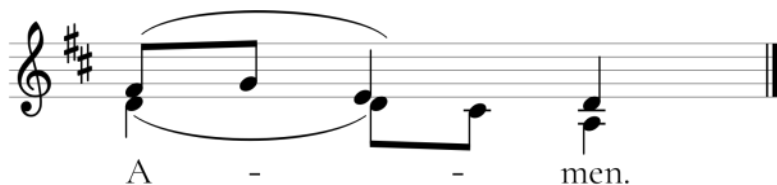
Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! ² While I live I will praise the LORD; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being. ³ Do not put your trust in princes, *Nor* in a son of man, in whom *there is* no help. ⁴ His spirit departs, he returns to his earth; In that very day his plans perish. ⁵ Happy *is he* who *has* the God of Jacob for his help, Whose hope *is* in the LORD his God, ⁶ Who made heaven and earth, The sea, and all that *is* in them; Who keeps truth forever, ⁷ Who executes justice for the oppressed, Who gives food to the hungry. The LORD gives freedom to the prisoners. ⁸ The LORD opens *the eyes of* the blind; The LORD raises those who are bowed down; The LORD loves the righteous. ⁹ The LORD watches over the strangers; He relieves the fatherless and widow; But the way of the wicked He turns upside down. ¹⁰ The LORD shall reign forever-- Your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#189 HE IS ARISEN GLORIOUS WORD

INVOCATION

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



CONFESSION OF SINS

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.

p 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.





Refrain

This is the feast of victory for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1. — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was
2. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and
3. Sing with all the peo - ple of
4. Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and
5. For the Lamb _____ who was



slain, whose blood set us free
strength, and hon - or, bless -
God, and join in the hymn of
might be to God and the Lamb for -
slain has be - gun His reign.



to be peo - ple of God. *refrain*
ing, and glo - ry are His. *refrain*
all cre - a - tion: *stanza 4*
ev - er. A - men. *refrain*
Al - le - lu - ia. *final refrain*

Final Refrain



This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

p Let us pray . . . O God, You make the minds of
Your people to be of one will. Grant that we may
love what You have commanded and desire what
You promise, that among the many changes of this
world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are
found ; through Jesus Chris, Your Son, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with the You and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and forever.



A - - - men.

THE WORD

Acts 6:1-9; 7:51-60 Now in those days, when *the number of* the disciples was multiplying, there arose a complaint against the Hebrews by the Hellenists, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. ² Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, "It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God and serve tables. ³ "Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of *good* reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; ⁴ "but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word." ⁵ And the saying pleased the whole multitude. And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch, ⁶ whom they set before the apostles; and when they had prayed, they laid hands on them. ⁷ Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith. ⁸ And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and signs among the

people. ⁹ Then there arose some from what is called the Synagogue of the Freedmen (Cyrenians, Alexandrians, and those from Cilicia and Asia), disputing with Stephen.

⁵¹ "You stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears! You always resist the Holy Spirit; as your fathers *did*, so *do* you. ⁵² "Which of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? And they killed those who foretold the coming of the Just One, of whom you now have become the betrayers and murderers, ⁵³ "who have received the law by the direction of angels and have not kept *it*." ⁵⁴ When they heard these things they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed at him with *their* teeth. ⁵⁵ But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God, ⁵⁶ and said, "Look! I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" ⁵⁷ Then they cried out with a loud voice, stopped their ears, and ran at him with one accord; ⁵⁸ and they cast *him* out of the city and stoned *him*. And the witnesses laid down their clothes at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹ And they stoned Stephen as he was calling on *God* and saying, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." ⁶⁰ Then he knelt down and cried out with a

loud voice, "Lord, do not charge them with this sin." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

1 Peter 2:2-10 ² as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby, ³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord *is* gracious. ⁴ Coming to Him *as to* a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God *and* precious, ⁵ you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ Therefore it is also contained in the Scripture, "Behold, I lay in Zion A chief cornerstone, elect, precious, And he who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame." ⁷ Therefore, to you who believe, *He is* precious; but to those who are disobedient, "The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone," ⁸ and "A stone of stumbling And a rock of offense." They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed. ⁹ But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; ¹⁰ who once *were* not a people but *are*

now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

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




Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!



These words are written that we may believe that



Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

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.

#355 THOU ART THE WAY

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

John 14:1-14 "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. ² "In My Father's house are many mansions; if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. ³ "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also. ⁴ "And where I go you know, and the way you know." ⁵ Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?" ⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. ⁷ "If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him." ⁸ Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'?" ¹⁰ "Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own *authority*; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works.

¹¹ "Believe Me that I *am* in the Father and the Father in Me, or else believe Me for the sake of the works themselves. ¹² "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater *works* than these he will do, because I go to My Father. ¹³ "And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ "If you ask anything in My name, I will do *it*.

AN EXPLOSION OF GRACE

Jesus' power plus Jesus' promises results in an explosion of God's grace towards us. We have a place where we belong. We have the privilege of prayer. We have been given salvation.



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. Take not Your Ho - ly



Spir-it from me. Restore to me the joy of Your sal-



va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir-it free.

#465 CHRIST IS OUR CORNERSTONE

OFFERING 572:4

4. As Thy prospering hand hath blest, May we give Thee
all our best And by deeds of kindly love For Thy mercies
grateful prove, Singing thus through all our days Praise to
God, immortal praise.

PRAYERS, 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, May 7

9am Worship Service

10am Sunday School

10:15am Bible Class

Tuesday, May 9

6:30pm Elders' Meeting

7:30pm Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 10

3:40pm Confirmation Class

Sunday May 14

9am Worship Service

10am Sunday School

10:15am Bible Class

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 12th Preschool Round-Up

May 16th 6:30pm SS & VBS Meeting

May 18th 7pm Ascension Service
and confirmation questioning

May 21st Confirmation Sunday

June 4th Graduation and Church
Picnic

June 5-6 Delegates Conference

July 17-21 VBS

USHERS FOR MAY

Russ Brown, Kent Quade,

Mitch Newton, Carter Newton

COUNTERS

This Week Team # 4

Lynn Dumke, Tyler Denson

Next Week Team # 5

Steve Meilahn, Jim Kok

FRUITS OF FAITH

Sunday Service – 84

Bible Class – 16

Sunday School- 5

General - \$5355.00

Missions - \$ 900.00

CHURCH PICNIC

Church picnic is June 4th. Lunch will be served at noon. School board will be providing meat, buns and ice cream. Members can bring a side dish to share.

2023 VBS

The school board moved the dates of VBS back one week to July 17-21.

VBS CAMP SURVEY

We are attempting to schedule a camping trip for the older kids this summer. A survey is available on the shelf under the bulletin board. The purpose of the survey is to gauge interest and figure out which dates will work best. Please fill one out and return to Pastor Ude's box.

SUMMER MOWING

The signup sheet for mowing this summer is on the bulletin board. Darwin has offered to let people use his mower. If you need Darwin's mower, please indicate such on the signup sheet.

PRESCHOOL ROUND-UP

8-11am on Friday May 12th. Any child who will be 3-4 years old by September 9th, 2023.

FLOAT FOR JUNE DAIRY DAYS

If anyone is interested in helping to build the float for June Dairy Days, please talk to Pastor Ude.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Acts 17:16-31
Psalm 66:8-20
1 Peter 3:13-22
John 14:15-21

CALL NEWS

Ross Kok of Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran School, Phoenix, AZ has returned the call to be the upper grade teacher at Valley Bible Academy, Clarkston, WA.

Pastor Nathanael Mayhew of Grace Lutheran in Sleepy Eye, MN and Faith Lutheran in New Ulm, MN is considering the call to serve as the third pastor at Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI

Seminary graduate Jonah Albrecht has accepted the call from the dual parish of Redemption Lutheran of Lynnwood, WA and Ascension Lutheran of Tacoma, WA to serve as their pastor.

Teacher graduate Stephen Krause has accepted the call from Grace Lutheran in Valentine, NE to teach in their school.



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