

SEPTEMBER 15, 2024 FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

WELCOME

Thank you for worshiping with us today. Please sign the guest register in the entry as you leave the church today.

TODAY'S SERVICE

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 116:1-9

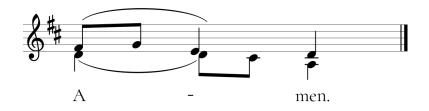
I love the LORD, because He has heard My voice and my supplications. ² Because He has inclined His ear to me, Therefore I will call upon Him as long as I live. ³ The pains of death surrounded me, And the pangs of Sheol laid hold of me: I found trouble and sorrow. 4 Then I called upon the name of the LORD: "O LORD, I implore You, deliver my soul!" 5 Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; Yes, our God is merciful. ⁶ The LORD preserves the simple; I was brought low, and He saved me. ⁷ Return to your rest, O my soul, For the LORD has dealt bountifully with you. ⁸ For You have delivered my soul from death, My eyes from tears, And my feet from falling. 9 I will walk before the LORD In the land of the living.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#12:1-3 This Day at Thy Creating Word

INVOCATION

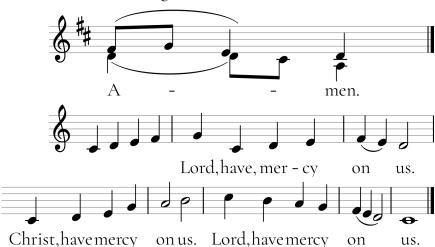
p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



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.





p Let us pray . . . Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

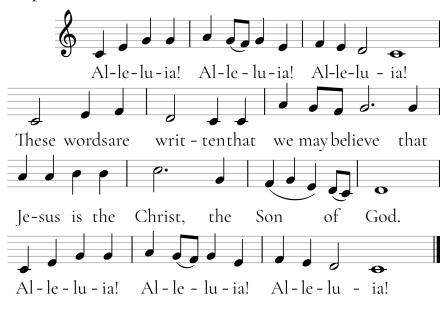
Isaiah 50:4-10 ⁴ "The Lord GOD has given Me The tongue of the learned, That I should know how to speak A word in season to *him who is* weary. He awakens Me morning by morning, He awakens My ear To hear as the learned. ⁵ The Lord GOD has opened My ear; And I was not rebellious, Nor did I turn away. ⁶ I gave My back to those who struck *Me*, And My cheeks to those who plucked out the beard; I did not hide My face from shame and spitting. ⁷ "For the Lord GOD will help Me; Therefore I will not be disgraced; Therefore I have set My face like a flint, And I know that I will not be ashamed. ⁸ *He is* near who justifies Me; Who

will contend with Me? Let us stand together. Who *is* My adversary? Let him come near Me. ⁹ Surely the Lord GOD will help Me; Who *is* he *who* will condemn Me? Indeed they will all grow old like a garment; The moth will eat them up. ¹⁰ "Who among you fears the LORD? Who obeys the voice of His Servant? Who walks in darkness And has no light? Let him trust in the name of the LORD And rely upon his God.

James 3:1-12 My brethren, let not many of you become teachers, knowing that we shall receive a stricter judgment. ² For we all stumble in many things. If anyone does not stumble in word, he *is* a perfect man, able also to bridle the whole body. ³ Indeed¹, we put bits in horses' mouths that they may obey us, and we turn their whole body. ⁴ Look also at ships: although they are so large and are driven by fierce winds, they are turned by a very small rudder wherever the pilot desires. ⁵ Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles! ⁶ And the tongue *is* a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell. ⁷ For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is

tamed and has been tamed by mankind. ⁸ But no man can tame the tongue. *It is* an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹ With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God. ¹⁰ Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹ Does a spring send forth fresh *water* and bitter from the same opening? ¹² Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Thus no spring yields both salt water and fresh.

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.

#424:1-4 My God My Father Make Me Strong

SERMON

Mark 9:14-29 ¹⁴ And when He came to the disciples, He saw a great multitude around them, and scribes disputing with them. 15 Immediately, when they saw Him, all the people were greatly amazed, and running to Him, greeted Him. ¹⁶ And He asked the scribes, "What are you discussing with them?" ¹⁷ Then one of the crowd answered and said, "Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. 18 "And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not." 19 He answered him and said, "O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me." 20 Then they brought him to Him. And when he saw Him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth. 21 So He asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. 22 "And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." ²³ Jesus said to him, "If you can believe¹, all things *are* possible to him who believes." ²⁴ Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!" ²⁵ When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!" ²⁶ Then *the spirit* cried out, convulsed him greatly, and came out of him. And he became as one dead, so that many said, "He is dead." ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸ And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁹ So He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting."

JESUS MAKES MOUNTAINS DISAPPEAR

When we run into obstacles it can be tempting to believe that Jesus has failed. Jesus reminds us that all things are possible for the one who believes.



INSTALLATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

#428:1-4 I Am Trusting Thee Lord Jesus 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 too give that 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.



THE FIRST SONG OF ISAIAH

Words and Music by Jack Noble White

Refrain: Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior.

- I. Therefore, you shall draw water with rejoicing from the springs of salvation. And on that day you shall say, Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; (refrain)
- 2. Make his deeds known among the peoples; see that they remember that his Name is exalted. Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, and this is known in all the world. (refrain)
- 3. Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel. (refrain 2x)

Meet The New Members

Chelsea Haight and her son Tim



Chelsea, Tim, Kayden, Brad

Chelsea grew up in Kingston and attended Markesan District schools. She lives in Kingston with her husband, Brad, as well as their sons, 16 year old, Kayden, and 7 year old, Tim. Chelsea and Brad also have 3 other grown sons and a 7 month old grandson. Chelsea and

Brad own and operate B & C pumping where Chelsea stays busy managing schedules and daily business operations. Chelsea also works at the Markesan Elementary School in the kitchen. Chelsea is a ray of sunshine. You will always be greeted with a big smile and a hello from her. She cares about everyone she meets and you can tell that from just one conversation with her. If Chelsea isn't at the park, on an outdoor adventure, or fishing with her boys, you will find her in the kitchen cooking a delicious meal or dessert. Welcome Chelsea! We are happy to have you here as a member at Faith.

Meet The New Members

Marissa Maleck



Marissa grew up in Randolph with her parents, Eric and Jill. She has an older sister, Tanya, a brother-in-law, Doyle, and an older brother, Doug. Marissa is engaged to Troy Cotterill and they are planning to get married on October 19, 2024. She works at Ergo bank in Markesan. Marissa has a 'go with the flow' type of personality and is always willing to

help others whenever it is needed. She is a DIY expert who can tackle any random task at hand. She has two cats named Fez and Poppy. She loves to play cards and will spend as much time as possible with family and friends. Faith is very blessed to have Marissa in our congregation. Welcome to our CLC family, Marissa!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, September 15

9 am Worship Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15am Bible Class

Wednesday, September 18

3:45-5:15 pm Confirmation Class

Sunday, September 22

9 am Worship Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15am Bible Class

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 15 – SS Teachers Installation Sept 15 Sunday School & Bible Class Start

FRUITS OF FAITH

Sunday Service – 4 Worship in the Woods Service- 26

General - \$ 3332

Missions - \$55

In memory of Kent Quade- \$ 45

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Jeff Jones, Gary Brown, Paul Eserhut, Tristan Jenkins

COUNTERS

This Week Team # 5

Denis Jones, Lynn Dumke

Next Week Team #6

Jim Kok

COFFEE AND SNACKS

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for coffee and snacks for fellowship after church

LUTHER MEMORIAL GAME NIGHT

Luther Memorial is hosting a family game night on the second Friday of September (13), October (11), November (8) and December (13). All are invited and asked to bring games and join us.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Jer. 11:18-20

Psalm 54

James 3:13— 4:10

Mark 9:30-37

CALL NEWS

Pastor Samuel Rodebaugh of Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO has accepted the call to St. John's Lutheran Church, Okabena, MN following Pastor James Albrecht's retirement.

Pastor Zachary Sippert will be installed at Grace Ev. Lutheran Church, Sleepy Eye, MN on September 29, 2024.

Pastor Drew Naumann of Trinity Ev. Lutheran, Spokane, WA has received the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church and School, Mountain View, CA.

Pastor Emeritus Mark Gullerud has been called and has accepted the call to serve as vacancy pastor of St. Stephen Lutheran Church and School, Mountain View, CA beginning October 15, 2024.

Pastor Timothy Wheaton of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Loveland, CO has announced his retirement from the ministry on September 29, 2024.

DISSOLUTION OF CONGREGATION

St. Stephen-West (Mountain View) and East Bay (Hayward) are effectively now a combined congregation. St. Stephen Lutheran Church of the East Bay has resolved to dissolve the congregation on 12/31/24. The members of the congregation have been encouraged to transfer their membership to St. Stephen-West in Mountain View prior to the dissolution date, which most of the East Bay members have done already. Sunday worship services in Hayward will be maintained through the end of Pastor Bernthal's service in October. The hope is that in the near future a preaching station in the East Bay region (Oakland area) will be established. along with our current preaching stations in Stockton and Sacramento.



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