A wooden cross made of two weathered logs, set against a bright blue sky with soft white clouds. The cross is the central focus of the image.

**“WHOEVER WANTS TO
BE MY DISCIPLE MUST
DENY THEMSELVES
AND TAKE UP THEIR
CROSS AND FOLLOW ME.”**

MATTHEW 16:24, NIV

SEPTEMBER 22, 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

September 22nd, 2024

Liturgy: Setting Two, WS page 12

Speaker:

Pastor Matthew Ude

Organist:

Vanessa Ude

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 54

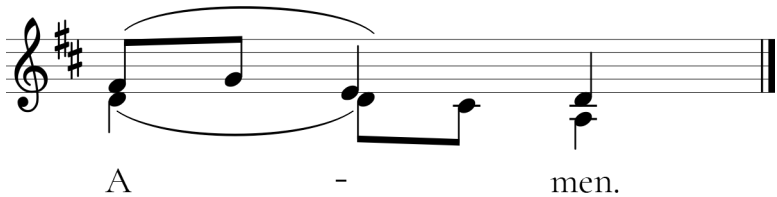
Save me, O God, by Your name, And vindicate me by Your strength. ² Hear my prayer, O God; Give ear to the words of my mouth. ³ For strangers have risen up against me, And oppressors have sought after my life; They have not set God before them. Selah ⁴ Behold, God is my helper; The Lord is with those who uphold my life. ⁵ He will repay my enemies for their evil. Cut them off in Your truth. ⁶ I will freely sacrifice to You; I will praise Your name, O LORD, for *it is good*. ⁷ For He has delivered me out of all trouble; And my eye has seen *its desire* upon my enemies.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#10 This Is the Day the Lord hath Made

INVOCATION

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

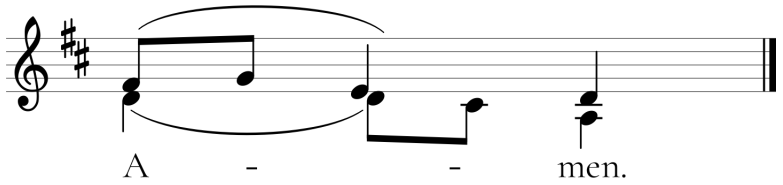


CONFESSION OF SINS

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.



A - - - men.

The first line of musical notation is on a treble clef staff with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). It features a melodic line with a long slur over the first three notes (A, G, F) and a final note (E) with a fermata. The lyrics 'A - - - men.' are positioned below the staff.



Lord, have, mer - cy on us.

The second line of musical notation is on a treble clef staff. It features a melodic line with a long slur over the first three notes (C, D, E) and a final note (F) with a fermata. The lyrics 'Lord, have, mer - cy on us.' are positioned below the staff.



Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.

The third line of musical notation is on a treble clef staff. It features a melodic line with a long slur over the first three notes (G, A, B) and a final note (C) with a fermata. The lyrics 'Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.' are positioned below the staff.



Glo - ry to God, we
Lord Je - sus Christ, the
A - lone, O Christ, You



give You thanks and praise; Of heav'n - ly
Fa - ther's on - ly Son, You bore for
on - ly are the Lord, At God's right



joy and peace on earth we sing. We wor-ship
us the load of this world's sin. O Lamb of
hand in maj-es - ty most high: Who, with the

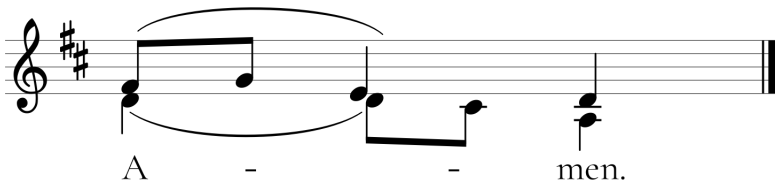


You, to You our hearts we raise, Lord God, al-
God, Your glo-rious vic-t'ry won, Re - ceive our
Spir - it worshiped and a - dored, With all the



might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King
prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

p Let us pray . . . O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

Jeremiah 11:18-20 ¹⁸ Now the LORD gave me knowledge of *it*, and I know *it*; for You showed me their doings. ¹⁹ But I *was* like a docile lamb¹ brought to the slaughter; and I did not know that they had devised schemes against me, *saying*, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, and let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name may be remembered no more." ²⁰ But, O LORD of hosts, You who judge righteously, Testing the mind and the heart, Let me see Your vengeance on them, For to You I have revealed my cause.

James 3:13-4:10 ¹³ Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show by good conduct *that* his works *are done* in the meekness of wisdom. ¹⁴ But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth. ¹⁵ This wisdom does not descend from above, but *is* earthly, sensual, demonic. ¹⁶ For where envy and self-seeking *exist*, confusion and every evil thing *are* there. ¹⁷ But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy. ¹⁸ Now the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace. 4:1 Where do wars and fights *come* from among you? Do *they* not *come* from your *desires for* pleasure that war in your members? ² You lust and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and war. Yet[†] you do not have because you do not ask. ³ You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend *it* on your pleasures. ⁴ Adulterers and[†] adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. ⁵ Or do you think that the Scripture says in vain, "The Spirit who dwells in us yearns jealously"? ⁶ But He gives more grace.

Therefore He says: "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble!" ⁷ Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. ⁸ Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse *your* hands, *you* sinners; and purify *your* hearts, *you* double-minded. ⁹ Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and *your* joy to gloom. ¹⁰ Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.

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 writ - tenthat 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.

#416 Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways

SERMON

Mark 9:30-37 ³⁰ Then they departed from there and passed through Galilee, and He did not want anyone to know it. ³¹ For He taught His disciples and said to them,

"The Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of men, and they will kill Him. And after He is killed, He will rise the third day." ³² But they did not understand this saying, and were afraid to ask Him. ³³ Then He came to Capernaum. And when He was in the house He asked them, "What was it you disputed among yourselves on the road?" ³⁴ But they kept silent, for on the road they had disputed among themselves who *would be the* greatest. ³⁵ And He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "If anyone desires to be first, he shall be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶ Then He took a little child and set him in the midst of them. And when He had taken him in His arms, He said to them, ³⁷ "Whoever receives one of these little children in My name receives Me; and whoever receives Me, receives not Me but Him who sent Me."

HOW TO WIN AN ARGUMENT

Remember the Cross

Be First to be Last

Don't Take Advantage

#769 Lift High The Cross

Offering Hymn #788:1

Lord, You love the cheerful giver who with open heart and hand, blesses freely, as a river that refreshes all the land. Grant us, then , the grace of giving with a spirit large and true that our life and all our living we may consecrate to You.

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.



#785 Children Of The Heavenly Father

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 22

9 am Worship Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15am Bible Class

Wednesday, September 18

3:45-5:15 pm Confirmation Class

Sunday, September 29

9 am Communion Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15am Bible Class

FRUITS OF FAITH

Sunday Service – 82

General Fund - 2641

Missions – 35

Sunday School – 12

Bible Class - 22

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Jeff Jones, Gary Brown,
Paul Eserhut, Tristan Jenkins

USHERS FOR OCTOBER

B.J. Lillo, Bob Kirst,
Bob McElroy, Randy Strelow

COUNTERS

This Week Team # 6

Jim Kok

Next Week Team #1

Greg Suwanski, Keith Dickerson

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.

JACOB LILLO

Jacob Lillo is serving in the Air Force his address is:

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FUNERAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Please check your mailboxes. There is important information about your funeral. If you wish to fill it out, when finished, please put it in my mailbox (Marsha Brown) in the secretary box (bottom right of the mailboxes) or on my desk.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Num. 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

Psalms 104: 27-35

James 5:13-20

Mark 9:38-50

CALL NEWS

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 Daub of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Hecla, SD has received the call to serve as vacancy pastor of Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Church, Bowdle, SD.

Pastor Timothy Daub has also received the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.

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

Pastor Tom Schuetze has received and accepted the call to serve as va-

cancy pastor of Peace Lutheran Church, Loveland, CO following Pastor Timothy Wheaton's retirement 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.

Worksheet - Mark 9:30-37

Verse 31

What is our goal?

769 verse 1

769 verse 2

769 verse 3

Verses 32-35

What are some of your favorite strategies for winning arguments?

What is the only way to win?

Why did the disciples have trouble understanding?

When do we show a lack of understanding?

Verses 36-37

What does the word “receive” mean in this context?

What can children not do?

How does this apply to more than just children?



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