

# Faith Lutheran Church

*“You are my witnesses.*

Is there any

**GOD**

besides me?

No, there is

no other

**ROCK;**

*I know not one.”*

ISAIAH 44:8, NIV

October 13, 2024

# 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

October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Liturgy: Common Service

**Speaker:** Pastor Mark Bernthal

**Organist:** Pamela Schulz

# PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

## *Psalm 90: 12-17*

12 Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom. 13 Relent, LORD! How long will it be? Have compassion on your servants. 14 Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days. 15 Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, for as many years as we have seen trouble. 16 May your deeds be shown to your servants, your splendor to their children. 17 May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us— yes, establish the work of our hands.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## #376 "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

### 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.

Lord, have mer-cy on us, Christ, have mer -  
 cy on us, Lord, have mer - cy on us.

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.

A - - - men.

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



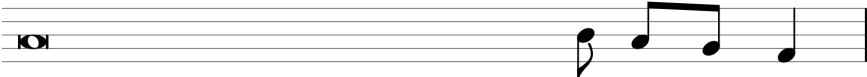
Glory be to God on high,



and on earth peace, good will toward men,



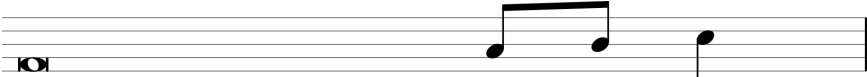
We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you,



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.



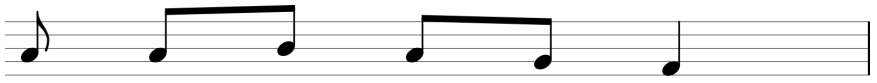
You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer.



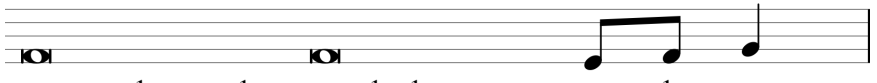
You sit at the right hand of God the Father;



have mercy on us, For you only are holy;



you only are the Lord.



You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit,



are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

p The Lord be with you.



p Let us pray . . . Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthly gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure ; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## THE WORD

**Romans 8:18-30** <sup>18</sup> For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy *to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us. <sup>19</sup> For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. <sup>20</sup> For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected *it* in hope; <sup>21</sup> because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty



of the children of God. <sup>22</sup> For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now. <sup>23</sup> Not only *that*, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body. <sup>24</sup> For we were saved in this hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope for what he sees? <sup>25</sup> But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for *it* with perseverance. <sup>26</sup> Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us<sup>1</sup> with groanings which cannot be uttered. <sup>27</sup> Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit *is*, because He makes intercession for the saints according to *the will of* God. <sup>28</sup> And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to *His* purpose. <sup>29</sup> For whom He foreknew, He also predestined *to be* conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. <sup>30</sup> Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

**Matthew 14:13-21** <sup>13</sup> When Jesus heard *it*, He departed from there by boat to a deserted place by Himself. But when the multitudes heard it, they followed Him on foot from the cities. <sup>14</sup> And when Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them, and healed their sick. <sup>15</sup> When it was evening, His disciples came to Him, saying, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is already late. Send the multitudes away, that they may go into the villages and buy themselves food." <sup>16</sup> But Jesus said to them, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat." <sup>17</sup> And they said to Him, "We have here only five loaves and two fish." <sup>18</sup> He said, "Bring them here to Me." <sup>19</sup> Then He commanded the multitudes to sit down on the grass. And He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples; and the disciples gave to the multitudes. <sup>20</sup> So they all ate and were filled, and they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments that remained. <sup>21</sup> Now those who had eaten were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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



Al-le - lu - ia! Alle - lu - ia! Alle - 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.

# #529 "I Leave All Things to God's Direction"

## SERMON

**Isaiah 44:6-8** <sup>6</sup> "Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, And his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: 'I *am* the First and I *am* the Last; Besides Me *there is* no God. <sup>7</sup> And who can proclaim as I do? Then let him declare it and set it in order for Me, Since I appointed the ancient people. And the things that are coming and shall come, Let them show these to them. <sup>8</sup> Do not fear, nor be afraid; Have I not told you from that time, and declared *it*? You *are* My witnesses. Is there a God besides Me? Indeed *there is* no other Rock; I know not *one*.'"

## THE LORD IS OUR ROCK!

I: He is Rock-Solid in His Care for Us.

II: He is Rock-Solid in His Prophecies.

III: He is Rock-Solid in His Claim as the only God.



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.

## #370 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

### Offering Hymn #441:1-2

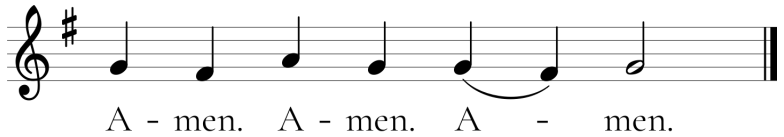
We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be, all that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee. May we Thy bounties thus, as stewards true receive, and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first fruits give

### 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.



## #364:1-5 How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to Mark Bernthal for preaching today.

Thank you to Pamela Schulz for playing for service and helping the choir.

Sunday, October 13

9 am Worship Service

10 am Sunday School Bible Class

10:15 am Bible Class

Wednesday, October 16

3:45-5:15 pm Confirmation Class

Sunday, October 20

9 am Worship Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15am Bible Class

## UPCOMING EVENTS

10/24 7pm Voters' Meeting

10/27 4pm Joint Reformation Service

## FRUITS OF FAITH

Sunday Service – 119

General Fund - \$4266

Missions – \$505

No Sunday School or BC

CLC Edu - \$ 25

## USHERS FOR OCTOBER

B.J. Lillo, Bob Klirst,

Bob McElroy, Randy Strelow

## COUNTERS

This Week Team # 3

Randy Strelow, Robert Schmidt

Next Week Team #4

Robbin Whitehouse,

Dale, Muehlenhaupt

## VOTERS MEETING

Voters' Meeting 7pm on October 24.

## SCHOOL

No school next week Oct. 16,7,18,  
Teacher's Conference



## **BIBLE CLASS**

Mark Bernthal will be presenting a bible class on the Old Testament prophet Obadiah.

## **CHOIR PRACTICE**

The choir is meeting after church. Pam has graciously agreed to help the choir prepare for the joint reformation service.

## **REFORMATION SUPPER**

Faith will be hosting a supper following the joint reformation service on October 27. Heather Herbst has agreed to organize this supper.

There should be a signup sheet on the bulletin board.

## **MEETING NOTES**

Meeting notes are available on the shelf.

## **SAINTS LIST**

Departed saints list for All Saints' Day is available on the shelf under the bulleting board.

## **JOINT REFORMATION SERVICE**

We are hosting the southeastern Wisconsin joint reformation service this year. It will take place on October 27. The children will be singing hymn 261. The Adult Choir will be singing Foundations of Faith. We hope you can all make it. The schedule is as follows:

3:30 pm Choir Practice

4:00 pm Communion Service

5:30 pm Lunch

## **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.

## ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

The ladies of Luther Memorial Church will be hosting an Advent by Candlelight for all women and their female family members and friends on Sunday, **December 8, 2024 at 3 p.m.** There is no charge for this event. This will be a wonderful afternoon of the Word, music and fellowship to help you prepare your hearts for the Advent season before the holiday gets into full swing!

## BIBLES

There is a very beautiful, very old (1850) Bible that was donated to us. It is in the library, third shelf from the top next to the Books of the Bible.

There are also two smaller Bibles that were donated, one is illustrated. They are on the second shelf from the bottom next to the large green book, The Life and Times of Jesus the Messiah.

## FUNERAL QUESTIONNAIRE

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

## VERY IMPORTANT

We have been gifted several De-Chokers from the fire department.

This is a portable, hand-held, suction-powered device to help clear an airway in the event of a choking emergency

It is in the drawer under the guest book.

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Eccl. 5:10-20

Psalms 119:9-16

Heb. 4:1-13

Mark 10:23-31

## CALL NEWS

Pastor Sam Rodebaugh will be installed at St. John's Lutheran Church, Okabena, MN on November 10, 2024.

Pastor Matthew Hanel of St. Matthew Ev. Lutheran Church, Dallas, TX has received the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church and School, Mountain View, CA.

Pastor Frank Gantt of Zion Ev. Lutheran Church, Loganville, GA has received the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.



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