

A photograph of a group of people, likely of African descent, holding hands in a circle. The focus is on the hands in the foreground, which are clasped together. The background shows other people in a similar pose, slightly out of focus. The overall mood is one of unity and community.

**May they be one,  
as we are one**

JOHN 17:22

**FAITHFUL LUTHERANS SENT BY CHRIST TO SERVE  
GOD'S CHILDREN**

May 16, 2010

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# FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## **WELCOME!**

All are welcome at Faith Lutheran Church today as we continue our journey of faith. Join with us as we offer our praises to God. We offer Holy Communion each Sunday. All baptized persons who believe that Christ is truly present in this meal are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper. There is a nursery available for those who need it. A red Fellowship Pad is at the end of each pew, please pass it down the pew so everyone can sign for the day, this helps us know visitors and have vital information

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The Flowers today are given today by the Rick & Terri Barr in celebration of their wedding anniversary and May birthdays

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## **LAST WEEK AT FAITH:**

### OFFERINGS:

Current	\$ 3476.85
Other	\$ 107.00
Total	\$ 3583.85

### ATTENDANCE:

Worship	98
Nursery	2
	<u>100</u>

We need at least \$3236.00 in **current** each week to continue the missions of our church. How did we do last week? Thanks to all who worship, work, give, and pray at Faith in thanks to God for His many blessings.

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## **SERVING THIS WEEK AT FAITH:**

Pastor ... Scott Meier

Worship... Dan Diekhoff	Acolyte.. Cheyanne Peter
Assistant... Kate Scott	Crucifer.. Whitney Hayes
Organist... Barb Brewster	Greeters.. Rife
Fin. Asst... Lyle Gernand	Social.. PLOT
Nursery .....Lisa Peter	Audio.. Chuck Landis
Altar Guild..Bev Haire & Beth Wright	
Ushers... Lyle & Peg Gernand, Bill & Cathy Holman	

**Next week:** Assistant; C. Taylor, Crucifer; K. Peter Acolyte; L. Sigler Greeters; P. Smith Social; Visitation Team Luncheon Audio; Chuck Landis

## Events & Activities This Week Around Faith:

Today, May 16	9:15 am	SCS
	10:30 am	Worship After; Coffee Fellowship PLOT Luncheon, Council
Mon, May 17	10:00 am	Faithful Quilters
Tues., May 18	9:00 am	WCS
Wed., May 19	7:00 pm	Confirmation
Thurs., May 20	9:00 am	WCS Farm Trip
	2:00 pm	Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Girl Scouts
Sun., May 23	9:15 am	SCS
	10:30 am	Worship After; Coffee Fellowship, Visitation Team kick-off luncheon

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Betty McLaughlin      Norma Boehme

Our Service Men & women and all those in need of our thoughts and prayers in our Faith Family and beyond.

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## Announcements

**THANK YOU:** Thank you to Dan Diekhoff for supplying today for Pastor Scott today, while he is on vacation.

**PLOT COOKOUT:** Plot will be hosting a cookout filled with fellowship and family fun to benefit Lutheran Outdoor Ministries following the worship service today. See Lyle Gernand for details.

**PROPERTY TEAM:** The property team is planning another outside work day on Saturday, May 22 beginning at 8:30. There is a lot to do and they invite everyone to come pitch in. Much help is needed and all are welcome, remember this is Your church too!

**I-K SYNOD ASSEMBLY:** We are looking for two delegates from Faith to send to the Synod Assembly. It is June 4-6 and is being held in Covington, KY. Please see Pastor or Lyle if interested.

**EVANGELISM-VISITATION TEAM:** Kick off luncheon will be held Sunday, May 23, following worship. For more information see Virginia Klemens

**PENTECOST GERANIUMS:** The worship & music team will once again be taking orders for geraniums to don the altar on Pentecost Sunday, today is the last day to place your order

**BLOOD DRIVE:** First Christian Church Community Blood Drive is Sunday, May 23 from 11-4 in the Grace Center.

**FIRST READING: Acts 16:16-34**

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. <sup>17</sup>While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." <sup>18</sup>She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

<sup>19</sup>But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. <sup>20</sup>When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews <sup>21</sup>and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." <sup>22</sup>The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. <sup>23</sup>After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. <sup>24</sup>Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

<sup>25</sup>About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. <sup>26</sup>Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. <sup>27</sup>When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup>But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." <sup>29</sup>The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup>Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" <sup>31</sup>They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." <sup>32</sup>They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. <sup>33</sup>At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. <sup>34</sup>He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

**Psalm 97****SECOND READING: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21**

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# Know God, Know Unity

In today's gospel, Jesus voices his desire "that they may all be one" (John 17:21). Jesus is a link that provides unity for such an unusual group. The disciples came from a variety of backgrounds, social classes, and vocations. They were fishermen, business people, and tax collectors. We gathered believers also come from a variety of backgrounds: farmers, lawyers, teachers, students, shopkeepers, construction workers, (insert your own background here). Look around the congregation, the people who have assembled today for worship. Who else could bring together such a variety of ages, political views, and tribes?

But in the petitions we pray together each week, we hear similarities: a desire for meaningful employment; education for our children; for all to be healed in body, mind, and spirit; an end to war and hunger. In worship, we are united in our hearts and minds.

Jesus is *the* link that attaches us to one another. Our common thread is Jesus. Sometimes it may seem as if Jesus is the only thing we have in common. But Jesus is more than enough. Because we know Jesus, we can know God. If we are able to see the crucified Jesus and the risen Christ, we can look through Jesus and see God. In Jesus, we meet God. God's power and promise is in Jesus. When we know Jesus, we know God. God, the creator of the universe. God, the one who created all people. We know God!

In the news and in our lives, it often seems as if "unity" is a far-away promise. Still, God supports us in becoming of one mind and one heart. God believes in us. We hear from Jesus that God sent him and that God loves us (John 17:23). With God all things are possible.

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## GOSPEL: John 17:20-26

[Jesus prayed:] "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup>that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup>The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, <sup>23</sup>I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. <sup>24</sup>Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

<sup>25</sup>"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup>I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

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**Next Sunday's Readings:** Acts 2:1-21 or Genesis 11:1-9; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21; John 14:8-17 [25-27].

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