

**The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 12, 2012**

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FAITHFUL LUTHERANS SENT BY CHRIST TO SERVE GOD'S CHILDREN

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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.

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The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Don and Vivian Smith

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Events/Activities This Week around Faith:

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| Today | 9:15am | Adult S.S. | Thur. 8/16 | 10:00am | Bible Study |
| | 10:30am | Worship | Fri. 8/17 | 7:00pm | Concert/Park |
| | 11:30am | Meet/Eat | Sun. 8/19 | 9:15am | Adult S.S. |
| | 12:30pm | Council | | 10:30am | Worship |
| Tues. 8/14 | 7:00pm | WELCA | | | |

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Announcements

NEWSLETTER articles are due on August 15 for the September Newsletter. Just a reminder, the newsletter is available now through the website (www.flcjeff.org) or by e-mail if you give your e-mail address to the office and ask for the newsletter to come to you that way. There will be a few printed copies available in the Narthex.

I am contacting you regarding Sullivan University College of Pharmacy's 2nd Annual "Support Our Troops" donation drive. Each year, SUCOP students collect many items and money to create care packages to send overseas to our troops in Afghanistan and Iraq. In addition to the troops, this year we will also be collecting "care packages" for their families at home. I wanted to take it a step further and have our community and church help out. This serves as a great source of encouragement for the troops and is a simple way that we as a community can reach out and show our appreciation for the sacrifice and dedication made by these soldiers and their families. **The drive will last from August 1st to August 31st. A list of great donation ideas is available from the office.** Thank you in advance for your kindness and your donations. We support our troops!

Lindsey Barr MT Doctor of Pharmacy Candidate, 2014
Vice President of Health and Wellness, APhA-ASP
Sullivan University College of Pharmacy

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
the creator of wind and rain, field and ocean,
the bread of life coming down from above,
the power at work within us and this world.

Amen.

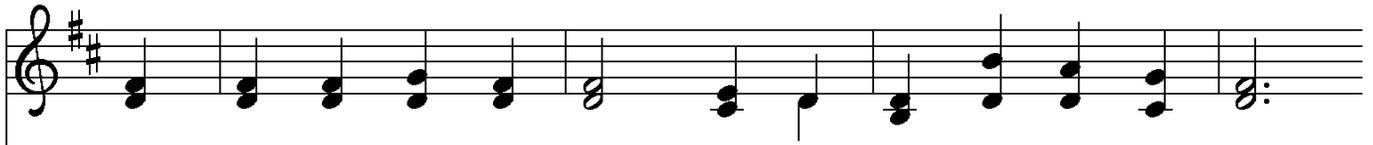
Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

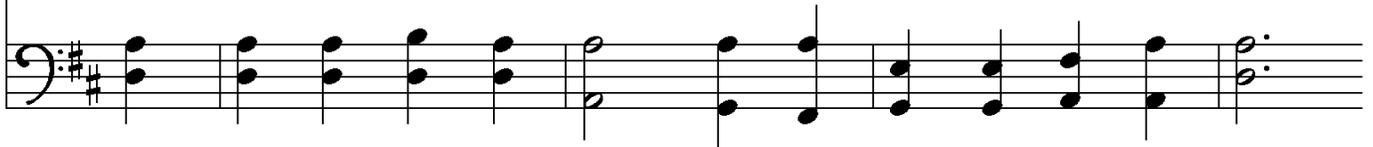
God and Father of all,
**we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed.
We have thought better of ourselves than others.
We have told lies, said hurtful things,
acted in ways we wish we could take back,
and looked the other way when action was needed.
In your mercy, O God,
forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us,
for the sake of Jesus, our Savior.
Amen.**

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:
everything old has passed away;
everything has become new!
In Christ, + you are a new creation:
your sins are taken away and you are made new.
Be kind to one another,
tenderhearted, forgiving one another,
as God in Christ has forgiven you.
Amen.

GATHERING SONG: *O Living Bread from Heaven* (ELW 542)



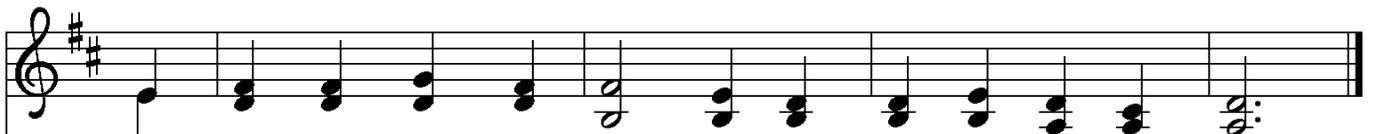
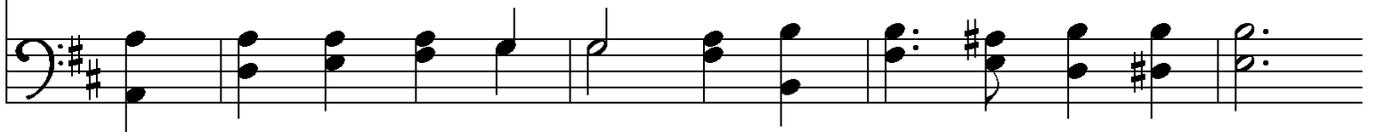
1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!
2 My Sav - ior, you have led me with - in your ho - liest place,
3 You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.
4 Oh, grant me then, well - strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here



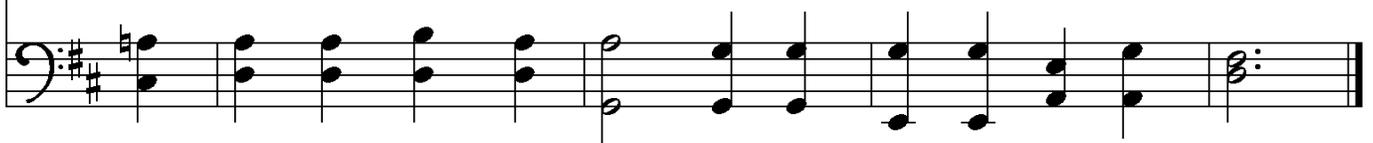
The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.
and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;
And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.
my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;



O won - drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!
for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,
My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,
and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,



My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er - flows!
the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.
and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.
where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.



GREETING

The grace that is Christ's gift to us, the love of God, and the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace be with you all. **And also with you.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



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



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



Refrain
hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



Refrain
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.....Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:4–8

A reading from 1 Kings.

⁴But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." ⁵Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." ⁶He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. ⁷The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." ⁸He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 34:1–8

¹I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

²I will glory in the LORD; let the lowly hear and rejoice.

³Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's name together.

⁴I sought the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.

⁵Look upon the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.

I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me and saved me from all my troubles.

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD and delivers them.

⁸Taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!

SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:25—5:2

A reading from Ephesians.

²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but

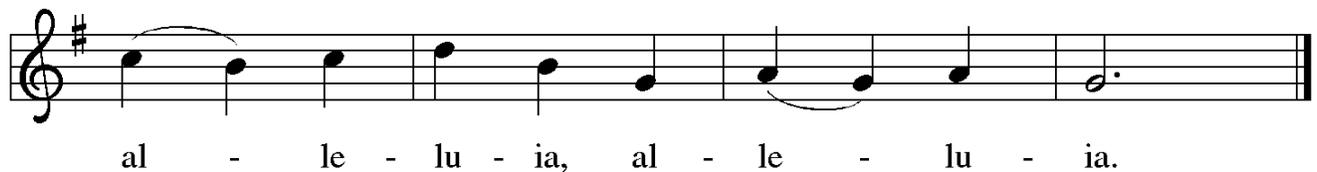
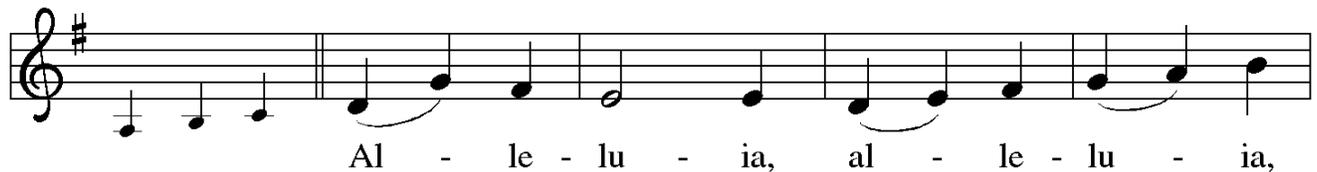
only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Repeat alleluia



GOSPEL: John 6:35, 41–51

The holy gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ⁴¹Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴²They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" ⁴³Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. ⁴⁶Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life.

⁴⁹Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY: *O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts* (ELW 658)

1 O Je - sus, joy of lov - ing hearts, the fount of
2 We taste you, ev - er - liv - ing bread, and long to
3 For you our rest - less spir - its yearn, wher - e'er our
4 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay! Make all our

life, the light of all: from ev - 'ry bliss that earth im -
feast up - on you still; we drink of you, the foun - tain -
chang - ing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you
mo - ments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin a -

parts we turn, un - filled, to hear your call.
head; our thirst - ing souls from you we fill.
turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.
way! Shed o'er the world your ho - ly light.

APOSTLE'S CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With reverence for the earth, those in need, and the whole human family, let us offer our prayers to God. *A brief silence.*

Loving God, you call us into being and set our feet on a path to share the good news of Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life, with a hungry world. Sustain the church on its pilgrimage from death to life. Let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

Sovereign Lord, you have formed us into peoples and nations and have given us laws to govern ourselves. Encourage national and political leaders to turn from bitterness, wrath, slander, and malice, and speak words of truth and justice. Let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

Sustaining Spirit, you have created this world and all that is in it. Nourish the earth with sun and rain, and feed all creatures great and small with the harvest of the land. Let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

Healing Savior, you look with compassion on your world that is hurting. Deliver all in trouble, affliction, danger, or need especially Walter Clive, Arlys Johnson, Chuck Boston, Shirley Buschman, Kathy Dycus, Vivian Fraizer, Pat Hudson, Brian Johnson, Charlie Kayrouz, Don Maas, Guy McCauley, and Bill Winn.

Let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

Gracious God, you have called us out of the world so that we might be sent back into the world with you gospel of love and grace. Form us into people who are tenderhearted and forgiving, imitating the sacrificial love of Christ. Let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

Hear, O God, the prayers of your faithful people, either silent or spoken aloud.

Be present at celebration tables, increasing the joy of those who gather for birthdays, weddings, and parties especially *Barbara and Jim Rife* with a wedding anniversary. Be present at empty tables, filling the hungry and the lonely with hope.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Eternal Christ, you have surrounded the church with a great cloud of witnesses to the faith you have given us. Help us to trust that one day we take our place with all the saints who ate the bread of life on earth and now share in your heavenly banquet. Let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

Receive our hopes and prayers, O God of mercy, for great is your faithfulness in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ. The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words. The assembly is seated.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set. After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands. Bread, wine, money, and other gifts may be brought forward.



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



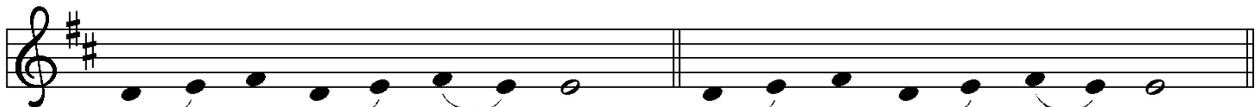
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

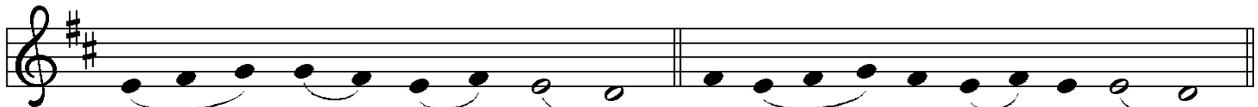
The assisting minister offers the following prayer

Let us pray... God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. **Amen.**

DIALOGUE



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



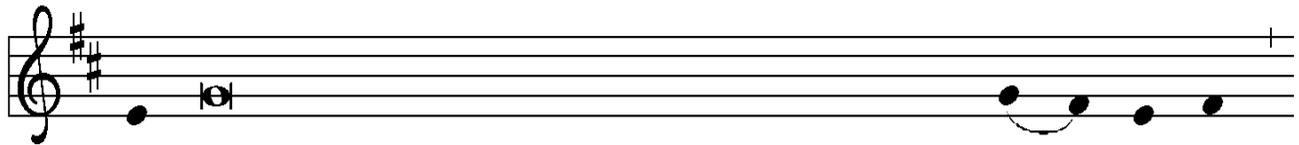
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



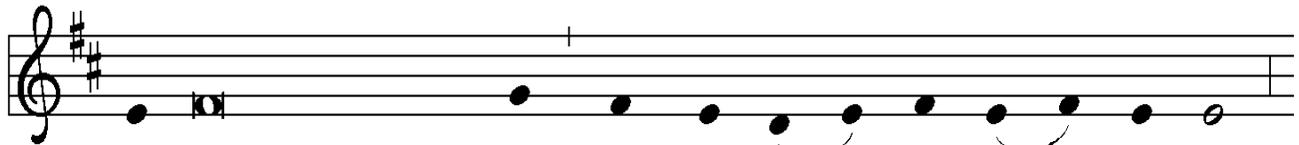
It is right to give our thanks and praise.



It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,



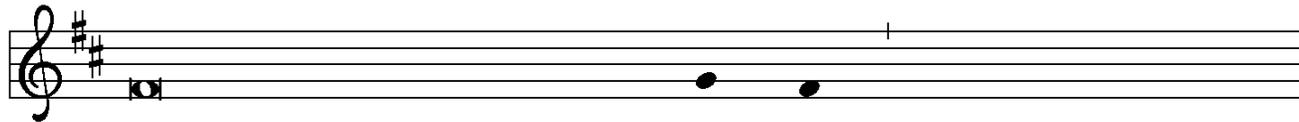
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,



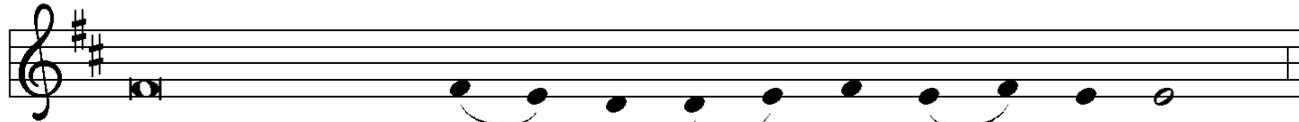
al-mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ;



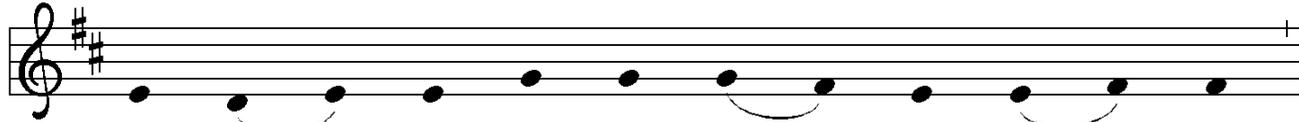
who on this day overcame death and the grave,



and by his glorious resur - rec - tion



opened to us the way of ev - er - last - ing life.



And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,



with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,



we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
 pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age: the promise to Israel, the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the words of the prophets; and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son, who proclaimed the good news in word and deed and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we who share in Christ's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light. **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus said, "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

After all have returned to their places, the assembly stands.

The presiding minister may say a table blessing; the assembly responds

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, bless you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The assisting minister offers the following prayer

Let us pray... Generous God, we thank you that at Wisdom's holy table you have fed us again with her bread and wine, the food of everlasting life. Send us, your servants, into all the land, that we may act wisely, seek the good of our neighbor, and call others to come to the feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

Almighty and merciful God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit bless, preserve, and keep you this day and forevermore.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brief announcements may be made, especially those related to the assembly's participation in God's mission in the world.

SENDING SONG: *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* (ELW 543)



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

Thanks be to God.

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PRAYER CONCERNS

Members

Walter Clive, repair of hip replacement

Arlys Johnson, recovering from broken femur surgery

Family & Friends

Chuck Boston, alcohol rehab

Shirley Buschman, transitioning to home

Kathy Dycus, in recovery in Carmel, IN

Vivian Fraizer, surgery for recurring colon cancer

Pat Hudson, treatment for leukemia

Brian Johnson, skin cancer (Joyce Gerwing's son)

Charlie Kayrouz, stage 4 cancer

Don Maas, rehab following gall bladder surgery

Guy McCauley, health issues

Bill Winn, health issues

*Please note, we reset the Family & Friends portion of prayer concerns each month, please let us know of anyone you would like to remain on or be placed on the list.

Shut-in

Edwina Andregg, Autumn Woods

Norma Boehme, Westminster Village

Dorothy Clerici, Lincoln Hills Health Center

Ken Steward, Westminster Village

Service agencies/programs/special needs

CLM

Eric Hall Foundation

Members of our Armed Forces at home and abroad

Members of Faith who have lost jobs and are seeking employment

Lapsed members and visitors seeking a church home

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

Families affected by tornados in IN and KY

Farmers affected by the drought

Last Week at Faith

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| Current Offering | \$3,517.00 | Worship attendance | 71 |
| Other Offering | 50.00 | Nursery attendance | 1 |
| Total Offering | \$3,567.00 | Total attendance | 72 |

We need \$3,226 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 God's blessings.

SERVING THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

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|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Pastor | Pastor Scott Meier |
| Assistant | |
| Organist | Barb Brewster |
| Acolyte/Crucifer | Youth |
| Altar Guild | Barb Brewster |
| Greeters | |
| Ushers | Brent and Bev Haire |
| Audio | Travis Arbuckle |
| Nursery | Lisa Peter |
| Social | |
| Financial Assistant | Scott Rife |

SERVING NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP

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| Pastor | Pastor Scott Meier |
| Assistant | Carol Taylor |
| Organist | Barb Brewster |
| Acolyte/Crucifer | Youth |
| Altar Guild | Barb Brewster |
| Greeters | Dick and Virginia Klemens |
| Ushers | Brent and Bev Haire |
| Audio | Travis Arbuckle |
| Nursery | Lisa Peter |
| Social | |
| Financial Assistant | Dan Diekhoff |

Scripture Readings for next week: Proverbs 9: 1-6; Psalm 34: 9-14; Ephesians 5: 15-20; John 6: 51-58.