



**The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 1, 2013**

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FAITHFUL LUTHERANS SENT BY CHRIST TO SERVE GOD'S CHILDREN

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The flowers on the altar are given today to the glory of God by Jane Lakes.
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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. There is a nursery available for those who need it.

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Events/Activities This Week around Faith:

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| Today | 9:15am | Sunday School | Thu. 9/5 | 9:30am | WCS |
| | 10:30am | Worship | | 1:00pm | Bible Study |
| Mon. 9/2 | LABOR DAY | | Fri. 9/6 | 7:00pm | Concert in the Park |
| Tue. 9/3 | 9:30am | WCS | Sun 9/8 | 9:15am | Sunday School |
| | 1:00pm | Staff Mtg | | 10:30am | Worship |
| | | | | 11:30am | Dinner/Prsntation |
| | | | | 1:00pm | SCC Youth@Taylors |

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Announcements

If you are looking for a way to contribute to those who are suffering in Moore, OK from the deadly F-5 tornado, you may send your gift to Lutheran Disaster Response, 39330 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694-9300 or using a credit card over the phone at 1-800-638-3522. Because LDR is a part of the ELCA, all overhead costs are covered by our Synod's benevolence giving. Therefore, 100% of your contribution goes directly to respond to those victims who are suffering. If you would like to contribute to the 11 Lutheran families that were wiped out by the storm, the church address is Trinity Lutheran Church, 5701 S. May Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73119 Pastor Roger Bruns.

Remember to sign up to bake or help sell for the Friday Concerts in the Park. The OWLS can really use your help. Thanks

Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 8, 2013. A special presentation will be held after a pot-luck lunch so that we might learn about Kids for Hunger, a project our Council has recommended that we participate in as a part of the God's Work, Our Hands initiative from the ELCA.

SCC youth will have their annual swimming and planning party at Taylors beginning at 1pm on Sunday September 8, 2013.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God:
the only Sovereign, who dwells in light;
Christ Jesus, who came to save sinners;
the Holy Spirit, who lives within us.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of overflowing grace,
we come to you with repentant hearts.
Forgive us for shallow thankfulness.
Forgive us for passing by the ones in need.
Forgive us for setting our hopes on fleeting treasures.
Forgive us our neglect and thoughtlessness.
Bring us home from the wilderness of sin,
and strengthen us to serve you
in all that we do and say;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

There is joy in heaven over every sinner who repents.
By the grace of God in + Christ Jesus,
who gave himself up for us all,
your sins are forgiven and you are made free.
Rejoice with the angels and with one another!
We are home in God's mercy, now and forever.
Amen.

GATHERING SONG: *Gather Us In* (ELW 532)



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the
 Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty, gath - er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the
 Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath - er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
 bread that is you; nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,

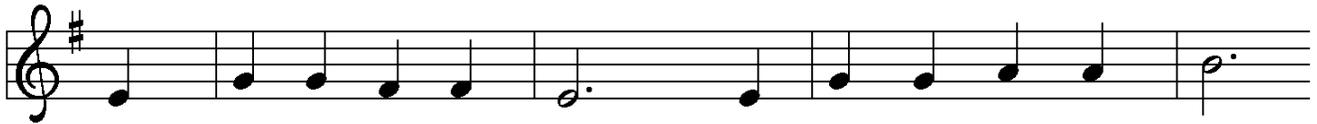


we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

GREETING

Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray....O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Proverbs 25:6–7

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; ⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 112

The Psalm for the day is sung.

¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who | fear the LORD
and have great delight in | God's commandments!

²**Their descendants will be mighty | in the land;
the generation of the upright | will be blessed.**

³Wealth and riches will be | in their house,
and their righteousness will | last forever.

⁴**Light shines in the darkness | for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full | of compassion.**

⁵It is good for them to be gener- | ous in lending
and to manage their af- | fairs with justice.

⁶**For they will nev- | er be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlast- | ing remembrance.**

⁷They will not be afraid of any | evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast, trusting | in the LORD.

⁸**Their heart is established and | will not shrink,
until they see their desire up- | on their enemies.**

⁹They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness
stands | fast forever;

they will hold up their | head with honor.

**The wicked will see it and be angry;
they will gnash their teeth and¹ pine away;
the desires of the wick-¹ ed will perish.**

SECOND READING: Hebrews 13:1–8, 15–16

Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers.

⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." ⁶So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, when shall I come to thee?
 2 O hap - py har - bor of the saints, O sweet and pleas - ant soil!
 3 Thy gar - dens and thy gal - lant walks con - tin - ual - ly are green;
 4 There trees for - ev - er - more bear fruit and ev - er - more do spring;
 5 Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, God grant that I may see

When shall my sor - rows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?
 In thee no sor - row may be found, no grief, no care, no toil.
 there grow such sweet and pleas - ant flow'rs as no - where else are seen.
 there ev - er - more the an - gels sit and ev - er - more do sing.
 thine end - less joy, and of the same par - tak - er ev - er be!

BLESSINGS FOR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Let us pray for all who are beginning this new pre-school year, that both students and teachers will be blessed in their academic endeavors.

Almighty God, you give wisdom and knowledge. Grant teachers the gift of joy and insight, and students the gift of diligence and openness, that all may grow in what is good and honest and true. Support all who teach and all who learn, that together we may know and follow your ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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 the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. *A brief silence.*

O wise and wonderful God, continually turn the hearts of your people back to you. Mold the church to be your gracious, merciful, and righteous presence in the world. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Fill all banquet tables with the bounty that you raise up in your creation. Feed all people with food that will sustain them, even as you feed them with your compassion. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Send your Spirit of humility to the halls of legislation, governance, and justice in every land. Stir up in leaders and citizens a willingness to serve, and let your peace reign. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Raise up people who will extend your hospitality to those in prisons, in hospitals, and in situations of abuse and illness *especially* Patti Smith Anne Steaban, John Taylor, Beth Wright, Dennis Yellina, Megan Bartram, Liz Booker, William Cox, Betty Decker, Gwen Doering, Dorissa Falk, Sally Gettlefinger, Linda Henry, Fran Heuton, Ronnie Heuton, Vicky Kasserman, Phil Lakes, Shelly Marshall, Dick Martin, Dodie McEuen, Jennifer Mitchell, Alyssa Paro, Richard Peter, J C Richardson, Angela Rutledge, Douglas Sagstetter, Karen Sackstader, Ken Walker. Give to all who suffer your lasting comfort. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Inspire contentment in all who have employment; grant your provision to those who are unemployed or underemployed. Create new opportunities for all to earn their livelihood. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

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 Kathy Farmer, Megan Fitzpatrick, Bev Haire, Justin Hall, Molly Higgenbotham, Patti Smith and Linda Woehrle with birthdays and Don and Bonnie Walker with an anniversary this week. Be present at empty tables, filling the hungry and the lonely with hope. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Remembering the saints who pointed us to Christ in the past, we beg for his presence among us today, while we long for the day when he will make all things new. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Into your hands, O Holy One, we entrust all for whom we pray, confident in your abundant and abiding mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

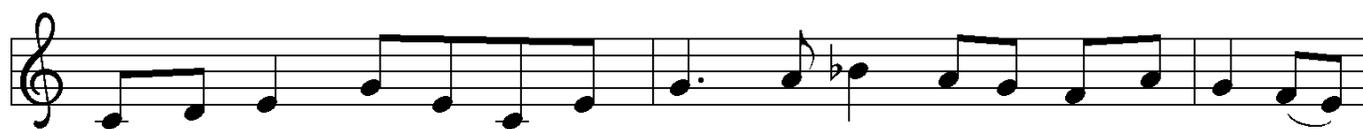
PEACE

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....Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. **Amen.**

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also 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 duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.

You are most holy,
and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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 ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints. To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

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

Take hold of the life that really is life. Come, take your place at the table.

COMMUNION



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Communion will be distributed by table. All baptized Christians are invited to participate in communion. If you do not wish to consume, you may come forward for a blessing. The usher will direct you to the front. Come forward and kneel if you are able at the altar rail. The pastor will hand you the bread, saying, the body of Christ, given for you. Take the bread and eat. The assistant will offer you a small cup from the tray, saying, the blood of Christ, shed for you. Take either wine (dark) or grape juice(light) and drink. When you have finished, please return to your pew for prayer and reflection. When all have communed, the pastor continues:

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **AMEN**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The assisting minister offers the following prayer:

Let us pray... We come again to you, O God, giving you thanks that in this feast of mercy you have embraced us and healed us, making us one in the body of Christ. Go with us on our way. Equip us for every good work, that we may continue to give you thanks by embracing others with mercy and healing; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

God Almighty send you light and truth to keep you all the days of your life. The hand of God protect you; the holy angels accompany you; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and forever. **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. Remember the poor. **Thanks be to God.**

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PRAYER CONCERNS

Members

Patti Smith, recovering from foot surgery
 Anne Steaban, recovering from heart attack
 John Taylor, health concerns
 Beth Wright, recovering from thyroid surgery
 Dennis Yellina, brain cancer

Family & Friends

Megan Bartram, health issues

Liz Booker, breast cancer treatments

William "Happy" Cox, treatment for hepatitis C

Betty Decker, health issues

Gwen Doering, stage 4 cancer chemo treatment

Doriss Falk, undergoing tests

Sally Gettlefinger, health issues

Linda Henry, pancreatic cancer treatment and surgery

Fran Heuton, health issues

Ronnie Heuton, bladder cancer

Vicky Kasserman, bone marrow cancer

Phil Lakes, recovering from stroke and heart condition

Shelly Marshall, breast cancer surgery

Dick Martin, recovering from surgery

Dotie McEuen, recovering from a fall

Jennifer Mitchell, breast cancer

Alyssa Paro, treatment for breast cancer

Richard Peter, health issues

J C Richardson, health concerns

Angela Rutledge, heart attack

Douglas Sagstetter, Hodgkins lymphoma

Karen Sackstader, health concerns

Ken Walker, cancer of the tongue

*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

Walter Clive, at home

Norma Boehme, Westminster Village

Ken Steward, Westminster Village

Dorothy Clerici, Lincoln Hills Health Center

Don Smith, Windsor Ridge

Service agencies/programs/special needs

CLM

Members of Faith who have lost jobs and are seeking employment

Lapsed members and visitors seeking a church home

Members of our Armed Forces at home and abroad

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

Eric Hall Foundation

This Week at Faith

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| Current Offering | \$2,858.00 | Worship attendance | 67 |
| Other Offering | .00 | Nursery attendance | 2 |
| Total Offering | \$2,858.00 | Total attendance | 69 |

We need \$3,596 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 | Scott Meier |
| Assistant | Sylvia Scott |
| Organist | Barb Brewster |
| Children's Church | Kristina Peter |
| Acolyte | Aliyah Vogler |
| Altar Guild | Jane Lakes |
| Greeters | Arlys/Dennis Johnson |
| Ushers | Rick/Terri Barr |
| Audio | Dennis Gardner |
| Nursery | Lisa Peter |
| Social | Arlys/Dennis Johnson |
| Financial Assistant | |
| Ambassador | Lyle Gernand |

SERVING NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP

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|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Pastor | Scott Meier |
| Assistant | Kate Blough |
| Organist | Barb Brewster |
| Children's Church | Sandy Neathamer |
| Acolyte | |
| Altar Guild | Jane Lakes |
| Greeters | Brent/Bev Haire |
| Ushers | Scott/Veronica Rife |
| Audio | Dennis Gardner |
| Nursery | Lisa Peter |
| Social | Pot-Luck and Program |
| Financial Assistant | |
| Ambassador | Jim/Barb Rife |

Scripture Readings for next week: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 1; Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33