



**The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 29, 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 Scott and Veronica Rife in honor of Scott and Barbara Rife's birthdays

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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. 10/3 | 9:30am | WCS |
| | 10:30am | Worship | | 1:00pm | Bible Study |
| Tue. 10/1 | 9:15am | WCS | Sat. 9/28 | 11:00am | WELCA Tea |
| | 1:00pm | Staff Mtg. | Sun 9/29 | 9:15am | Sunday School |
| Wed. 10/2 | 7:00pm | Confirmation | | 10:30am | Worship |
| | | | | 3:30pm | Girl Scouts |

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Announcements

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: *Lord, Be Glorified* (ELW 744)

1 In my life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;
 2 In our song, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;
 3 In your church, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;
 4 In your world, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;

in my life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
 in our song, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
 in your church, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
 in your world, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord

Lord, have mercy

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, have mercy

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us, you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. AMEN

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray....O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Amos 6:1a, 4–7

^aAlas for those who are at ease in Zion,

and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria, ⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,

and lounge on their couches,

and eat lambs from the flock,

and calves from the stall;

⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,

and like David improvise on instruments of music;

⁶who drink wine from bowls,

and anoint themselves with the finest oils,

but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,

and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.\

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 146

The Psalm for the day is spoken.

¹Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

²**I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

³Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.

⁴**When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.**

⁵Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the LORD their God;

⁶**who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;**

⁷who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. The LORD sets the captive free.

⁸**The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.**

⁹The LORD cares for the stranger; the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

¹⁰**The LORD shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 6:6–19

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the

GOSPEL: Luke 16:19–31

The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Listen as Jesus tells a parable in which the poor one is "lifted up" and the rich one is "sent away empty." Jesus makes it clear that this ethic of merciful reversal is not new but is as old as Moses and the prophets.

The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON *Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Lord, I Lift Your Name on High* (ELW 857)

Lord, I lift your name on High;

Lord, I love to sing your praises.

I'm so glad you're in my life.

I'm so glad you came to save us.

You came from heaven to earth to show the way

From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay.

From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;

Lord I lift your name on high.

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.*

Holy and just God, awaken the people of your church from our self-serving behavior. Stir us to advocate for and to serve people who are most in need of your mercy. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Work with food producers, textile workers, scientists, and others who harvest resources from creation to be made into usable products. Feed and clothe all people through their efforts. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

Confound our ways of living that do not embrace the life that you have shown us in Christ. Execute justice on behalf of all people who are cast aside by the world. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Attend to those who experience neglect or scorn in their communities because of age, disease, or physical ability. Lift up people who feel less than whole in any way *especially* Patti Smith, Anne Steaban, John Taylor, Beth Wright, Dennis Yellina, Ron Barr, Megan Bartram, Liz Booker, William Cox, Betty Decker, Gwen Doering, Dorissa Falk, Sally Gettelfinger, Fred Horlander, Linda Henry, Fran Heuton, Ronnie Heuton, Chris Kinnett, Kathy Kinnett, Phil Lakes, Shelly Marshall, Dick Martin, Dodie McEuen, Jennifer Mitchell, Alyssa Paro, Richard Peter, J C Richardson, Angela Rutledge, Douglas Sagstetter, Karen Sackstader, Theresa Sizen, Ken Walker. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Establish and encourage partnerships among congregations, food banks, clothing closets, and other service ministries. Strengthen the work we do together for others. 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 Walter Clive, Carrie McCoy and Elaine Thoms with birthdays this week. Be present at empty tables, filling the hungry and the lonely with hope. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Living God, giving thanks for all messengers who have made your salvation known (*especially Michael and all angels, whom we commemorate today*), we pray you to shape our lives, that we may make you known to others. 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. Assembly song or other music may accompany or follow the gathering of the offering. After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands. Bread, wine, money, and other gifts may be brought forward.

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.

PREFACE

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:

CONGREGATIONAL SONG: *You Are Holy* (ELW 525)



Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer
 You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



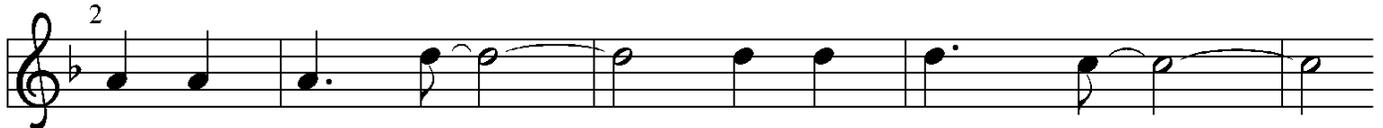
än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.
 than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,
 Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.
 to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.



Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,
 You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!
 you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,
 Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!



ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.
 Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

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 risen. Christ will come again,

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. **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

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

COMMUNION

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world, grant us your peace

All are invited to come to the table. If you do not wish to receive the elements, please fold your arms across your chest and pastor will offer a blessing to you. Distribution of communion is by intinction. As the ushers direct you to the front, receive the bread from the pastor. DO NOT EAT IT. Take the bread to the silver chalice for wine or the ceramic chalice for grape juice and dip it in then eat the dipped bread. Return to your pew via the side aisles for prayer and meditation. After all have communed the pastor says the following:

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. Affirmation of Christian Vocation may be used here.

SENDING SONG: *The Lord Now Sends Us Forth* (ELW 538)



En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta es - tá
The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,

pa - ra cons - truir con él un mun - do fra - ter - nal.
to make of all the earth a bet - ter place to live.

Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar
The an - gels are not sent in - to our world of pain

un mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do me - jor;
to do what we were meant to do in Je - sus' name;

me ha to - ca - do a mí ha - cer - lo rea - li - dad.
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.

A - yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will to - day.

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 colon cancer surgery

John Taylor, health concerns

Beth Wright, recovering from thyroid treatments

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 Gettelfinger, health issues

Fran Heuton, health issues

Ronnie Heuton, bladder cancer

Fred Horlander, recovering from heart bypass surgery

Chris Kinnett, recovering from heart bypass surgery

Kathy Kinnett, broken toe

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

Theresa Sizen, health issues, asthma

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 Rehab

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

Eric Hall Foundation

This Week at Faith

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| Current Offering | \$2,625.87 | Worship attendance | 63 |
| Other Offering | 25.00 | Nursery attendance | 1 |
| Total Offering | \$2,650.87 | Total attendance | 64 |

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 | Bev Haire |
| Organist | |
| Children's Church | Kate Blough |
| Acolyte | Aliyah Vogler |
| Altar Guild | Jane Lakes |
| Greeters | Jim/Nancy Vogt |
| Ushers | Scott/Veronica Rife |
| Audio | Dennis Gardner |
| Nursery | Lisa Peter |
| Social | |
| Financial Assistant | Kate Blough |
| Ambassador | |

SERVING NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP

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|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Pastor | Scott Meier |
| Assistant | Lyle Gernand |
| Organist | Barb Brewster |
| Children's Church | Kristina Peter |
| Acolyte | |
| Altar Guild | Arlys Johnson |
| Greeters | |
| Ushers | Brent/Beverly Haire |
| Audio | Dennis Gardner |
| Nursery | Lisa Peter |
| Social | |
| Financial Assistant | Rick Barr |
| Ambassador | Jim/Barbara Rife |

Scripture Readings for next week: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4; Psalm 37:1-9; 2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10