

The Third Sunday of Epiphany

January 26, 2014

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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 Barb Brewster and Charlotte Davis in memory of Betty Condra and Robert Davis

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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. 1/30 | 9:15am | WCS. |
| | 10:30am | Worship | | 1:00pm | Bible Study |
| | 3:00pm | Girl Scouts | Sat. 2/1 | 10:00am | Council Retr. |
| Mon. 1/27 | 7:00pm | Evangelism | Sun. 1/19 | 9:15am | S.S. |
| Tue. 1/28 | 9:15am | WCS | | 10:30am | Worship |
| Wed. 1/29 | 7:00pm | Confirmation | | | |

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Announcements

If you designate Thrivent Choice dollars to Faith Lutheran Church, please contact Dennis Johnson if you want those dollars to go somewhere other than the General Fund. He will need the designation and the amount. Thank you for your help.

The newly elected Church Council will meet in retreat here at the church on Saturday, February 1, 2014 at 10:00am.

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,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

Let us come into the light of Christ, confessing our need for God's mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy and faithful God,
we so often choose our own way instead of yours.
We think we can evade your commandments.
We have spoken in ways that kill,
strayed with our hearts,
betrayed friends, and hated enemies.
We have broken our promises.
Search us deeply and create us anew.
Lift the heavy burden of our sin
and free us to follow your way of life.
Amen.

"Call upon me," says the Lord, "and I will answer."
Our God has come among us to loose every bond
and set us free from all that weighs us down.
Receive the forgiveness of all your sins
in the name of + Jesus Christ,
our crucified and risen Savior. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG: *Will You Come and Follow Me* (ELW 798)



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

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.**

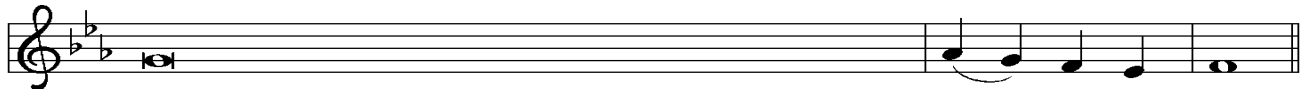
KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



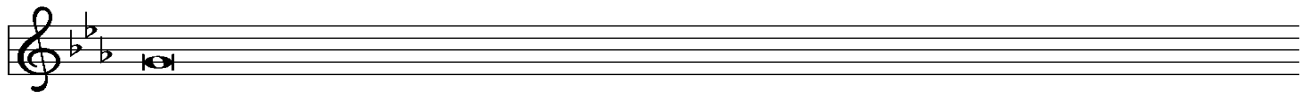
Lord, have mer - cy.



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



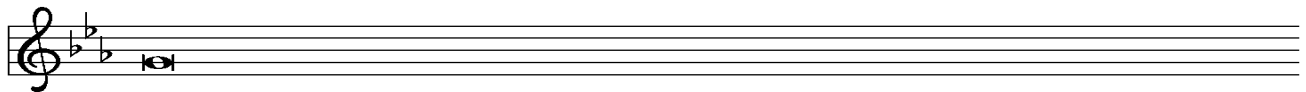
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.

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....Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 9:1–4

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. ²The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

those who lived in a land of deep darkness —
on them light has shined.

³You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

⁴For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 27:1, 4–9

The Psalm for the day is sung.

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then [|] shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I [|] be afraid?

⁴**One thing I ask of the LORD; one [|] thing I seek;**
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God [|] in the
temple.

⁵For in the day of trouble God will [|] give me shelter,
hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high up-
on a rock.

**⁶Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies ¹ who surround me.
Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary,
sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music ¹ to the LORD.**

**⁷Hear my voice, O LORD, ¹ when I call;
have mercy on me and ¹ answer me.**

**⁸My heart speaks your message— ¹ "Seek my face."
Your face, O LORD, ¹ I will seek.**

**⁹Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your ser- ¹ vant in anger.
Cast me not away—you have been my helper;
forsake me not, O God of ¹ my salvation.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:10–18

¹⁰Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose.

¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.)

¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL: Matthew 4:12–23

The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Listen to Matthew as he tells us as Jesus begins his public ministry shortly after John the Baptist is imprisoned by Herod. He proclaims the nearness of God's reign and calls four fishermen to be his first disciples.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY: O Master, Let Me Walk with You (ELW 818)

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with you in low - ly
 2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,
 3 Teach me your pa - tience; share with me a clos - er,
 4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the

paths of ser - vice true; tell me your se - cret;
 win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward
 dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith
 fu - ture's broad - 'ning way, in peace that on - ly

help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
 feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
 sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,
 you can give; with you, O Mas - ter, let me live.

CREED

We believe in one God,
 the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is, seen and unseen.

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Guided by the light of Christ, who has been made known to the nations,
we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

Almighty and merciful God, we pray for Christ's church on earth and for those who proclaim the good news of the kingdom, that all divisions cease, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For sky and sea, fish and bird, and the beauty of the whole creation, that God's goodness be seen through our everyday surroundings, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For our political and social leaders, that they use their power justly, and for all the nations of the world, that peace and understanding prevail, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For all who call upon the Lord for help: those dealing with gloom or anguish, those who are afraid, those suffering from malaria or other illnesses *especially* Anne Steaban, Fred Steaban, John Taylor, Beth Wright, Dennis Yellina, Megan Bartram, Liz Booker, Gwen Doering, J.J. Edrington, Norma Hamilton, Bruce Harding, Martha Harding, Phil Lakes, Richard Lewman, Marshall Lucas, Shelly Marshall, Jennifer Mitchell, Wanda Noble, Richard Peter, J C Richardson, Angela Rutledge, Douglas Sagstetter, Karen Sackstader, Theresa Sizen, Ken Walker, Jim Wheat, Bill Winn, Brett Wilson, and for those who seek shelter, that God provide them with compassionate caregivers and advocates, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For the followers of Jesus Christ gathered here, that we be guided by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the cross as the power of God, 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 Michelle Campbell and Dorothy Clerici with birthdays and Edie and Ron Woodward and Jim and Nancy Falkenstein with anniversaries this week. Be present at empty tables, filling the hungry and the lonely with hope. Let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

In thanksgiving for the faithful departed *especially the biblical missionaries Timothy, Titus, and Silas*, that their witness to the spread of God's word inspire us in our doings, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

Radiant God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who has made his dwelling among us, your Son, 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 (#181-188). 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
 bless - ing. 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 all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

DIALOGUE


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

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

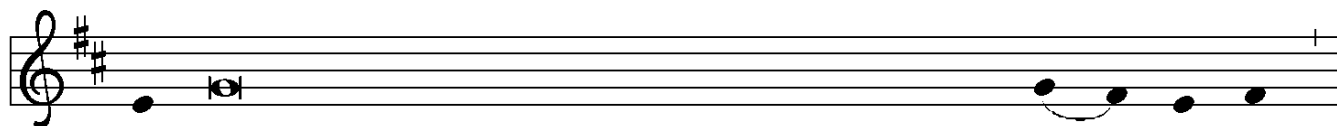
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE




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



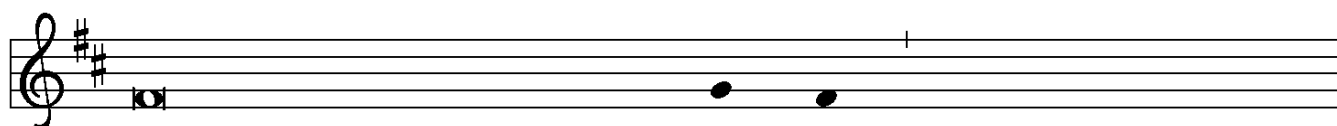
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,



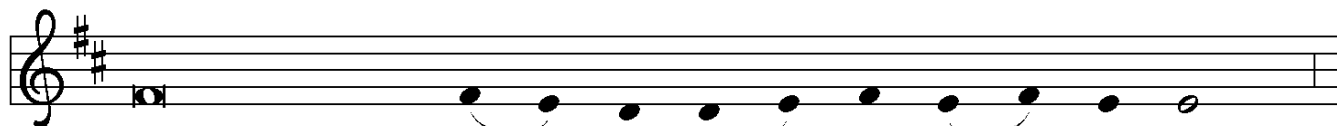
al-mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ;



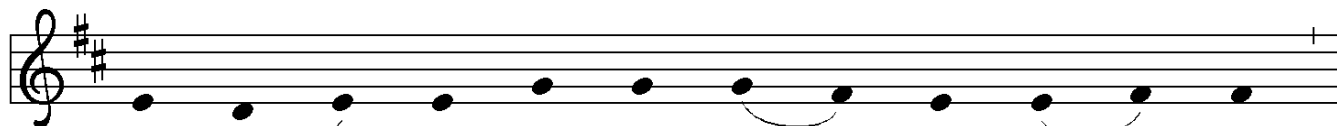
who on this day overcame death and the grave,



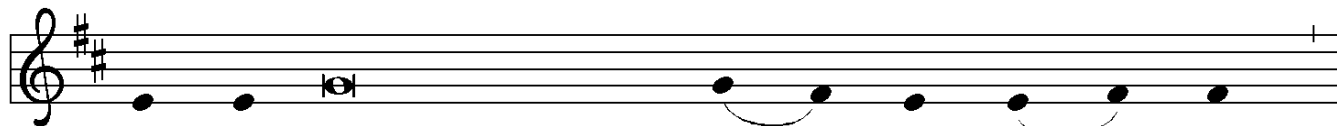
and by his glorious resur - rec - tion




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, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

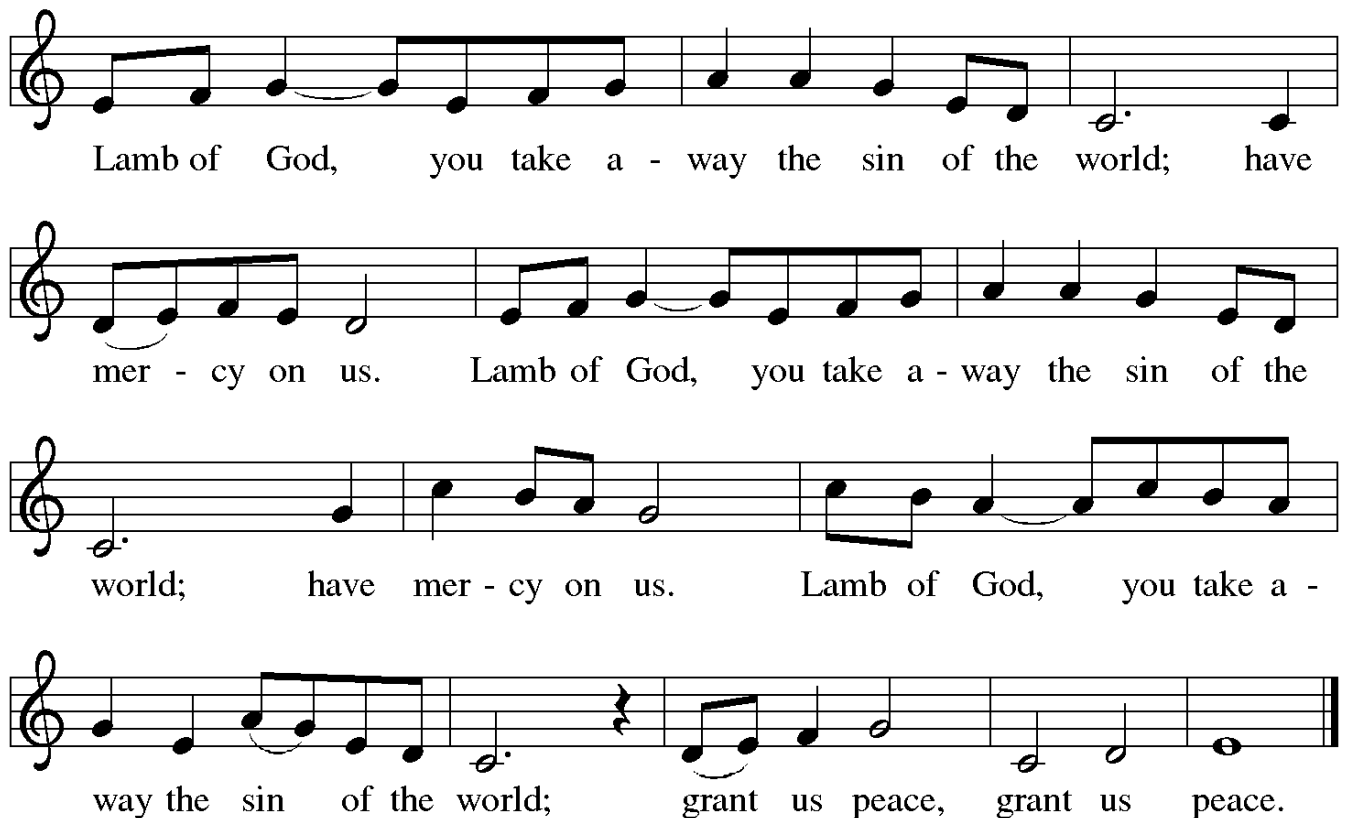
**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!
Blessed are all who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

COMMUNION



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 SONG: *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* (ELW 490)



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and trem - bling stand;
2 King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on earth he stood,
3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van-guard on the way;
4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph, cher - u - bim with sleep - less eye,



pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand
Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture, in the bod - y and the blood,
as the Light of light, de - scend - ing from the realms of end - less day,
veil their fac - es to the pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry:



Christ our God to earth de - scend - ing comes full hom - age to de - mand.
he will give to all the faith - ful his own self for heav' n - ly food.
comes, the pow'rs of hell to van - quish, as the dark - ness clears a - way.
"Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Communion will be distributed by intinction. Please come forward and receive the wafer from the pastor. DO NOT EAT THE WAFER. Dip the wafer in the wine (silver Chalice) or the grape juice (ceramic Chalice). Then eat the wafer and return to your pew.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The assisting minister offers the following prayer:

Let us pray... Lord, it is good for us to be here, for we have tasted your glory in this holy meal. Continue your goodness as we go out from here. Open our eyes to see your face shining in every person, and send us to be your servants in every place, for you are the life and light of all, both 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.

BLESSING

May the God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG: *Will You Come and Follow Me* (ELW 798)

4 "Will you love the you you hide
if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound
in you and you in me?"

5 Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is your light.

Thanks be to God.

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PRAYER CONCERNS

Members

Anne Steaban, recovering from colon cancer surgery

Fred Steaban, rehabbing from back 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

Gwen Doering, stage 4 cancer chemo treatment

J.J. Edrington, health issues

Norma Hamilton, cancer treatment

Bruce Harding, health issues

Martha Harding, health issues

Phil Lakes, recovering from stroke and heart condition

Richard Lewman, bone cancer

Marshall Lucas, recovering from surgery

Shelly Marshall, breast cancer surgery

Jennifer Mitchell, breast cancer

Wanda Noble, serious complications from surgery

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

Jim Wheat, cancer of the kidney

Bill Winn, dementia

Brent Wilson, colon cancer

*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

Don Smith, Windsor Ridge

Norma Boehme, Westminster Village

Walter Clive, at home

Dorothy Clerici, Lincoln Hills Health Center

Service agencies/programs/special needs

CLM

Eric Hall Foundation

Members of our Armed Forces

This Week at Faith

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| Current Offering | \$2,714.50 | Worship attendance | 54 |
| Other Offering | 225.00 | Nursery attendance | 6 |
| Total Offering | \$2,939.50 | Total attendance | 60 |

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 | Alyiah Vogler |
| Organist | Barb Brewster |
| Children's Church | Kate Blough |
| Acolyte | |
| Altar Guild | Bev Haire |
| Greeters | Barb Campbell |
| Ushers | Bill/Kathy Holman |
| Audio | Rick Barr |
| Nursery | Lisa Peter |
| Social | |
| Financial Assistant | Rick Barr |
| Ambassador | |

SERVING NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP

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|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Pastor | Scott Meier |
| Assistant | |
| Organist | Barb Brewster |
| Children's Church | Kristina Peter |
| Acolyte | |
| Altar Guild | Jane Lakes |
| Greeters | Brent/Bev Haire |
| Ushers | Bill /Kathy Holman |
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Scripture Readings for next week: Micah 6: 1-8; Psalm 15; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5: 1-12