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MAY 11, 2025

9:30 AM



A Psalm of David

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. ² He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters. ³ He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

⁴ Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

– Psalm 23

ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TODAY

In Honor of Ward and Susan Irvin's 50th Wedding Anniversary

At the beginning of the service all are asked to sign the attendance card located in the pew racks and place them in the offering plate during the collection. So that we may better serve you and send you more information, guests, please print your address and telephone number on this card.

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THIS WEEK AT FAITH

Elder on Duty	4/27/2025	5/4/2025	5/11/2025	5/18/2025	5/25/2025
9:30 am Worship	Russ Couch Glenn Jones	Vinny Caracci Steve Buchtrup	Ward Irvin Greg Sinatra	Bill Smith Tim Lambert	Vinny Caracci Steve Buchtrup
Readers	4/6/2025	5/4/2025	5/11/2025	5/18/2025	5/25/2025
9:30 am	Karen Cerny	David Barnett	Greg Schaag	Ron Shultheiss	Laura Calfee

WE BELIEVE GOD'S WORD... ON THE LORD'S SUPPER

We believe that in the Sacrament of Holy Communion Christ gives His true body and blood under the form of bread and wine for the assurance of the forgiveness of sins. We believe Jesus is truly present in the Sacrament, and as we come in faith to receive it, we receive Him. The Bible teaches that those who eat without recognizing the Lord's body, eat and drink judgment on themselves (*1 Corinthians 11:27-29*). Those baptized and believing Christians who share our confession of faith are welcome guests at the Altar. The Pastor would be glad to answer any questions relating to our faith or practice. Anyone not confirmed or communing is welcome to come and receive a blessing.

Also Happening This Week

Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Create in Me - Ladies' Crafts

Wednesday, 8:30 and 9:15 a.m. Chapels: School and ECE

Our Discipleship in the past weeks:

Worship	4/27/2025	5/4/2025	5/11/2025	5/18/2025	5/25/2025
9:30 am	154/129	128/124			
Sunday School	14	32			
Monthly Budget	\$61,000	\$51,100	\$51,100	\$51,100	\$51,100
Weekly Giving	\$7628	\$8,569	\$	\$	
On-Line Giving	\$2,717	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Giving MTD	\$52,176	\$8,569	\$	\$	

AS WE GATHER “Can you hear me now?” The risen Good Shepherd gives us renewed clarity today. The Day is coming when everyone will hear His voice. By then, it will be too late to respond to that Voice in repentant faith. So, our daily mission is to give clarity to one voice and to one voice alone - the Risen Christ. When the storms of life are raging, when the doctor says, “*Sorry*,” when people face the crossroads of life, can they hear Jesus, their Good Shepherd and follow Him? Only when the answer is YES for the entire world can we feel content. Until then, keep asking, “Can you hear the Good Shepherd?”

OPENING HYMN

The Day of Resurrection

LSB 478

- ♩ 1. The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad,
The passover of gladness, The passover of God.
From death to life eternal, From sin's dominion free,
Our Christ has brought us over With hymns of victory.
2. Let hearts be purged of evil That we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal Of resurrection light
And, list'ning to His accents, May hear, so calm and plain,
His own “All hail!” and, hearing, May raise the victor strain.
3. Now let the heav'ns be joyful, Let earth its song begin,
Let all the world keep triumph And all that is therein.
Let all things, seen and unseen, Their notes of gladness blend;
For Christ the Lord has risen, Our joy that has no end!
4. All praise to God the Father, All praise to God the Son,
All praise to God the Spirit, Eternal Three in One!
Let all the ransomed number Fall down before the throne
And honor, pow'r, and glory Ascribe to God alone!

INVOCATION AND CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

LSB 151

In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

KYRIE

LSB 152

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.**

THIS IS THE FEAST

LSB 155

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Power, riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation.

Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.... (*The collect is prayed.*)

Amen.

FIRST READING

Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying,

“Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. “Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:22-30

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

✠ **Glory to You, O Lord.**

At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.” Jesus answered them, “I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name bear witness about me, but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father’s hand. I and the Father are one.”

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

✠ **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY

The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want

LSB 710

✠ **1. The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me The quiet waters by.**

**2. My soul He doth restore again And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness, E'en for His own name's sake.**

**3. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod And staff me comfort still.**

**4. My table Thou hast furnished In presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.**

**5. Goodness and mercy all my life Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house forevermore My dwelling place shall be.**

SERMON

“The Lamb, Our Shepherd”

“For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.” (Rev 7:17)

Having laid down your life as the Lamb of God, you arose to be our “Standing Shepherd”—relentlessly, tenderly, faithfully caring for us. Thank you for nourishing, feeding and resting us in green pastures of grace.

Because of your great love for us, we don't have everything we want, but we lack nothing we need. —Scotty Smith

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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THE 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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you! Amen.

*Please take a moment and share the Peace of the Lord with those around you.
We examine ourselves before partaking our Lord's Supper.*

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- ♪ 1. The strife is o'er, the battle done; Now is the victor's triumph won;
Now be the song of praise begun. Alleluia!
2. The pow'rs of death have done their worst, But Christ their legions hath dispersed.
Let shouts of holy joy outburst. Alleluia!
3. The three sad days have quickly sped, He rises glorious from the dead.
All glory to our risen Head! Alleluia!
4. He broke the age-bound chains of hell; The bars from heav'n's high portals fell.
Let hymns of praise His triumph tell. Alleluia!
5. Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee, From death's dread sting Thy servants free
That we may live and sing to Thee. Alleluia!
- Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

- ♪ 1. Savior, like a shepherd lead us; Much we need Your tender care.
In Your pleasant pastures feed us, For our use Your fold prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, You have bought us; we are Yours.
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2. We are Yours; in love befriend us, Be the guardian of our way;
Keep Your flock, from sin defend us, Seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear us children when we pray.
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3. You have promised to receive us, Poor and sinful though we be;
You have mercy to relieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Early let us turn to You.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Early let us turn to You.
4. Early let us seek Your favor, Early let us do Your will;
Blessed Lord and only Savior, With Your love our spirits fill.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, You have loved us, love us still.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, You have loved us, love us still.

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

All the Earth with Joy Is Sounding

LSB 462

♪ **2. Christ, the devil's might unwinding, Leaves behind His borrowed tomb.
Stronger He, the strong man binding, Takes, disarms his house of doom;
In the rout Casting out Pow'rs of darkness, sin, and doubt.**

**4. Praise the Lord, His reign commences, Reign of life and liberty—
Paschal Lamb, for our offenses, Slain and raised to set us free!
Evermore Bow before Christ, the Lord of Life adore!**

SENDING

Go in peace to serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God.**What's Ahead at Faith!**

May 18: Confirmation Sunday... Confirmands: Jeremiah Bass and Scarlett Walker

May 25: Memorial Day Weekend Church and School Offices Closed on Monday

June 8 (Pentecost): Pastor Jeff Jordan, RiverCliff, Circuit Visitor

June 15: Pastor Mark Buckert, Preaching

June 22: Pastor Mark Buckert, Preaching

June 29: Pastor Greg Walton, Preaching

The Elders will coordinate the Sunday morning worship schedule over the summer.

In addition to our one service, 9:30 a.m., please watch for Bible Study opportunities.

Pastoral Calls for Faith Members Nicholas Sinatra and Stephen Wareham!

We rejoice that God has blessed the Church with two new pastoral servants from Faith...

Nicholas Sinatra, son of Greg and Stacy Sinatra, has received a Divine Call into the Office of the Public Ministry to serve at Saint John Lutheran Church (305 Angie St, Sanborn, IA, 51248-1036), Iowa District West. Nicholas and his wife Joselyn will be with us in worship on June 8th! Stephen Wareham, son of Jon and Karrie Wareham, has also received a Divine Call into the Office of the Public Ministry to serve at Messiah Lutheran Church (500 Baytree Road, Valdosta, Georgia 31602), Florida - Georgia District. We are also pleased to welcome Stephen here at Faith on June 8th, before he begins his pastoral Call.

We celebrate with these two young men, members of Faith and graduates of Faith Lutheran School, that God has placed them into His Church to serve as pastors. And we look forward to greeting, congratulating, and praying the Lord's rich blessings on their ministries.