



# Faith Lutheran Church & School

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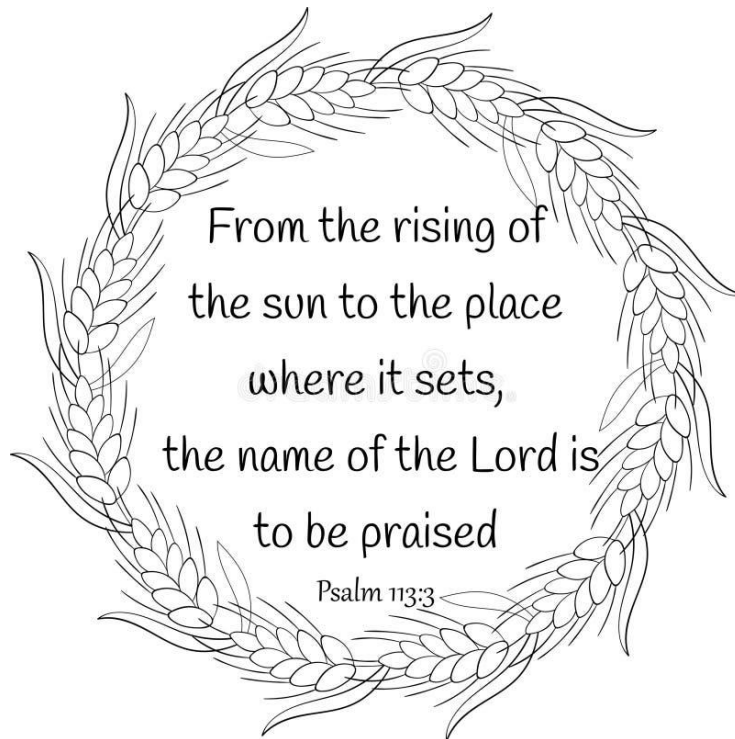
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Vaunda Noerenberg, Traditional Worship

Reid Stevens, Contemporary Worship

**SEPTEMBER 21, 2025**

**9:30 AM**



*Psalm 113:3*

Praise the Lord!

Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord!

Blessèd be the name of the Lord from this time forth and forevermore!

From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the Lord is to be praised!

The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens!

Who is like the Lord our God, who is seated on high, who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?

He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap,  
to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people.

He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children.

Praise the Lord!

## **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.

## **ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TODAY**

*TO THE GLORY OF GOD*

## **ATTENDANCE CARDS**

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.

## **SERVING THIS MONTH AT FAITH**

	9/7/2025	9/14/2025	9/21/2025	9/28/2025
Elders	Vinny Caracci Glenn Jones	Vinny Caracci Tim Lambert	Steve Buchtrup Russ Couch	Ward Irvin Bill Smith
Readers	Danette Smith	Russ Couch	Brennan Lambert	David Barnett
Ushers	Greg, Matthew, Jacob, Luke Sam Czerwonka	Steve Buchtrup, Mark Patterson, Reagan Gronsbell	David Barnett Brennan Lambert Greg Sinatra	Bryan Powell Dennis Cerny Herman Dean
Acolytes	Adam Cain Alex Bradshaw Adelaide Bradshaw	Eli Bradshaw Ryan Cain Adelaide Bradshaw	Scarlett Walker Jeremiah Bass Adelaide Bradshaw	Adam Cain Alex Bradshaw Adelaide Bradshaw

## **OUR DISCIPLESHIP IN THE PAST WEEKS:**

Worship	9/7/2025	9/14/2025	9/21/2025	9/28/2025
9:30 am	160/152	146/144		
Sunday School	92	102		
Monthly Budget	\$57,900	\$57,900	\$57,900	\$57,900
Weekly Giving	\$9,178	\$19,495	\$	\$
On-Line Giving	\$3,224	N/A	N/A	N/A
Giving MTD	\$12,402	\$31,897	\$	\$

## **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

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## WELCOME

### You Can't Serve Two Masters

In Luke chapters 16-18, Jesus teaches and tells a series of parables about the ways in which people rationalize their sinful behavior and compromise their convictions. He points out the hypocrisy that lives in the human heart and the ways we pretend to be holy before God while we also try to please man. To this double-mindedness Jesus declares, "No servant can serve two masters." (Luke 16:13). In pointing this out, Jesus shows us our sin. And through His life, death, and resurrection, He shows us that He is our Savior, who serves His Father and does His will. And the will of the Father is that we would be forgiven our sins and welcomed into His Kingdom forever through the cross of Christ. Only in this one true faith, can we be saved. We should neither trust in nor serve any other masters, but instead we should say, with Martin Luther, "Here I stand. I can do no other, so help me God. Amen."

*Please Stand*

### OPENING HYMN

Lord Of All Nations, Grant Me Grace

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- ♫ 1. Lord of all nations, grant me grace To love all people, ev'ry race;  
And in each person may I see My kindred, loved, redeemed by Thee.
2. Break down the wall that would divide Thy children, Lord, on ev'ry side.  
My neighbor's good let me pursue; Let Christian love bind warm and true.
3. Forgive me, Lord, where I have erred By loveless act and thoughtless word.  
Make me to see the wrong I do Will grieve my wounded Lord anew.
4. Give me Thy courage, Lord, to speak Whenever strong oppress the weak.  
Should I myself the victim be, Help me forgive, rememb'ring Thee.
5. With Thine own love may I be filled And by Thy Holy Spirit willed,  
That all I touch, where'er I be, May be divinely touched by Thee.

### INVOCATION AND CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

Let us now confess our sins to God, our Father.

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.**

*(Please take a moment of silence)*

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

O Lord, keep Your Church in Your perpetual mercy; and because without You we cannot but fall, preserve us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Please be Seated*

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Amos 8:4-7

Hear this, you who trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to an end, saying, "When will the new moon be over, that we may sell grain? And the Sabbath, that we may offer wheat for sale, that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal deceitfully with false balances, that we may buy the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and sell the chaff of the wheat?" The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: "Surely I will never forget any of their deeds."

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE**

1 Timothy 1:5-17

The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion, desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions. Now we know that the law is

good, if one uses it lawfully, understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers, the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, in accordance with the glorious gospel of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted. I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*(Please Stand)*

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE

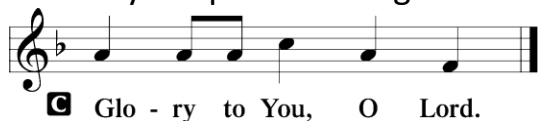
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## HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 16:1-15

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.

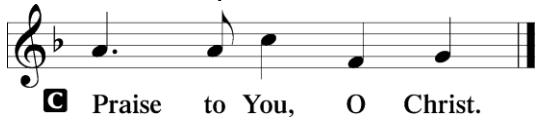


[Jesus] also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him,

‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings. “One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful in that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own? No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”

The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him. And he said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



*(Please be seated)*

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

### HYMN OF THE DAY

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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- ♪ 1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.
2. Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
3. To all life Thou givest—to both great and small—  
In all life Thou livest, the true Life of all;  
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree  
And wither and perish— but naught changes Thee.
4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;  
All laud we would render: O help us to see  
’Tis only the splendor of light that hides Thee.

*(Please Stand)*

## 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

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. *(A time of silence for personal prayer.)*

hear our prayer.

*(Please be seated)*

## COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

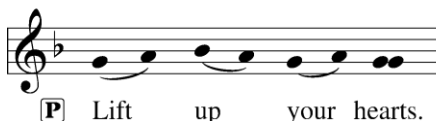
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*(Please Stand)*

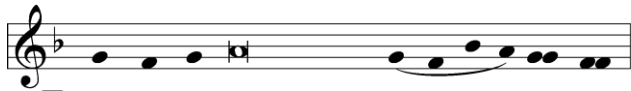
## PREFACE

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**C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS

LSB 161



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. 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.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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 INSTITUTION

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Amen.**

*(Please take a moment and share the Peace of the Lord with those around you)*

- ♪ 1. Preserve Your Word, O Savior, To us this latter day,  
And let Your kingdom flourish; Enlarge Your Church, we pray.  
O keep our faith from failing; Keep hope's bright star aglow.  
Let nothing from truth turn us While living here below.
2. Preserve, O Lord, Your honor, The bold blasphemer smite;  
Convince, convert, enlighten The souls in error's night.  
Reveal Your will, dear Savior, To all who dwell below,  
Great light of all the living, That all Your name may know.
3. Preserve, O Lord, Your Zion, Bought dearly with Your blood;  
Protect what You have chosen Against the hellish flood.  
Be always our defender When dangers gather round;  
When all the earth is crumbling, Safe may Your Church be found.
4. Preserve Your Word and preaching, The truth that makes us whole,  
The mirror of Your glory, The pow'r that saves the soul.  
Oh, may this living water, This dew of heav'nly grace,  
Sustain us while here living Until we see Your face.
5. Preserve in wave and tempest Your storm-tossed little flock;  
Assailed by wind and weather, May it endure each shock.  
Stand at the helm, our pilot, And set the course aright;  
Then we will reach the harbor In Your eternal light.

## Draw Near And Take The Body Of The Lord

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- ♪ 1. Draw near and take the body of the Lord,  
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured;  
Offered was He for greatest and for least,  
Himself the victim and Himself the priest.
2. He who His saints in this world rules and shields,  
To all believers life eternal yields;  
With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole,  
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
3. Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere,  
And take the pledges of salvation here.  
O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow  
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

♩ 1. Thy body, giv'n for me, O Savior,  
Thy blood which Thou for me didst shed,  
These are my life and strength forever,  
By them my hungry soul is fed. Refrain

Refrain: Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good!

2. With Thee, Lord, I am now united;  
I live in Thee and Thou in me.  
No sorrow fills my soul,  
delighted It finds its only joy in Thee. Refrain

3. Who can condemn me now?  
For surely The Lord is nigh, who justifies.  
No hell I fear, and thus securely  
With Jesus I to heaven rise. Refrain

4. Though death may threaten with disaster,  
It cannot rob me of my cheer;  
For He who is of death the master  
With aid and comfort e'er is near. Refrain

5. My heart has now become Thy dwelling,  
O blessèd, holy Trinity.  
With angels I, Thy praises telling,  
Shall live in joy eternally. Refrain

*(Please Stand)*

## **DISMISSAL AND POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **BENEDICTION**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

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

**Amen.**

♪ 1. Go, My children, with My blessing, Never alone.

Waking, sleeping, I am with you; You are My own.

In My love's baptismal river I have made you Mine forever.

Go, My children, with My blessing—You are My own.

2. Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.

Here you learned how much I love you, What I can cure.

Here you heard My dear Son's story; Here you touched Him, saw His glory.

Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.

3. Go, My children, fed and nourished, Closer to Me;

Grow in love and love by serving, Joyful and free.

Here My Spirit's power filled you; Here His tender comfort stilled you.

Go, My children, fed and nourished, Joyful and free.

4. I the Lord will bless and keep you And give you peace;

I the Lord will smile upon you And give you peace:

I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter, and Brother.

Go, My children; I will keep you And give you peace.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS (see back)**

## **PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE**

Lord God, You have called Your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go but only that Your hand is leading us and Your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ, Our Lord.

## **SENDING**

Go in peace to serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WE PRAY FOR ...

- Julia and Ben Nye and their newborn son, Joseph
- Rosina and Alex Wiedenmann and their newborn son, Luke.
- James Alberson and his wife Susan
- Cindy Kelley and Michelle Denney (daughters of Shirley DeVries)
- Oliver Barry
- Brittain Rebuck and her husband Josh
- GanneElyse Amelingmeier ("Jan Elyse AM-ling-meier")
- Timothy and Connie Mack (brother and sister-in-law of Karen Cerny)
- Alicia and Family

**Come, Follow Me** - We're staying on the same page in God's Word throughout this year. Pick up your family devotional guide today and join us each week after worship for a brief time of study and encouragement.

**Week 4 (Sept. 21-22): The First Christmas** (pp 27-33)

**Faith School Prayers** - The School Prayers group will meet each second Tuesday of the month at 8:40 am in the Conference room next to Pastor's office. The first day was September 9th at 8:40 am for our prayers and which classrooms we visit that morning. Additional dates are: October 14th, November 11th, December 9th. Call or text Norma Palmer (256-653-8349) for more information.

**RECRUITING Sunday School Teachers / Assistants** - Raising up children in the faith and teaching them God's Word is one of the highest callings that a church can undertake. We are looking for assistance in both a younger (up to 2nd grade) and older (3rd-5th) elementary school class. Please contact Martha Bradshaw 470-807-1252 if you are willing to assist with Sunday School.

**New Member Class** will begin on October 5<sup>th</sup>, for 8 weeks, please contact Pastor Shaun

### Coming Soon ...

**September 22-26** - Fall Break (Kids Club open)

**September 29<sup>th</sup>** – Halloween Costume Sale Begins