

Serving in the Lord's House Today

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THE LORD'S SUPPER (Holy Communion)

Those who commune at the Table of the Lord are baptized Christians who have examined their lives and consciences. Christians believe and confess that in the Sacrament of the Altar all who commune receive, irrespective of their personal convictions, the true body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Those who receive in faith, receive thereby remission of sins, communion with Christ, and the pledge of eternal life. Those who do not receive in faith, eat and drink judgment upon themselves (1 Corinthians 11:29). If you are not a member of this congregation or have never communed at His altar before, or hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, yet seek reception of the sacrament, please make yourself known to the Pastor prior to the beginning of the service. For further study, see Matthew 5:23, 18:15-35; 26:26-29; and 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

(Note: If for medical or any other reason you prefer not to drink wine when you commune, the rose colored individual cups in the tray hold grape juice. Gluten Free wafer available upon request.)

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"Raise up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from his ways."
Proverbs 22:6



Mission

Faith Lutheran Church and School exists to worship, serve and grow in Jesus Christ

Faith Lutheran Church and School

January 18, 2026

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Order of Service—Divine 1

Welcome and Announcements

We Share in the Peace of the Lord

Opening Hymn — Here I Am To Worship

Light of the world, You step down into darkness. Opened my eyes let me see. Beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You.

Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. You're all together lovely, all together worthy, all together wonderful to me.

King of all days, Oh, so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above. Humbly You came to the earth You created. All for love's sake became poor.

Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. You're all together lovely, all together worthy, all together wonderful to me.

And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross. I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.

Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. You're all together lovely, all together worthy, all together wonderful to me.

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Invocation —

Confession and Absolution — Page 151

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

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

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

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: 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 we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

Introit —

P: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,

C: O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

P: The heavens declare the glory of God,

C: and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

P: Day to day pours out speech,

C: and night to night reveals knowledge.

P: There is no speech, nor are there words,

C: whose voice is not heard.

P: Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

C: In them he has set a tent for the sun.

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son

C: and to the Holy Spirit;

P: as it was in the beginning,

C: is now and will be forever.

P: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,

C: O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

Kyrie — Page 152 and 153

A: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: For the peace of the whole world, for the wellbeing of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Amen.

Hymn of Praise — Page 155 This is the Feast

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, wisdom, and strength, and honor, 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, honor, 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.

Salutation — Page 156

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

Collect of the Day —

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading — Isaiah 49:1-7

Gradual — Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all peoples! For great is his steadfast love towards us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!

Second Reading — 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Alleluia and Verse — Page 156

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

Praise Verse — Page 157 under the title "Holy Gospel"

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 1st chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading — John 1:29-42a

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Children's Message —

Sermon Hymn — Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive—LSB #843

"Forgive our sins as we forgive," You taught us, Lord, to pray; But You alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.

How can Your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart that broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart?

In blazing light Your cross reveals the truth we dimly knew: What trivial debts are owed to us, how great our debt to You!

Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls and bid resentment cease; Then, bound to all in bonds of love, our lives will spread Your peace,

Sermon — By Pastor Seth Hoeppner

Offering — In response to hearing the Good News, we take a moment of reflection to give thanks to God.

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 —

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.

Eucharistic Prayer —

Institution —

Lamb of God — LSB #198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,. Have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Communion Hymn — Freely, Freely

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name, I've been born again in Jesus' name, and in Jesus' name I come to you. To share His love as he told me to.

He said, "Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely give. Go in My name and because you believe, others will know that I live."

All pow'r is giv'n in Jesus' name. In earth and heav'n in Jesus' name, and in Jesus' name I come to you. To share His pow'r as He told me to.

He said, "Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely give. Go in My name and because you believe, others will know that I live."

Post Communion Canticle — Thank the Lord

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Post Communion Prayer —

Blessing — 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 t give you peace.

Closing Hymn — How Great Thou Art—LSB #801

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee. How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee. How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

But when I think that God, His Son not sparing, sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in-- That on the cross my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin;

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee. How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee. How great Thou art! How great Thou art.