

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

May 17, 2026

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Order of Service—Divine 1

Welcome and Announcements We Share in the Peace of the Lord

Opening Hymn — Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful, where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place, though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name.

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise. When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say, "Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name. Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name."

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me, when the world's "all as it should be." blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering, though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name.

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise. When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say, "Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name. Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name."

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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: I will sing of steadfast love and justice

C: to you, O Lord, I will make music.

P: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

C: Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

P: Know that the Lord, he is God!

C: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

P: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

C: Give thanks to him; bless his name!

P: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

C: and his faithfulness to all generations.

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. Amen.

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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.

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Salutation — Page 156

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

Collect of the Day —

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for you live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading — Acts 1:12-26

Gradual — **Christ has risen from the dead. God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor, He has given him dominion over the works of his hands; he has put all things under his feet.**

Second Reading — 1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11

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 17th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading — John 17:1-11

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Children's Message —

Sermon Hymn — Crown Him With May Crowns (vs 1-3) - LSB #525

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne; Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee, and hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the virgin's Son, the God incarnate born, whose arm those crimson trophies won which now His brow adorn; Fruit of the mystic rose, yet of that rose the stem, the root whence mercy ever flows, the babe of Bethlehem.

Crown Him the Lord of Love, behold His hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified. No angels in the sky can fully bear that sight, but down-ward bend their wond'ring eyes at mysteries so bright.

Sermon — By Pastor Seth Hoepfner

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 — Draw Near and Take—**LSB #637**

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.

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.

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.

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 — Crown Him With May Crowns (vs 4-5) - **LSB #525**

Crown Him the Lord of Life, who triumphed o'er the grave and rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save. His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high, who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, enthroned in worlds above, crown Him the King to whom is giv'n the wondrous name of Love. Crown Him with many crowns as thrones before him fall; Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns, for He is King of all.