

# *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.)

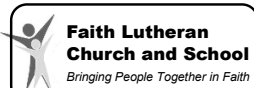
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*"Raise up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from his ways."*  
Proverbs 22:6



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## **Mission**

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

# Faith Lutheran Church and School

February 8, 2026

Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany

Order of Service—Blended

## Welcome and Announcements

### We Share in the Peace of the Lord

**Opening Song —** Drawn to the Cross Which Thou has Blessed—LSB #560

Drawn to the Cross, which Thou hast blessed with healing gifts for souls distressed, to find in Thee my life, my rest, Christ crucified, I come.

Thou knowest all my griefs and fears, Thy grace abused, my misspent years; Yet now to Thee with contrite tears, Christ crucified, I come.

Wash me and take away each stain; Let nothing of my sin remain. For cleansing, though it be through pain, Christ crucified, I come.

And then for work to do for Thee, which shall so sweet a service be that angels well might envy me, Christ crucified, I come

## The Call to Worship —

### Order of Confession and Forgiveness —

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

**C: Amen.**

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C: who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgression unto the Lord,

**C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### Introit —

*P: Blessed are you, O Lord;*

**C: teach me your statutes!**

*P: How can a young man keep his way pure?*

**C: By guarding it according to your word.**

*P: With my whole heart I seek you;*

**C: let me not wander from your commandments!**

*P: I have stored up your word in my heart,*

**C: that I might not sin against you.**

*P: Blessed are you, O Lord;*

**C: teach me your statutes!**

*P: With my lips I declare*

**C: all the just decrees of your mouth.**

*P: In the way of your testimonies I delight*

**C: as much as in all riches.**

*P: I will meditate on your precepts*

**C: and fix my eyes on your ways.**

*P: I will delight in your statutes;*

**C: I will not forget your word.**

*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: Blessed are you, O Lord;*  
**C: teach me your statutes!**

### **Prayer of the Day —**

O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; 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 58:3-9a

**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 2:1-12

### **Gospel Reading —** Matthew 5:13-20

### **Youth Message —**

**Sermon Hymn —** I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light—LSB #411

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

In Him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.

In Him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.

In Him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus

### **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 —**

**Create In Me a Clean Heart — LSB #192**

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

**Communion Hymn — Your Table I Approach—LSB #628**

Your table I approach; Dear Savior, hear my prayer. Let not an unrepentant heart prove hurtful to me there.

Lord, I confess my sins and mourn their wretched bands; A contrite heart is sure to find forgiveness at Your hands.

Your body and Your blood, once slain and shed for me, are taken at Your table, Lord, in blest reality.

Search not how this takes place, this wondrous mystery; God can accomplish vastly more than what we think could be.

O grant, most blessed Lord, that earth and hell combined may not about this sacrament raise doubt within my mind.

Oh, may I never fail to thank You day and night for Your true body and true blood, O God, my peace and light.

**Post Communion Canticle — Nunc Dimittis page 165**

**Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people: A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**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 — Go, My Children With My Blessing—LSB #922**

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.

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.

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.

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