

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.)*

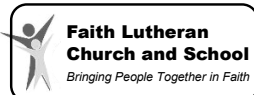
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*"Raise up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from his ways."
Proverbs 22:6*



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Mission

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

Faith Lutheran Church and School

July 26, 2026

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

Order of Service—Blended

Welcome and Announcements

We Share in the Peace of the Lord

Opening Song — We Believe

In this time of desperation when all we know is doubt and fear there is only one foundation, we believe, we believe.

In this broken generation when all is dark, You help us see.
There is only one salvation, we believe, we believe.

We believe in God the Father. We believe in Jesus Christ. We believe in the Holy Spirit, and He's given us new life. We believe in the crucifixion. We believe that He conquered death. We believe in the resurrection, and He's comin' back again, we believe.

So, let our faith be more than anthems, greater than the songs we sing and in our weakness and temptations, we believe, we believe.

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Let the lost be found and the dead be raised in the here and now, let love invade. Let the church live loud, our God will save! We believe, we believe!" And the gates of hell will not prevail, for the power of God, has torn the veil. Now we know Your love will never fail, we believe, we believe.

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He's comin' back again, we believe, we believe.

The Call to Worship —

Order of Confession and Forgiveness —

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

C: Amen.

Introit —

P: Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;

C: make known his deeds among the peoples!

P: Sing to him, sing praises to him;

C: tell of all his wondrous works!

P: Glory in his holy name;

C: let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

P: Seek the Lord and his strength;

C: seek his presence continually!

P: Remember the wondrous works that he has done,

C: his miracles, and the judgements he uttered,

P: O offspring of Abraham, his servant,

C: children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

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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C: make known his deeds among the peoples!

Prayer of the Day —

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading — Deuteronomy 7:6-9

Gradual — Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgements and how inscrutable his ways! For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

Second Reading — Romans 8:28-39

Gospel Reading — Matthew 13:44-52

Youth Message —

Sermon Hymn — I Love Your Kingdom Lord—LSB #651

I love Your kingdom, Lord, the place of Your abode, the Church our blest Redeemer saved with His own precious blood.

Beyond my highest joy I prize its heav'nly ways, its sweet communion, solemn vows, its hymns of love and praise.

I love Your church, O God, Your saints in ev'ry land, dear as the apple of Your eye and graven on Your hand.

For them my tears shall fall; For them my prayers ascend; For them my cares and toils be giv'n till toils and cares shall end.

Sure as Your truth shall last, to Zion shall be giv'n the brightest glories earth can yield and brighter bliss of heav'n.

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 — Jesus Loves Me Alleluia

Jesus loves me this I know. For the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong. They are weak but he is strong.

Alleluia. Alleluia, allelu. Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, allelu. Alleluia.

Amazing grace how sweet the sound, saved a wretch like me. I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind but now I see.

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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 — Lord Dismiss Me With Your Blessing—LSB #924

Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing; Fill our hearts with joy and peace; Let us each, Your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, trav'ling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration for Your Gospel's joyful sound. May the fruits of Your salvation in our hearts and lives abound. Ever faithful, ever faithful to Your truth may we be found.

Savior, when Your love shall call us from our struggling pilgrim way, let not fear of death appall us, glad Your summons to obey. May we ever, may we ever reign with You in endless day.