

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.)

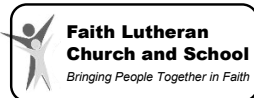
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"Raise up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from his ways."
Proverbs 22:6



Mission

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

Faith Lutheran Church and School

May 10, 2026

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Order of Service—Blended

Welcome and Announcements We Share in the Peace of the Lord

Opening Song — Jesus Came, the Heaven's Adoring—LSB #353

Jesus came, the heav'ns adoring, came with peace from
realms on high; Jesus came to win redemption, Lowly came
on earth to die; Alleluia! Alleluia! Came in deep humility.

Jesus comes again in mercy when our hearts are worn with
care; Jesus comes again in answer to an earnest, heart-felt
prayer; Alleluia! Alleluia! Comes to save us from despair.

Jesus comes to hearts rejoicing, bringing news of sins forgiv'n;
Jesus comes with words of gladness, leading souls redeemed
to heav'n. Alleluia! Alleluia! Hope to all the world is giv'n.

Jesus comes in joy and sorrow, shares alike our hopes and
fears; Jesus comes, whate'er befalls us, cheers our hearts and
dries our tears; Alleluia! Alleluia! Comforts us in failing years.

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 ho-
ly, 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: Your word is a lamp to my feet

C: and a light to my path.

P: Forever, O Lord, your word

C: is firmly fixed in the heavens.

P: Your faithfulness endures to all generations;

C: you have established the earth, and it stands fast.

P: By your appointment they stand this day,

C: for all things are your servants.

P: If your law had not been my delight,

C: I would have perished in my affliction.

P: I will never forget your precepts,

C: for by them you have given me life.

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.

P: Your word is a lamp to my feet

C: and a light to my path.

Prayer of the Day —

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading — Acts 1:1-11

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 3:13-22

Gospel Reading — John 14:15-21

Youth Message —

Sermon Hymn — On Christ's Ascension I Now Build—LSB #492
On Christ's ascension I now build the hope of my ascension; This hope alone has always stilled all doubt and apprehension; For where the head is, there as well I know His members are to dwell when Christ will come and call them.

Since Christ returned to claim His throne, great gifts for me obtaining, my heart will rest in Him alone, no other rest remaining; For where my treasure went before, there all my thoughts will ever soar to still their deepest yearning.

O grant, dear Lord, this grace to me, recalling Your ascension, that I may serve You faithfully in thanks for my redemption; And then, when all my days will cease, let me depart in joy and peace in answer to my pleading.

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 — Come and See

Come and see the glory of the Lord, come behold the Lamb. Come and know the mercy of the King, bowing down before Him.

Come and give thanks unto the Lord, come behold the Lamb. Come and sing the praises of the King, bowing down before Him.

For He is Lord above the heavens, Lord in all the earth; Lord of all the angels, worthy to be served. Alleluia. Alleluia, Lord.

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 — Wonderful Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

See from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a tribute far too small. Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all!

O the wonderful cross! O the wonderful cross! Bids me come and die and find that I may truly live. O the wonderful cross! O the wonderful cross! All who gather here by grace draw near and bless Your name.

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