

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
A Congregation of the ELCA

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Worship Plan for Sunday, February 8, 2026 * Fifth Sunday of Epiphany

WELCOME TO FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH, where grace and love abound. While we wait and prepare for a new pastor, we invite you to participate fully in the vibrant life of the congregation, and to join us in prayer as we continue to serve God and God's people during this time of transition.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT: Enriching lives through faith and God's grace.

MEMBERS & GUESTS: Please fill out a worship attendance card found in the pew racks. Prayer requests may be included on the reverse side for one Sunday or bulletin publication.

INVITATION TO BAPTISM: We would like to extend to you the blessing of Baptism and encourage you to contact the church office to be baptized.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION: Christ is truly present through the power of God's Holy Spirit. We invite everyone to come forward and be renewed in the covenant God made with us in our baptism. All are gladly invited and welcome. If, in coming forward, you choose not to receive the Sacrament, we ask you to fold your hands over your chest so you may receive a pastoral blessing. The Sacrament will be brought to those unable to come forward to the altar (notify an usher). Available upon request: gluten-, wheat-, corn-, dairy- and soy-free wafers.

CHILDREN'S COMMUNION: Families are encouraged to come to the rail together during the distribution. Children may receive Communion or a special blessing from the Pastor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday School for children of all ages is immediately following the Children's Chat.

CELL PHONES: Please silence your cell phones before Worship.

Following worship, ALL are invited to join us for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall.

Introduction to the day

Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.

GOSPEL MESSAGE: The Lamp Is Already Lit

“This little light of mine, I’m goin’-a let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine” (ELW 677). There’s nothing quite like the joyous call and response of a whole congregation singing together the words of this beloved African American spiritual. The text and tune make it very hard to keep any lamps under a bushel basket!

In his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus calls us to “let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven” (Matthew 5:16). Many congregations use these words during the rite of Holy Baptism. But “Let *your* light shine” doesn’t imply that the light belongs only to us or to the church. The first chapter of Genesis clarifies this. At the beginning of creation, God speaks light into existence, making light God’s first gift to the whole world. In that light, God creates everything, including humankind, which is made in the divine image, according to God’s likeness.

Living in harmony with God’s word, letting our light shine with “good works” that glorify God, is not about striving for perfection. Because God’s light has existed from the beginning, it is not something we earn or achieve for ourselves. We don’t provide the spark that lights the lamp—it is already lit by God. Our job is to let the light shine. To be light for the world, then, is to be none other than who we have been from the beginning. Therein lies not only the fulfillment of God’s word, but also our own fulfillment as God’s children and light-bearers in the world.

Please stand for the Processional

PROCESSIONAL *Come, All You People: Uyaimose* (ELW 819)

Text: Alexander Gondo; tr. I-to Loh, b. 1936, alt. Text © 1986 World Council of Churches, Geneva, Switzerland, and the Asian Institute of Liturgy & Music, notation and English paraphrase by I-to Loh.

AM: WELCOME

Good morning! It's wonderful to see all of you this morning! Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church, where grace and love abound and the Holy Spirit uplifts and inspires us. A special welcome to those joining us on line, to those of you who are here for the first time, and to our guest pastor, Shane Freiberg. Exciting things are happening here during our search for a permanent pastor, and everyone is encouraged to participate fully, whether you are a first-time visitor, or have been here awhile. You are ALWAYS welcome!

AM: ANNOUNCEMENTS

The altar flowers were provided by the Ehrigs giving thanks to God and for the prayers.

Happy Soup-er Bowl...and Superbowl Sunday! Today we will have a final count for the cans of soup...who do you think will win? The Patriots or the Seahawks? It doesn't matter, because in Faith's Soup-er Bowl, there are no losers...only winners!! All cans of soup will be donated to the Community Cupboard.

Today is also New Member Sunday! Be sure to join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship for celebratory cake!

The gospel writers told the story of Jesus, none more poetically than John, Jesus' beloved disciple. Join Pastor Ken on Thursday evenings at 7:00 P.M. for his Zoom Bible class. Contact him at hopegiver@aol.com for log in/password information.

Join us in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, the 17th at 5:00 for a Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner!

Ash Wednesday is the 18th. Pr. Ken will be here at Faith from 12:00 – 1:30 for the imposition of ashes for those who can't make it to the 5:00 worship service.

Be sure you've marked Feb. 22nd as the date for our Annual Meeting! Lunch will be served following the meeting!

This quarter (January - March) Outreach is collecting Protein or Granola Bars and Body Wash (for men or women) for MilVet. The items will be used in monthly boxes sent to deployed military. The donation box is in the Narthex.

For February, we are collecting peanut butter, grocery bags, and empty egg cartons. Please place donations in the wire basket in the foyer.

The Pacifica Synod WELCA Spring Gathering is Saturday, March 7, 2026. We hope you will plan to join us for this event. Information and registration info along with a signup sheet are in the narthex. For questions see Candy Pellechio.

For more information and a complete monthly calendar, contact the church office.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS, LETICIA, TOM AND JANET!

P: We are here this morning to welcome Leticia, Tom and Janet into our community of Faith Lutheran Church. We are not a building, but the gathered family of God. We are brothers and sisters in Christ, given this new identity through our baptism into Jesus' death and resurrection. Today we welcome you as members of this family in the larger body of Christ.

And so we ask, do you desire to join the membership of Faith Lutheran Church? If so please answer: "We do."

I ask the congregation to stand and join in confessing our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

A: I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

A: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

P: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

A: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

P: Having together confessed our faith in the Triune God, we now welcome you into the family of our congregation and into the ministry of the church. As active followers of Jesus Christ, we are called to spread his Good News. We encourage you to accept that call through your involvement in the church.

C: We welcome you as brother and sisters in Christ, and thank God for this unique opportunity to serve God and one another. May the God to whom we belong equip us for every good work that we do together in God's name.

New Members: We welcome and accept your invitation and commit ourselves to using our time and talents for the good of the congregation.

P: Let us pray. Heavenly Father, as you called James and John, Simon and Andrew to fish for people, so you have called us to serve you with our own talents and resources. We thank you for bringing to us these new members to Faith Lutheran Church. You have told us that wherever two or more are gathered in your name, there you are with them. Help us, we pray, to see and feel that presence and that others may come to know you through our interactions and through your ever-present love and grace. We pray all of this in the name our Savior Jesus Christ,
A: Amen

P: Let us welcome our new members as they return to their seats!

SILENCE

P: Let us take a moment of silence to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for worship.

P: GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

P: GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

This is the day that the Lord has made,
let us rejoice and be glad in it!

AM: PLEASE TURN TO HYMN 641

Please stand as you are willing and able.

GATHERING SONG: *All Are Welcome* (ELW 641)

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P: CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

P: PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

CHILDREN'S CHAT

P: WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST LESSON INTRODUCTION

The call for social justice sounds through this passage in sharp contrast to vain rituals like fasting. This passage from Isaiah 58 voices a prophetic corrective to rituals which had become hypocritical. It asks why God ignores the sacred ritual and gives a prophetic response in the name of the God who prefers simple justice to empty stomachs and emptier souls. In prophetic passages like this the church today still finds its mandate to call on its own resources and on political leaders for a realistic concern for the poor, the oppressed and the homeless. Yet these poetic lines were composed more than 2,500 years ago.

LECTOR: FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:1-9a

¹ Shout out; do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. ² Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments; they want God on their side. ³ “Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day and oppress all your workers. ⁴ You fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. ⁵ Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? ⁶ Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷ Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them and not to hide yourself from your own kin? ⁸ Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. ⁹ Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, “Here I am.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM INTRODUCTION

Just like today's Old Testament lesson, the psalm regards the worldly reward of the righteous and imminent punishment of the ungodly as fundamental truths.

The devout Jew who read or heard this psalm believed its message that righteousness, generosity and justice went hand in hand as the best resources for creating the good life.

LECTOR: PSALMODY: Psalm 112:1-9

¹ Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in God's commandments!

² **Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

³ Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

⁴ **Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

⁵ It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

⁶ **For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

⁷ They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

⁸ **Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

⁹ They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

Amen.

SECOND LESSON INTRODUCTION

We do not know exactly what lay behind this unusual but rich passage. It bears the undercurrent of a very stressful relationship between Paul and those for whom he wrote. For some reason he felt it necessary to defend his work as an apostle during an earlier visit to Corinth. But he did so with sarcasm about his lack of worldly wisdom, his physical weakness and halting speech. He even admits to being genuinely afraid (vs. 3-4).

Scholars still debate the nature of the “lofty words or wisdom” which Paul shunned in favor of the simple gospel message of “Jesus Christ, and him crucified.” Corinth was a very cosmopolitan city and very promiscuous too. It reputedly had a temple of Aphrodite which engaged a thousand prostitutes.

The wisdom Paul brought had its origin in God's eternal plan of salvation "decreed before the ages for our glory."

LECTOR: SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12

¹ When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. ² For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴ My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵ so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. ⁶ Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are being destroyed. ⁷ But we speak God's wisdom, a hidden mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory ⁸ and which none of the rulers of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹ But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"—¹⁰ God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹ For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹² Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

L: PLEASE STAND FOR THE GOSPEL

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 151)

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

GOSPEL INTRODUCTION

These brief excerpts from Jesus' teaching have become memorable criteria for Christian living: salt that savors, light that can be seen clearly, and the eternal validity of God's commandments. This is still the quality of life for every Christian disciple.

Salt from the Dead Sea together with its many by-products remains one of Israel's main exports. In Biblical times it had liturgical significance as well as being a condiment giving food a more palatable taste. The cereal offering, the burnt offering and incense were all seasoned with salt (Lev. 2:13; Ezek. 43:24; Exod. 30:35).

Salt also had medicinal purposes behind which may have been certain residual magic. For instance, newborn babies were rubbed with salt, possibly to ward off demonic influences. Diseases of the mouth and skin, and open flesh wounds may also have been treated with salt (Is this the origin of rubbing salt in a wound?). A very profitable element of the modern tourist trade uses Dead Sea salt as a main ingredient of lotions and ointments which do both soothe and heal. Is it surprising, then, that Jesus turned this homely metaphor into a memorable image of what men and women of faith may be for the world?

In their low, nearly windowless houses, even a small lamp was essential. How often Jesus had seen his mother fill the little vessels with precious olive oil and set them on a shelf or a stand so she could tend to her household duties as evening came on? Recalling that humble task may well have been what brought this revealing metaphor to his mind.

P: GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-20

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹³ "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot. ¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵ People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. ¹⁷ "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your

righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

AM: PLEASE TURN TO HYMN 688

Please stand as you are willing and able and sing with the St. Olaf Choir.

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Lord of Light* (ELW 688, vs. 1, 3, 4)

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AM: PLEASE BE SEATED FOR THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PASTOR AND ASSISTING MINISTER: PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As God’s beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

Your church does ministry in many and various ways. Keep the baptized true to the mind of Christ, that our works and witness bring hope to a troubled world.

Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your marvelous creation cries out to you. Restore polluted air, soil, and water sources to wholeness. Guard honeybees, elephants, great whales and songbirds from harm, and renew the face of the earth. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your people in every nation suffer injustice, poverty, and the threat of violence. Guide those in authority to govern with compassion, and bring peace to war zones. We pray for our enemies. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your blessings are poured out for all in need. Help and heal any who experience trauma, discrimination, disease, hunger, abuse, or persecution. Comfort those who are sick or grieving, especially Emily; the family of Stephen Altherr; Susan Bauerle; Ian Berger; Mary Booth; Arnette Calkins; the Castaneda family; Rich and Sandy Chandler; Jeff Cook; Vicki Crow; Eleanor Diaz; Debbie Ehrig; Sandy Evers; Frank Harrison IV; Doris Hays; Sarge Hunter; Donna McCain; Sandra Miller; Carol Morris; Michael Myers; Esther Neumen; Marilyn Rieti; Amy Sinclair; Shalonne

Stone; Joyce Stromberg; Diane Swarts; Diana Ward; the homebound; the emergency responders; the San Bernardino Community Wellness Campus; and those grieving and anticipating surgery or tests. At this time, we also pray for those we name aloud or silently in our hearts. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your wisdom guides this congregation and its ministries. Sustain our ordained leaders, staff, lay leaders, and volunteers. Form us to be salt and light for the neighbors we serve, following the example of Christ. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your saints rejoice at your heavenly banquet. We give thanks for their lives of faith, trusting that we also will be embraced by your eternal love. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Almighty God, giver of all good gifts: Look on your Church with grace and guide the minds of those on the Call Committee who shall discern a pastor for this congregation, that we may receive a faithful servant who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

P: PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

P: OFFERING

Let us remember at this time of Offering, that all we have and all we are given are gifts from God. Our offerings of time, talent and treasures are expressions of gratitude to God for all we have received. May we show abundant gratitude.

This morning's offering, including our prayers and pledges, will now be brought forward and lifted up to God during the Musical Offering.

Please enjoy listening to our musical offering

MUSICAL OFFERING: *Amazing Grace* (sung by Pacific Lutheran University Choir of the West; Choral works by Eriks Esenvalds; Richard Nance, Conductor)

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AM: OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

Amen.

**P: GREAT THANKSGIVING
DIALOGUE (ELW p. 152)**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: PREFACE (ELW p. 153)

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ALL SING)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might. Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might. Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

P: THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

P: INSTRUCTION FOR COMMUNION

As you are comfortable, you are invited to come forward to receive communion. All of God's children are welcome to Christ's table. Gather at the altar rail to receive the communion elements or if you wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. You may commune yourself once you've received the communion elements. Please hold out your hands to receive the bread from the Pastor. Then pick up a cup of red wine or white grape juice from the Communion Server. A gluten-free option is available upon request. Please deposit empty cups in the provided baskets/trays on your way back to your seat unless they are

collected at the altar. If you would like communion brought to you at your seat, indicate by raising your hand for the Assisting Minister to see and they will bring communion to you.

P: INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

DURING DISTRIBUTION: *What Feast of Love* (ELW 487)

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***Let Us Break Bread Together* (ELW 471, vs. 1-3)**

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***Break Now the Bread of Life* (ELW 515)**

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***Eat This Bread: Jesus Christ, Bread of Life* (ELW 472)**

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P: COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

AM: PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

P: BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Amen.

P: PLEASE TURN TO HYMN 661

Please stand as you are willing and able.

SENDING SONG: *I Love to Tell the Story* (ELW 661)

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AM: INVITATION

We would like to invite guests and visitors to come and meet us in the narthex as you exit so that our council members can welcome you, and you can join us in the Fellowship Hall for cookies, coffee and conversation.

AM: DISMISSAL

AM: Go forward in peace and anticipation of the Savior's Birth.

Response: Thanks be to God, we will!

THIS WEEK AT FAITH

Tuesday, the 10th: Hymn Planners meet at 10:00; WELCA Board meets at 12:30; Outreach meets at 2:30

Wednesday, the 11th: Mary Circle Bible Study begins at 10:00

Thursday, the 12th: Cheer/Eucharistic Team meets at 4:00; Pr. Ken's Zoom Bible Study begins at 7:00

Friday, the 13th: Al-Anon meets at 10:30

Saturday, the 14th: Valentine's Day

Sunday, the 15th: Worship begins at 9:30 with Pr. Ken

THOSE WHO SERVED TODAY:

ASSISTING MINISTER: Candy

LECTOR: David M.

COMMUNION SERVER: Diane S.

POWER POINT: Bill

USHER: Becky

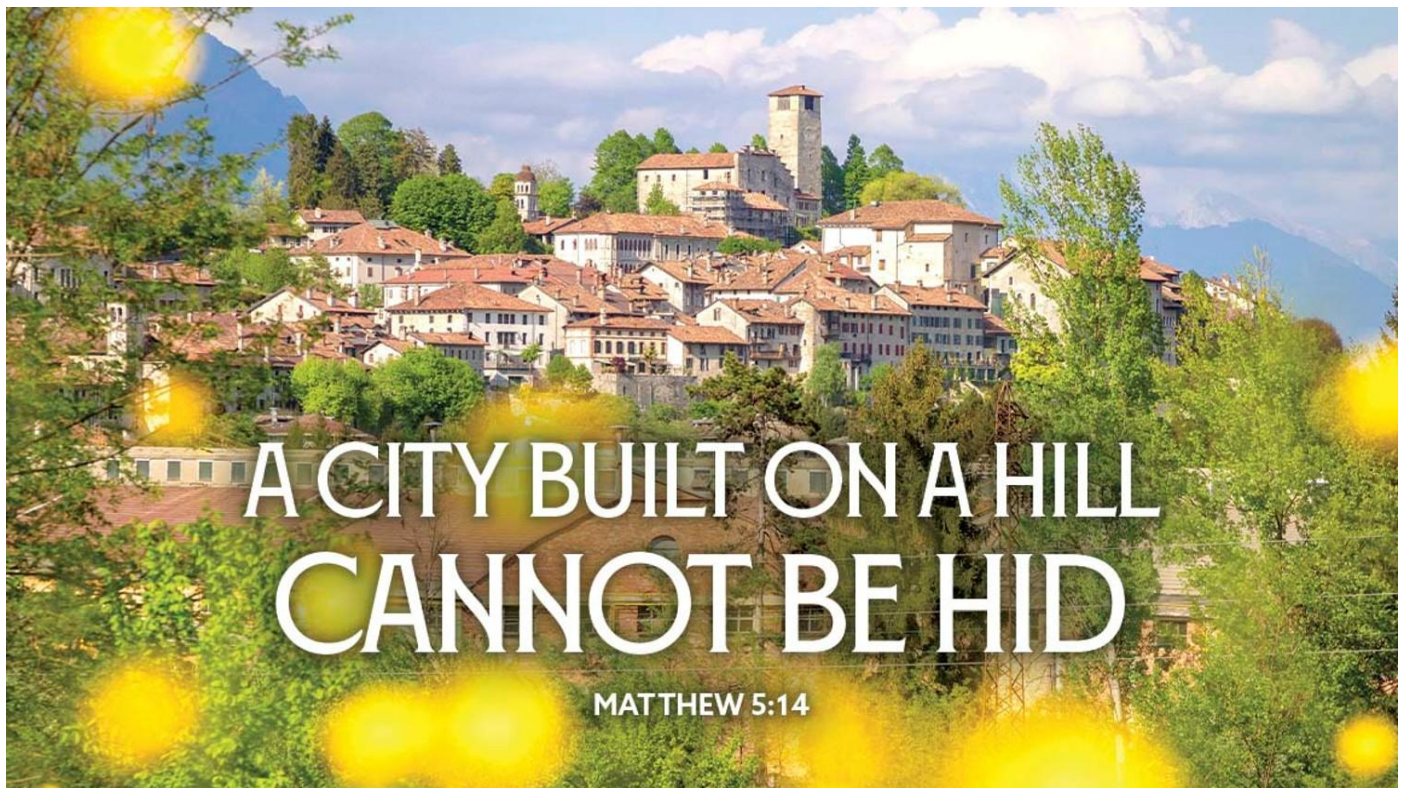
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GREETER: Shirley

ALTAR GUILD: Mars, Diane M.

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