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September 27, 2026, 8:00 a.m.



**Faith Lutheran Church
Green Bay, Wisconsin**

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 - congregation stands.  - congregation sits.  - congregation kneel or sit as you are able.
 - congregation sings. Congregational responses are in **bold print**.

Reminders in Preparation for Service:

- Please sign the red record of fellowship book to keep our records up to date.
- Out of respect for God's house and for those preparing for service, please maintain a quiet atmosphere prior to service by holding conversations in the narthex.
- While corporate confession and absolution is present at most services, if you would like to meet with Pastor privately, please speak with him to schedule a time for confession.
- Children are welcomed into our service and encouraged to participate with the rest of the congregation. If they do need some "wiggle room," you may move to the Wiggle Room (located in the narthex area), until they are ready to return to the service.

Visitors and Guests: Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church. We are blessed to have you with us.

- While most of what you will need for service is found in this service folder, if the indication LSB appears, it refers to the Lutheran Service Book, which is found in the hymnal rack on the back of the pew in front of you.
- Please speak with Pastor before receiving the Lord's Supper. If you do not have the opportunity before service begins, you are welcome to receive a blessing during communion. Please indicate this desire by crossing your arms during the distribution of the sacrament.

College Students: Please let us know how we can assist you during your time away from home. Be sure to introduce yourself to Pastor or Deaconess before leaving and indicate your university and contact information in the red record of fellowship book.

Prelude "Voices Raised to You We Offer" - setting by Scott Hyslop

Order of Service

HYMN: "Voices Raised to You We Offer" - *LSB #795*
(stanza 2 sung by choir)

ALL
choir
ALL



1. Voic - es raised to You we of - fer; Tune them, God, for
2. All cre - a - tion joins to praise You; Earth and sky Your
3. Christ, the song of love in - car - nate, Touch - ing earth with
4. Spir - it, flam - ing through cre - a - tion, Kin - dle faith with -
5. How can an - y praise we of - fer Meas - ure all the



songs of praise. Hearts and hands we bring in tri - bute
works dis - play. Art and mu - sic, gifts you lend us,
heav - en's grace, For Your liv - ing, suf - f'ring, dy - ing,
in each heart. Lift our voic - es high in cho - rus;
thanks we owe? Take our hearts and hands and voic - es;



For Your gifts through all our days. Al - le - lu - ia!
We re - turn to You to - day. Al - le - lu - ia!
For Your ris - ing, hear our praise! Al - le - lu - ia!
Through our hands Your love im - part. Al - le - lu - ia!
Gifts of love we can be - stow. Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Tri - une God, to You we sing!
Al - le - lu - ia! God, Cre - a - tor source of life!
Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, Re - deem - er, Lord of life!
Al - le - lu - ia! Spir - it, Help - er, breath of life!
Al - le - lu - ia! Tri - une God, to You we sing!



In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM

Lutheran Service Book, p. 268

Baptized today: Diana Lynn Syndergaard

Parents: Jacob and Sarah Syndergaard

Sponsors: Dana Pethan and Megan Kozelek

CONFESSION OF SINS

Do you renounce the devil?
Yes, I renounce him.

Do you renounce all his works?
Yes, I renounce them.

Do you renounce all his ways?
Yes, I renounce them.

ABSOLUTION

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Do you believe in God the Father Almighty?
**Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

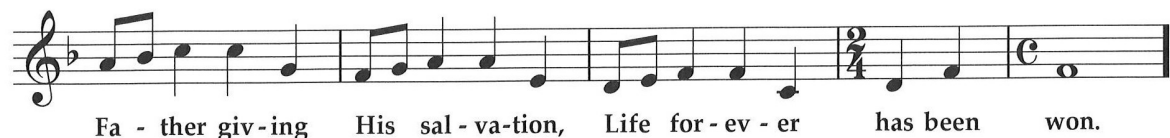
Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son?
**Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?
**Yes, 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.**

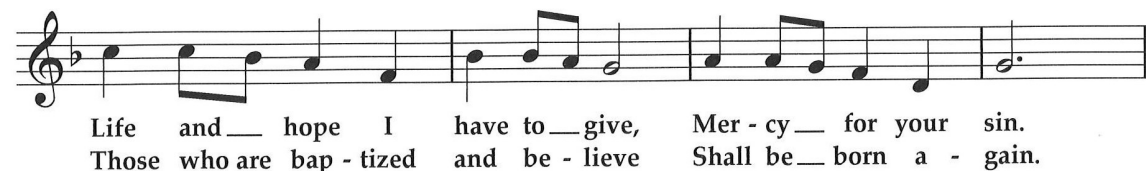


BAPTISMAL HYMN

"Father Welcomes" - LSB #605



verses



The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, You exalted Your Son to the place of all honor and authority. Enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit that, confessing Jesus as Lord, we may be led into all truth; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

+ SCRIPTURES FOR THE DAY +

Old Testament

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

The word of the LORD came to me: "What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, 'The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge'? As I live, declares the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die.

"Yet you say, 'The way of the Lord is not just.' Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? When a righteous person turns away from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it; for the injustice that he has done he shall die. Again, when a wicked person turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and right, he shall save his life. Because he considered and turned away from all the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, 'The way of the Lord is not just.' O house of Israel, are my ways not just? Is it not your ways that are not just?

"Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord GOD; so turn, and live."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Adult Choir: "Praise the Lord" - G. F. Handel, arr. Hal Hopson

Epistle

Philippians 2:1-18

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

Have this mind among yourselves, which was also in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Do all things without grumbling or disputing, that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Verse



All authority in heav- | en and earth
has been giv- | en to me.

Matthew 28:18



The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter:
Glory to You, O Lord.

And when he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?"

Jesus answered them, "I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?"

And they discussed it among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'From man,' we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet."

So they answered Jesus, "We do not know."

And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things."

"What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.'

And he answered, 'I will not,' but afterward he changed his mind and went. And he went to the other son and said the same.

And he answered, 'I go, sir,' but did not go.

Which of the two did the will of his father?"

They said, "The first."

Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to You, O Christ.



Sunday: **Children's Lesson** Alex Wright - *Director of Christian Education*



HYMN: **"All Depends on Our Possessing" - LSB #732**



SERMON: Vicar Nathaniel Hall

Gathering of the Offering

Did you know that your offering provides for grief care to those who have lost loved ones as pastor guides a family through the funeral planning and grief process?

Faith members willingly support the ministry of this congregation with their tithes and offerings. Visitors are always welcomed as our guests, so please do not feel obligated to contribute. During the gathering of the offering we ask that the registration in the red folder located at the end of each pew be passed down and filled out by visitors and members. Visitors, please remember to include contact information if you are interested in knowing more about Faith.

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

+ SACRAMENT +

(The communion liturgy begins on p. 208 of *Lutheran Service Book*.)

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS) recognizes and respects the differences in beliefs regarding the nature and confession of Holy Communion and therefore holds to the Biblical practice of closed communion. We believe Christ's body and blood is being distributed with the bread and wine during the Lord's Supper. This is Christ's gift given for the forgiveness of sins, the strengthening of faith, and for the public confession of what we believe and teach. Since it is possible to receive the Lord's Supper sinfully and to your detriment, we ask that you speak with the pastor prior to receiving the Lord's Supper.

PREFACE

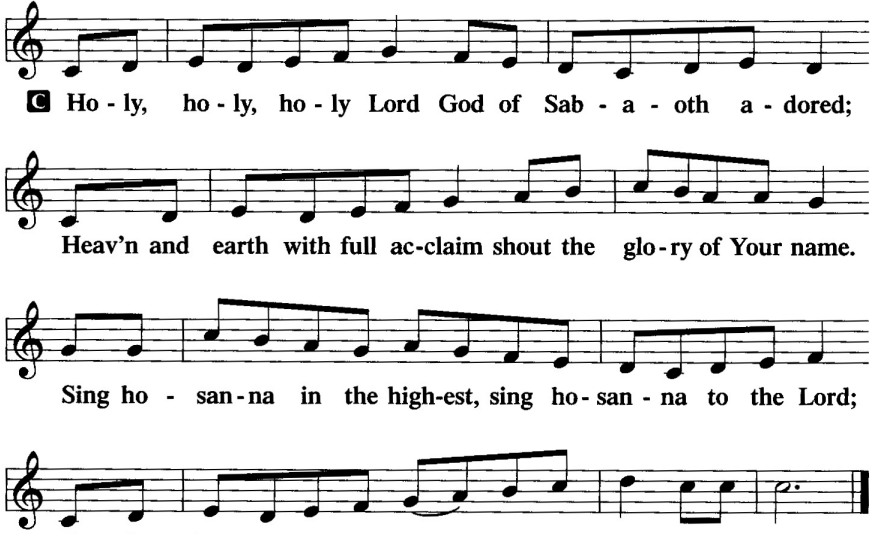
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

SANCTUS



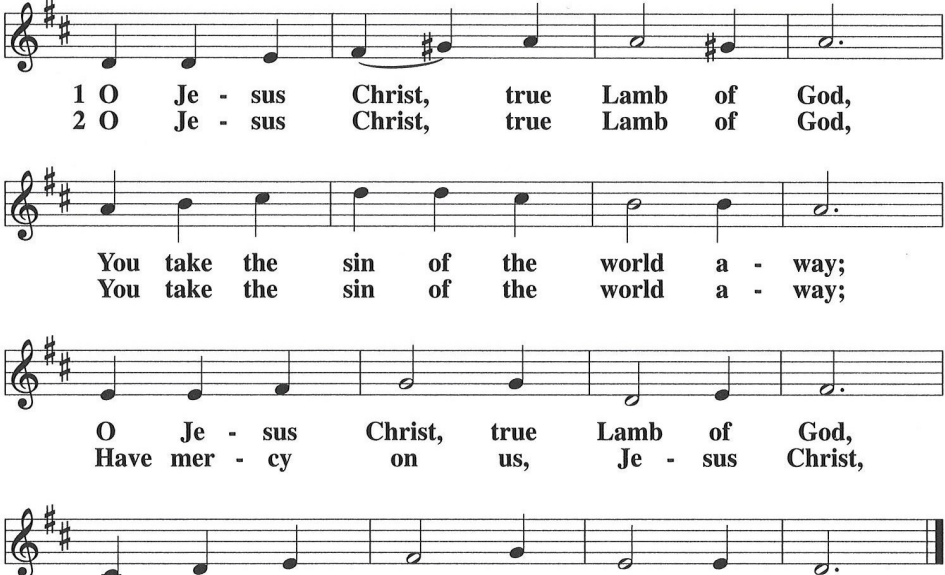
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF OUR LORD

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

AGNUS DEI



1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.



COMMUNION HYMNS:

"I Come, O Savior To Thy Table" - LSB #618

"Oh, How I Love Jesus"



1 There is a name I love to hear; I love to
2 It tells me of a Sav - ior's love, Who died to
3 It tells me what my Fa - ther hath In store for
4 It tells of One whose lov - ing heart Can feel my



sing its worth. It sounds like mu - sic
set me free. It tells me of His
ev - 'ry day And though I tread a
deep - est woe, Who in each sor - row



in my ear, The sweet - est name on earth.
pre - cious blood, The sin - ner's per - fect plea.
dark - some path, Yields sun - shine all the way.
bears a part That none can bear be - low.



Oh, how I love Je - sus, Oh, how I love Je - sus!



Oh, how I love Je - sus, Be - cause He first loved me!

"At the Name of Jesus" - LSB #512

Adult Choir: "Go in Peace" - Austin Lovelace
*Go in peace and walk in His ways
Serve the Lord; rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen*

i PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
Amen.

BENEDICTION
Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

HYMN: "God of Grace and God of Glory" - LSB #850, stanzas 1, 2, 3

1. God of grace and God of glory,
On your people pour your pow'r;
Crown your ancient Church's story;
Bring its bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
For the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.
2. Lo, the hosts of evil round us
Scorn the Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us
Free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
For the living of these days,
For the living of these days.
3. Cure your children's warring madness;
Bend our pride to your control;
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
Rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal,
Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal.

Postlude Toccata in F - Dietrich Buxtehude