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

If you are uncomfortable standing or kneeling, you may choose to sit.

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 <u>Lutheran Service Book</u>, 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.

Today is also the commemoration of Johann Gerhardt (1582-1637), a great Lutheran theologian in the tradition of Martin Luther (1483-1546) and Martin Chemnitz (1522-86) and the most influential of the seventeenth-century dogmaticians. His monumental Loci Theologici (twenty-three large volumes) is still considered by many to be a definitive statement of Lutheran orthodoxy. Born in Quedlinburg, Germany, at the age of fifteen he was stricken with a life-threatening illness. This experience, along with guidance from his pastor marked a turning point in his ife. He devoted the rest of his life to theology.

He became a professor at the University of Jena and served many years as the superintendent of Heldburg. Gerhard was a man of deep evangelical piety and love for Jesus. He wrote numerous books on exegesis, theology devotional literature, history and polemics. His sermons continue to be widely published and read.

Pre-Service Music

Order of Worship

(The service is also printed with music beginning on page 184 of the hymnal)

HYMN: "Father Most Holy" - LSB #504

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Sunday: BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.



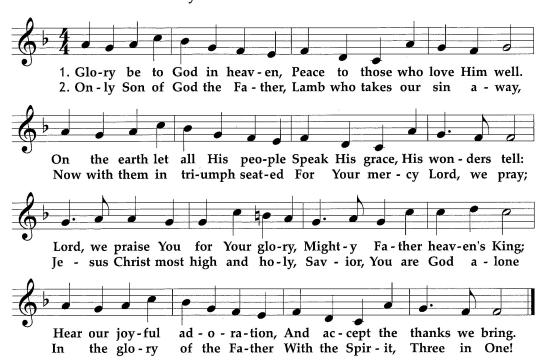
Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. 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.

Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for you and for his sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS - Hymn of Praise



The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Merciful Lord, cleanse and defend Your Church by the sacrifice of Christ. United with Him in Holy Baptism, give us grace to receive with thanksgiving the fruits of His redeeming work and daily follow in His way; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever **Amen.**

+ SCRIPTURES FOR THE DAY +

Old Testament Jeremiah 23:16-29

Thus says the LORD of hosts:

"Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you,

filling you with vain hopes.

They speak visions of their own minds,

not from the mouth of the LORD.

They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD,

'It shall be well with you';

and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say,

'No disaster shall come upon you."

For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to see and to hear his word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened?

Behold, the storm of the LORD!

Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the head of the wicked.

The anger of the LORD will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his heart.

In the latter days you will understand it clearly.

"I did not send the prophets, yet they ran;

I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied.

But if they had stood in my council, then they would have proclaimed my words to my people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their deeds.

"Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God far away? Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD.

Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD.

I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back.

By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau.

By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff.

By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the

Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones.

By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict.

By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.

By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when

they attempted to do the same, were drowned.

By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days.

By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient,

because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

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Gospel Verse

Alleluia. Is not my word like fire, declares the Lord? What has straw in common with wheat?

Alleluia. (*Jer 23:29a, 28b*)

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the twelfth chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

GOSPEL Luke 12:49-53

"I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

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

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the Prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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

During the summer months each children's lesson will focus on a portion of the Nicene Creed, commemorating the creation of this defining statement of the Christian faith at the Council of Nicaea in the year 325.

"And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church."

"Thy Strong Word" - LSB #578 HYMN:

ALL: 1. Thy strong Word did cleave the darkness;

> At Thy speaking it was done. For created light we thank thee,

While Thine ordered seasons run.

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

2. Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness, Dark as night and deep as death, Broke the light of Thy salvation. Breathed Thine own life-breathing breath.

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

Women: 3. Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous;

Bright with Thine own holiness,

Glorious now, we press toward glory,

And our lives our hopes confess.

ALL: Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

Men: 4. From the cross Thy wisdom shining

Breaketh forth in conqu'ring might;

From the cross forever beameth All thy bright redeeming light.

ALL: Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

ALL: 5. Give us lips to sing Thy glory,

Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,

Throats that shout the hope that fills us,

Mouths to speak Thy holy name.

Alleluia, Alleluia! May the light which Thou dost send

Fill our songs with alleluias, Alleluias without end!

6. God the Father, light-creator,

To Thee laud and honor be.

To Thee, Light of Light begotten,

Praise be sung eternally.

Holy Spirit, light-revealer, Glory, glory be to Thee.

Mortals, angels, now and ever Praise the Holy Trinity!

THE MESSAGE: Vicar David Scarborough

Gathering of the Offering

Did you know that our endowment fund receives the majority of its funds through legacy or estate giving? If you include Faith Lutheran Church in your estate planning with a gift over \$1,000, unless you specify otherwise, 80% is invested in our endowment portfolio. 10% is used for mission work (such as campus ministry) and 10% is used to support the area of greatest need in our congregation?

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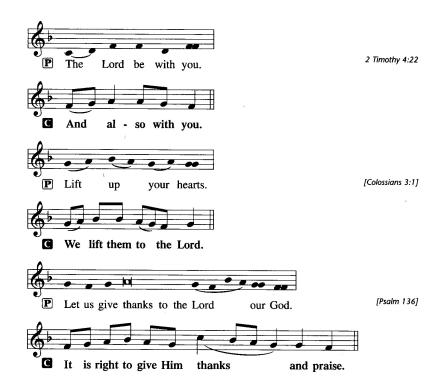


PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

SACRAMENT + (*LSB* p. 160)

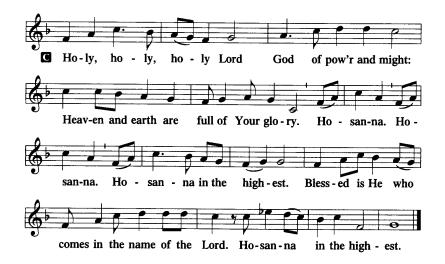
The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS) recognizes and respects the differences in beliefs regarding the nature and confession of Holy Communion and therefore holds to the Biblical practice of closed communion. We believe Christ's body and blood is being distributed with the bread and wine during the 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



PROPER PREFACE

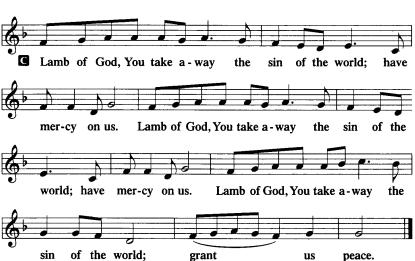




LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways. **AGNUS DEI**



COMMUNION HYMNS

"Eat This Bread" - LSB #638

"The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace" - LSB #580

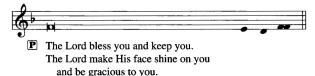
men.

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" - LSB #709

POST- COMMUNION COLLECT Amen.

Sunday: INSTALLATION OF TRINITY TEACHERS

BENEDICTION



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



Welcome and Announcements

HYMN: "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" - LSB #655

- 1. Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word; Curb those who by deceit or sword Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son And bring to naught all He has done.
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For you are Lord of lords alone; Defend Your holy church that we May sing your praise eternally.
- 3. O Comforter of priceless worth, Send peace and unity on earth; Support us in our final strife And lead us out of death to life.

Postlude

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