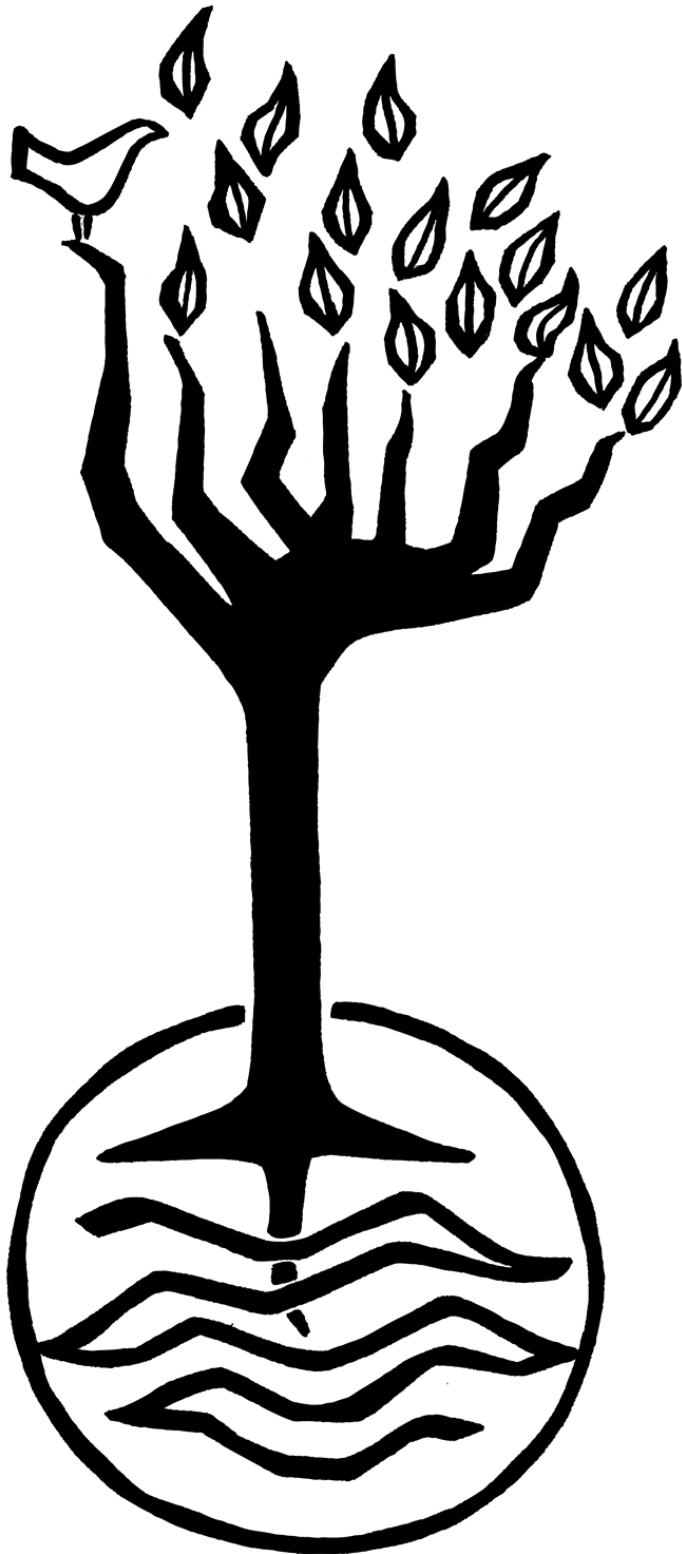


# FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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and share the love of Jesus with all people.*



## Summer Sunday Worship 2025

*8:30am at the Stave Chapel*

*10:00am at Faith Church*



## WELCOME

## GATHERING SONG

(see insert)

## GREETING

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

## SUMMER LITANY

Church of God, are you ready? **We're ready!**

Are you ready to meet the Lord? Church of God, are you ready? **We're ready!**

Are you ready to greet the Lord? Church of God, get ready! **We're ready!**

Get ready and wait for the Lord. Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall soar with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not grow faint. (*Isaiah 40:31*)

## PRAYER

Let us pray.

O God, source of our salvation: Open our ears to hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches. The Word is among us. The Spirit is present. May the Lord add a blessing to this holy Word and people. Amen

## SPECIAL MUSIC

(see insert)

## READINGS

(see insert)

## GOSPEL

(see insert)

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

INVITATION TO PRAYER

In Christ Jesus we meet the God who knows our weakness and bears the wounds of the world. Therefore, let us be bold as we pray, trusting that God draws near to those in any kind of need.

*The prayers of the people of God:* God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Into your wide embrace, O God, we place all our prayers, spoken and unspoken, trusting that you will receive them into your heart of mercy, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. **Amen.**

## PEACE

*Psalm 133:1*

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is  
for brothers and sisters to dwell together in unity!

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING (to give online, scan the QR code)



## OFFERING PRAYER

Generous God, all good gifts come from your gracious hand. We offer you this bread, wine, and money, the harvest of our time and labor. Make us wise stewards of all your gifts, that your name may be exalted in all the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 God thanks and praise.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.

## COMMUNION

*There are gluten free wafers and grape juice available - simply ask the server!*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty God,  
we thank you for feeding us with spiritual food  
the body and blood of Christ.  
All who come to you will not hunger,  
all who believe in you will not thirst.  
Empowered by this sacrament,  
send us back into the world  
to do the work you have given us to do:  
to share the gospel and be faithful disciples  
of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CHARGE TO THE PEOPLE

People of God,  
you have been called to be disciples of Christ.  
Whatever you do, in word or deed,  
do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,  
giving thanks to God through him.

## BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

## SENDING SONG

(see insert)

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Please leave this bulletin with the ushers so we may use them again.

## SUMMER MISSIONS OF THE MONTH

*Each month, Faith's Mission Committee chooses a mission of the church to give to. It helps support both ministries happening within our church walls as well as some of the ministries being done by the wider church. Checks can be made out to Faith Lutheran Church with "Mission of the Month" in the memo line. Reach out to the church office with any questions.*

### **MAY: GLLM SCHOLARSHIPS**

HELP US SEND FAITH KIDS TO CAMP! For the month of May, we are raising money to go towards paying a portion of all Faith registrations at Green Lake Lutheran Ministries this summer as well as additional scholarships for those who need it. Help kids experience the life-changing adventure that awaits for them at camp as they experience their faith in new and creative ways!

### **JUNE: VBS SCHOLARSHIPS**

Our On Site Day Camp with Peace Lutheran at Shores of St. Andrew and the Pre-K VBS here at Faith strives to provide fun and educational experiences rooted in Christ for all students ages Pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Donations collected will go to offset the price of these experiences as well as provide any scholarships to Faith members.

### **JULY: THE AMERICAN RED CROSS**

The American Red Cross, through its strong network of volunteers, donors and partners, is always there in times of need. They aspire to turn compassion into action. An average of 90 cents of every dollar the American Red Cross spends is invested in delivering care and comfort to those in need.

### **AUGUST: WILDCAT BACKPACK PROGRAM**

One in four students at the New London-Spicer Schools receives free/reduced-priced school meals. Each of these students is at risk of hunger, especially over the weekend. During the school year, each child receives a backpack of food (about 5 pounds) for the weekend. Food items are healthy, easy to open and easy to prepare. Participation in the program is voluntary and confidential. **Donations of all sizes are needed to support the program:** \$6 gets food for a week, \$60 for ten weeks, \$234 for the school year.

## SUMMER NOISY OFFERINGS

*Faith has a tradition of doing a "Noisy Offering" or a collection of coins on the fifth Sunday of the month. The money collected is donated to support a ministry that the Hospitality Committee chooses. This summer, we will have two noisy offerings throughout our summer services:*

### **June 29, 2025: Green Lake Lutheran Ministries**

*Help us give back to these incredible partners in ministry! We are so thankful for the use of the Stave Chapel for summer worship in addition to the other wonderful programs/activities that GLLM has!*

### **August 31, 2025: The Feast**

*Help us keep the cost of The Feast Meal low each year! Through generous donations and annual budgeting, we are able to keep the cost for each meal (and family maximums) low, so it's an affordable meal for all.*

*Prayers and Summer Litany language taken from the "This Far by Faith" Hymnal: Setting One Communion, River of Life.*

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# THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY!

Faith Lutheran Church of Spicer, Minnesota is delighted to have you join us for today's worship service. We are a congregation of the Southwest Minnesota Synod of the ELCA. Faith Lutheran seeks to live out this mission:

*God gathers us as a family of Faith to nurture, inspire, and share the love of Jesus with all people.*

**Faith Lutheran celebrates the Sacrament of Holy Communion** at each of our weekly services. Communion is God's gift to the church, and all are welcome at the Lord's Table. *For communion each week, there are gluten free wafers and grape juice available - simply ask the server!*

**If you have prayer concerns or are in need of pastoral care**, please contact the Faith office at 320-796-2522 and the pastors will be happy to assist you.

**Thank you to Green Lake Lutheran Ministries** who we have partnered with to use the Stave Chapel for Summer Sunday Worship for well over 50 years! It is our joy to provide an opportunity for friends and neighbors of Faith and GLLM. Your generous financial support to Faith Lutheran allows us to continue this beloved tradition.

Green Lake Lutheran Ministries, which is located along beautiful shores of Minnesota lakes, is a partnership of camps and congregations sharing the life-changing love of Jesus in vibrant camp and retreat settings. They have three sites: Green Lake Bible Camp in Spicer, MN, Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp in New London, MN and Camp House in Brimson, MN. To find out more about this amazing ministry, go to [www.gllm.org](http://www.gllm.org) or call 320-796-2181.

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