

Altar flowers

Given by Jeff & Chery Johnson
in honor of their 47th Anniversary!



SOFT OPENING OF THE GIVING OVEN

A special invitation to members of Faith Lutheran to help us test the entire process of volunteers serving pizza to the community. **Join us for our**

Soft Opening: The Giving Oven on Thursday May 21 from 4:30- 6:30pm.

- Cheese, meat lovers (with pepperoni & sausage) and pepperoni.
- Special reduced price of \$15.00 (credit card, cash or check)
- To help us know how many pizzas to plan for, please sign up at the Welcome Center or online at church website: faithspicer.org

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13:

- **Last Feast Meal and Worship** of the school year
- **ALL CHURCH EVENT: DESSERT NIGHT!** Stay after the Feast service for a yummy treat!!

SUNDAY, MAY 17:

- **Senior Recognition** at the 9:00am service
- **Teacher Recognition** during the 9:00am service
- Last day of Sunday School: **Garden Day and Lunch** at 10:00am

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning Worship (starting Sunday, May 24):

- 8:30am at the GLBC Stave Chapel (9767 Lake Ave S, Spicer)
- 10:00am at Faith (This service will be live-streamed each week)

SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY

Our high school seniors and their families are invited to attend the **9:00am worship service on Sunday, May 17, 2026.** During this service, Faith Lutheran's High School Class of 2026 will be recognized and seniors will be presented with a beautiful hand-made quilt made with love by our Faith Quilters!

The Faith Quilters would love to give you a chance to pick out your own quilt!! Starting now through Wednesday, May 13, stop by the church and connect with a staff member and pick out which quilt you would like to receive!

THANK YOU TO JOY!!

Joy White, our Education Coordinator, will be stepping down this month. We want to say **A HUGE THANK YOU** for all of the amazing ministry that she did with Faith this year!! Our Sunday School program was blessed by her service! We wish Joy many blessings on whatever comes next. If you see her around, make sure to share your thanks with her!

MAY MISSION OF THE MONTH: COMMUNITY GARDEN

Established in 2010, the Community Garden has provided an opportunity for people in our congregation and in the community to come together through the raising and harvesting of food. **Help support this amazing ministry of Faith and ensure this ministry lasts for years to come!**

We lift up in prayer...

- Lila Burmeister
- Joyce Paulson
- Janet Hillstrom
- Gloria Schultz
- Sharon Fostervold
- Roger & Bev Valentine
- Ron Lunz
- Jerry Beck
- Marnie Osmond
- Jerrod Quade, grandson of Pastor Katherine and Les Rood
- Mary Jo deCathelineau (friend of Phil & Lisa Quam) for health concerns
- Parker Randall-Nelson, Deacon Amanda's husband
- Lisa Stahl for recovery from surgery
- Tom Monson & family on the funeral of his sister
- Marvin Hey & family on the death of his brother, Charles

Nursery care is available. Our nursery is staffed on Sundays from 8:30am to 11:00am and on Wednesdays from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. **For our nursing mothers,** there is a private nursing room in the back of the nursery available for use.

Interested in becoming a member here at Faith Lutheran Church? Please connect with a staff member and our main office will reach out to you to answer any questions and get you any information needed!

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

Lead Pastor: Tim Routh

Pastor: Katherine Rood

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Sunday, May 10, 2026
Sixth Sunday of Easter



FAITH
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nurture | inspire | share

WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb! **Amen.**

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you. **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you. **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you. **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

Unexpected and Mysterious

ELW 258

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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. **Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

Children of the Heavenly Father/Yes Jesus Loves Me arr. Sean Paul

Faith Chancel Choir

FIRST READING: Acts 17:22-31

PSALM (read responsively): Psalm 66:8-20

⁸ Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard,
⁹ **who has kept us among the living and has not let our feet slip.**
¹⁰ For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried.
¹¹ **You brought us into the net; you laid burdens on our backs;**
¹² you let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.

¹³ **I will come into your house with burnt offerings; I will pay you my vows,**

¹⁴ those that my lips uttered and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

¹⁵ **I will offer to you burnt offerings of fatted calves, with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams; I will make an offering of bulls and goats.**

¹⁶ Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for me.

¹⁷ **I cried aloud to him, and he was extolled with my tongue.**

¹⁸ If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.

¹⁹ **But truly God has listened; he has heard the words of my prayer.**

²⁰ Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me.

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3:13-22

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL READING: John 14:15-21

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**
The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Loving Spirit

ELW 397 (Verses 1-3, & 5)

APOSTLE'S CREED

Together we confess our faith... **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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

PEACE

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

OFFERING - (Online giving with QR Code)

OFFERING SPECIAL MUSIC
You Make Beautiful Things

Faith Chancel Choir
arranged by Katherine Ragan



OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, **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 our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.
(Gluten free wafers & grape juice are available - simply ask your server)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ☩ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth

ELW 735

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia! **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

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