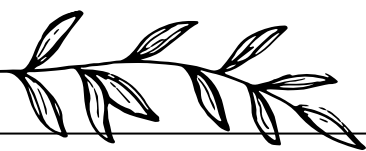


Congratulations to the Class of 2026!



- Ava Baker
- Adrianna Bratsch
- Addison Buboltz
- Hayden Downey
- Rylie Harrier
- Harper Hoffman
- Asher King
- Roxanne Klein
- Ella Olson
- Evan Palmquist
- Maddie Prentice
- Emma Ruter
- Aubrey Sundstrom
- Griffin Thompson
- Lily Verch
- Jase White



Altar flowers

Given by the Faith Pastors in honor of all of the **amazing** volunteers who made OWL Camp possible!

SOFT OPENING OF THE GIVING OVEN

A special invitation to members of Faith to help us test the process of serving pizza and also dedicating & blessing this new ministry! **Join us for our Soft Opening: The Giving Oven on Thursday May 21 from 4:30- 6:30pm.**

- Cheese, meat lovers (3 meats) 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
 - **The online ordering window will open on Sunday May 17th and will close Wednesday May 20th at noon.** Walk-ups also welcome!

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning Worship (starting next 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)

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!**

NOISY OFFERING: SUNDAY, MAY 31

Collect your coins! All proceeds will go to Water's Edge Ministries.

We lift up in prayer...

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

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

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Sunday, May 17, 2026
Seventh 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.

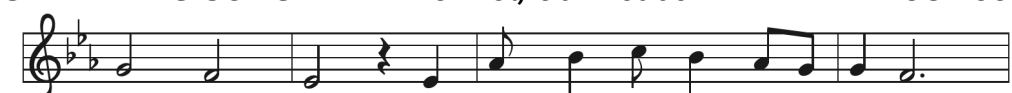
Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you. **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

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 *Christ, Our Peace* ACS 1037



Christ, our peace, you break down the walls that di - vide us;



Christ, our peace, come, make us one bod - y in you.

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. **O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Recognition of Teachers

FIRST READING: Acts 1:6-14

PSALM (read responsively): Psalm 68:1-10

¹ Let God rise up; let his enemies be scattered; let those who hate him flee before him.

² **As smoke is driven away, so drive them away; as wax melts before the fire, let the wicked perish before God.**

³ But let the righteous be joyful; let them exult before God; let them be jubilant with joy.

⁴ **Sing to God; sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides upon the clouds—his name is the Lord—be exultant before him**

⁵ Father of orphans and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation.

⁶ **God gives the desolate a home to live in; he leads out the prisoners to prosperity, but the rebellious live in a parched land.**

⁷ O God, when you went out before your people, when you marched through the wilderness,

⁸ **the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.**

⁹ Rain in abundance, O God, you showered abroad; you restored your heritage when it languished;

¹⁰ **your flock found a dwelling in it; in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.**

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

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

GOSPEL READING: John 17:1-11

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 *That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright* ELW 384

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 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

SENDING SONG *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds* ELW 367 vs 1, 2

Senior Recognition & Quilts

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.**

DISMISSAL

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

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