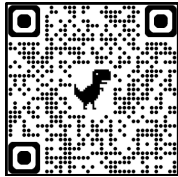


SEPTEMBER MISSION OF THE MONTH: FREEZER MEALS MINISTRY
This is a creative ministry here at Faith Lutheran Church! Throughout the year, a group gets together to make 4 different delicious meals. Participants get to take home one of each of these meals for their families to enjoy back home, and extra meals are made to be given out for Faith visitation and support visits. These wonderful meals help spread God's love through food!

WOMEN, WINE & THE WORD BIBLE STUDY
Thursday, September 25 @ 6:00pm | 3895 60th Ave NE, Willmar
Join together with some other awesome women for an evening of devotion led by Pastor Katherine and fun fellowship! Jennifer Davenport is hosting the September event!

FALL ENDOWMENT APPLICATIONS
The applications for Fall Endowment Grants are now open! To learn more about the Endowment Grants available and to access the application, go to faithspicer.org - CONNECT tab or scan the QR code - deadline is Oct. 6



SUNDAY SCHOOL KIDS SINGING IN WORSHIP
On **Sunday, September 28**, the Sunday School kids will be singing in worship! (Meet outside the kid's worship room at 8:45am that morning!)

THE LUTEFISK OPENER IS COMING!!
Save the date for **Saturday, October 25!** Volunteer sign ups are in the Gathering Area as well as online - THANK YOU for helping!

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR UPCOMING S.S. SERVICE PROJECT!
Sunday, October 26, our Sunday School children will be learning about kindness and helping others in need. As part of our lesson, we will be creating Homeless Care Kits to share with those who may be struggling in our community.

We invite each family to bring a few small items to help us fill these kits. Here are some suggestions:

- Travel-size toiletries (soap, shampoo, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrush, floss)
- Warm adult socks or gloves
- Non-perishable snacks (granola bars, trail mix, crackers)
- Bottled water
- Small packs of tissues or hand wipes
- Lip balm
- Can Openers
- Hand Warmers
- Six Quarters for dryers at laundromat
- Notes of encouragement or prayers (handmade by the children!)

Please bring your items by **October 22** and drop into the tub next to the Lion's shoe donation box under the east wall coat rack so we can assemble the kits together during Sunday School.

We lift up in prayer...

- Lila Burmeister
- Marlys Jacobson
- Kim Routh, Pastor Tim's sister-in-law
- Bev Valentine
- Pastor Paul Idstrom & family on the death of his wife, Ruth Idstrom
- The family & loved ones of Rev. Dr. Stanley Norris Olson (former Bishop of SWMN) on his death
- Carter Stenberg & family on the death of his wife, Louise Stenberg



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.

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, September 21, 2025
15th Sunday after Pentecost



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WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper. **Amen.**

Trusting in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful and loving God, **we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.**

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of ☩ Jesus, your sins are forgiven! **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

All Who Are Thirsty ACS 981

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. **God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Retirement of Old & Dedication of New Paraments

SPECIAL MUSIC

Faith Chancel Choir

FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7

PSALM (read responsively): Psalm 113

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

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

GOSPEL READING: Luke 16:1-13

The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Let Streams of Living Justice

ELW 710

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

God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

PEACE

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

OFFERING - (Online giving with QR Code)

SPECIAL MUSIC DURING OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, 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 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**



Faith Chancel Choir

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

Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy. *(Gluten free wafers & grape juice are available - simply ask your server)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus’ name. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, ☩ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

We Give Thee but Thine Own ELW 686

DISMISSAL

Go in peace! Do not lose heart! **Thanks be to God!**

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