

**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.*

**Nursery care is available.** Our nursery is staffed on Sundays from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**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.

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

#### Fall Worship Schedule

Sundays:

9 a.m.	Worship
10 a.m.	Fellowship
10 a.m.	Sunday School

Wednesdays "The Feast":

5:15 p.m.	Meal
6 p.m.	Worship
6:35 p.m.	Seeds & Sprouts, Confirmation, Adult Educational Opportunities
7:35 p.m.	Faith Chancel Choir

**Note: 10/24 No Sunday School (Fall Break)**  
**10/20 No Confirmation (Fall Break)**

*Out of town for the weekend? Find our worship services on our YouTube channel, Facebook page, or website.*

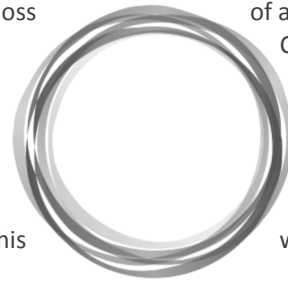
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~Nathan and Jason Saetveit, sons of Jerry and Margaret Saetveit  
~Pat Carlson  
~Lila Burmeister  
~John Ashburn, son in law of Dean and Paulette Lindquist  
~Virgil Buboltz, father of Mike Buboltz  
~Dan Quale and family, at the passing of Marcia Quale

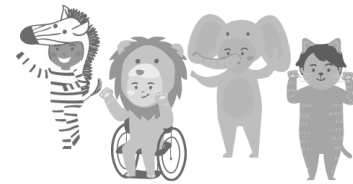
#### Circle of Support

The past 18 months or so have been difficult for many, especially those who have experienced the loss of a loved one, a relationship, or job change due to COVID. Faith has established a "Circle of Support" group to share information, give support, provide a safe place to share your journey, and see how beneficial a few laughs can be. The next gathering of this group is Wednesday, October 20th at 6:35p.m. in the Fireside Room with David Rivers and his wife as guest speakers.



#### Glen Oaks Field Trip Time!

#### 10/31 Field Trip to Glen Oaks



**Who:** Faith Church Sunday School Kids + anyone else that wants to join!  
**What:** Walking Around outside of Glen Oaks and waving to residents  
**When:** October 31st @ 10:00-11:00  
**Where:** Glen Oaks in New London  
**Why:** To spread Joy and Happiness

**Details:** The Faith bus will be leaving church at 10:00. We will be outside the entire time. Dress warm! For the safety of the residents, we won't be able to use the bathrooms. Wear a costume and make a sign for the residents to read.  
**Sign ideas:** Have a nice day!, God loves you!, You are loved!, Happy Halloween! We'll have extra signs to share!

The Faith Lutfisk Team has determined that the date for the 2021 LUTEFISK OPENER, will be **November 13th**. The meal will be offered as a Take and Make event rather than a sit-down meal due to the ongoing COVID concerns. We are now taking orders for these takeout lutfisk dinners. Simply contact the church office at 320-796-2522 to register or download the order form from our website. Order soon as the number of meals will be limited. All proceeds after expenses will go directly to support the youth programs here at Faith.



**Serving on Sundays**  
Volunteers help make worship and fellowship hour go smoothly. We would greatly appreciate your help if you're able to assist!

Sunday, October 17, 2021



#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the Holy Trinity (+), the creator of all, the redeemer of all, and the sustainer of all. **Amen.**

Let us pause to consider and confess our sins in the presence of God and one another.

*silence for reflection*

Merciful God, **we confess that we have fallen into the snare of sin and selfishness and cannot work our way out. We have failed to fully live in the covenant of your love. We turn away from your grace and do not live graciously with those around us. We are blinded by self ambition that turns us inward rather than turning toward you and our neighbors. Forgive us, Lord. Set us free from the bonds of sin, so we might live in loving service to you, our neighbors, and the world. Through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Beloved of God, in love Jesus blesses us with the new wine of goodness and grace. At God's table, we are fed an abundant feast of forgiveness. At the font, we are washed clean. And by his death on the cross and his rising, we are raised to new life. In the Father, Son, and (+) Holy Spirit we are forgiven and freed to proclaim God's miraculous ways and minister to all in need. **Amen.**

#### GATHERING SONG

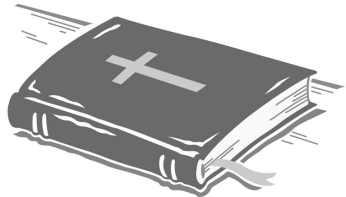
HYMN All Who Hunger Gather Gladly ELW #461

#### 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.**

#### KYRIE

ELW p184-5



PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Together, let us pray. **Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE ACCLAMATION

Please stand as we sing the Scripture Acclamation

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah ELW#172

READING Matthew 14:13-21  
God speaks, we live. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

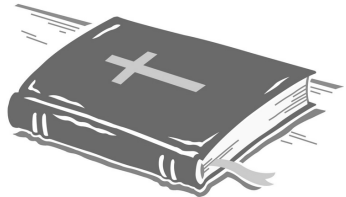
HYMN Lord Whose Love in Humble Service ELW #712

APOSTLES’ 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

Lord, in your mercy.  
**Hear our prayer.**

PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN We Are an Offering ELW #692

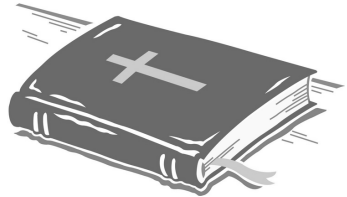
OFFERING PRAYER  
Together, let us pray. **God of miracles and ministry, thank you for the wonders and signs of your presence among us. You abundantly bless us with gifts that strengthen and sustain us. Thank you. Today we offer these gifts to strengthen and sustain the ministry we are called to share. We ask you to miraculously multiply these gifts as they are shared to strengthen and sustain all your people. 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  
Lord help us begin anew and teach us to pray...

**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.**



INVITATION TO COMMUNION  
Come to the table where mercy and grace freely flow.

DISTRIBUTION/HYMNS  
We Come to the Hungry Feast ELW #479  
Let Us Break Bread Together ELW #471

BLESSING  
The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us forever in God’s grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION  
Lord Jesus, in the miracle of bread broken and wine poured, we are fed with forgiveness and gifted with grace. Strengthened and sustained with this gift of life, send us to minister to the needs of those in the world around us. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION  
  
HYMN Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness ELW #843

DISMISSAL  
As witnesses to miracles and ministry, go in peace serving God and your neighbors. **We will! Thanks be to God.**

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