

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Faith Lutheran Church

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Vision Statement:

***“Faith Lutheran Church: a Christ-centered, welcoming,
faith community.”***

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS - *Please stand as you are able
All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding
minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider,
help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding
rather than trusting in you.**

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

**Share with us the words of eternal life
and feed us for life in the world.**

Amen.

Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, ✙ the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:

you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN:

Red Book # 729 (all verses)

"The Church of Christ, in Every Age"

GREETING

P- The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C – And also with you.

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



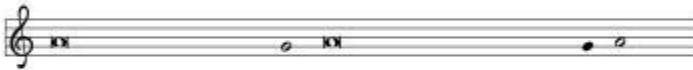
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

INTRODUCTION OF THE DAY –

Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied.

FIRST READING: 2 Kings 4:42-44

OT pg. 336

L- The Word of the Lord.

C- Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 145:10-18

¹⁰ All your works shall praise you, O Lord,
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

¹¹ **They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power,**

¹² that all people may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

¹³ **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion
endures throughout all ages.**

**You, Lord, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your
works.**

¹⁴ The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

¹⁵ **The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord,
and you give them their food in due season.**

¹⁶ You open wide your hand
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

¹⁷ **You are righteous in all your ways
and loving in all your works.**

¹⁸ You are near to all who call upon you,
to all who call upon you faithfully.

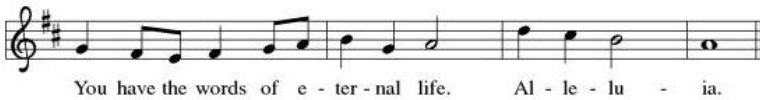
SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:14-21

NT pg. 193

L- The Word of the Lord.

C- **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION - *Please stand as you are able.*



P – The Holy Gospel according to John, the 6th chapter...

C– **Glory to you, O Lord.**

- HOLY GOSPEL: John 6:1-21

NT pg. 97-98

P – The Gospel of the Lord.

C– **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Please stand as you are able*

Red Book #712 (all verses) *“Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”*

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - *If needed, you may be seated.*

L – In your mercy,

C- hear our prayer.

L - ... trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

C- Amen.

MEAL

GREETING OF PEACE

P - The peace of the lord be with you always.

C- And also with you.

Please share a greeting of peace with those we are with. You may be seated

OFFERTORY: *Musical Offering*

DOXOLOGY – *Please stand as you are able*

Red Book #884 *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray:

Jesus, Bread of life,

**you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.**

**Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.**

**Make us to be what we receive here,
your body for the life of the world. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P- The Lord be with you.

C- And also with you.

P- Lift up your hearts.

C- We lift them to the Lord.

P- Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C- It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P- You are indeed holy...as we proclaim Lord's death until he comes,

C- Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P-be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

C- Amen

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

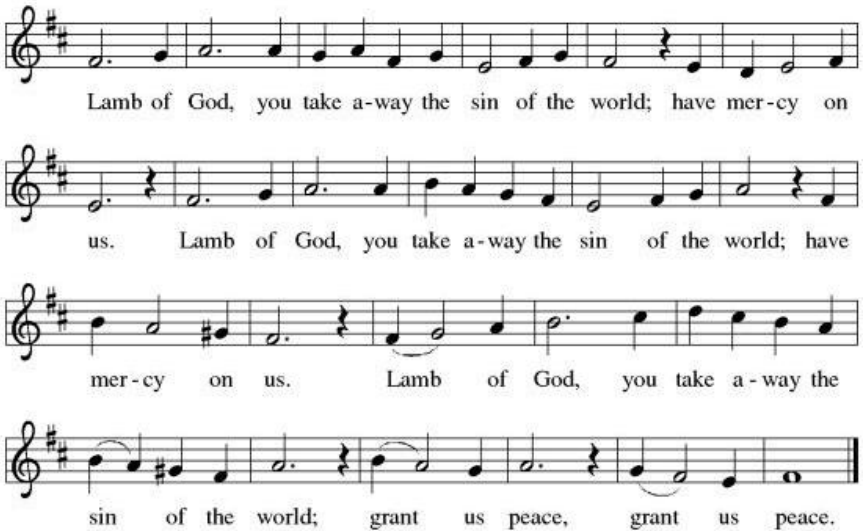
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

Behold the Lamb of God That Takes Away the Sin of the World

AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION- *Please be seated.*

COMMUNION HYMN:

Red Book #592 (all verses)

"Just As I Am, without One Plea"

BLESSING – *Please stand as you are able.*

P- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C- Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray:

**Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray.
Amen.**

SENDING

BENEDICTION

The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN:

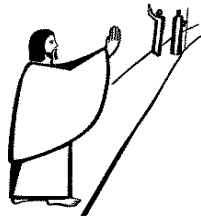
Red Book #731 (all verses)

“Earth and All Stars”

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



Special welcome to any visitors among us.

Please stay afterwards for some Fellowship. Coffee & Tea

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FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

❖ *Silence should be observed as you enter the Sanctuary.* ❖
Our live stream begins at the start of the Prelude (10:20AM), and conversations held in the sanctuary can be heard by all who are viewing. To respect those who are viewing/meditating, we encourage you to hold conversations/greet others in the lobby.
Thank you for understanding.

ATTENTION

Pastor Rita is available by phone for any pastoral needs you may have. She can be reached at 1-312-478-6212.

SERVING TODAY

July 28th
Presiding Minister Rev. Rita Chirala
Crucifer ---
Lector Martha Cowan
Communion Assistant Jeanne Wellington

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Organist/Pianist Dave Erfourth
Music Director Ruth Ann Brindley
Usher *Volunteer*
 Volunteer
Altar Workers Cynthia Wright
 Nancy Gillotte

Activities & Meetings-- July 28th – August 4th

SUNDAY	10:30am	Worship
		Coffee Hour
MONDAY	1:00pm	Quilting
TUESDAY	9:30am	Yoga
WEDNESDAY		
THURSDAY	9:30am	Yoga
FRIDAY		
SATURDAY		

Stewardship...Resources...Blessings and Gifts

Monthly Giving Level required to meet 2024 budget	\$ 11,880.00
Gifts: month of June 2024 : General Giving	\$11,273.10

Thank YOU for continuing to support the mission and ministry at Faith Lutheran!
Contributions may be mailed to the church at: 1600 Park Street, SSM, MI, 49783.

❖ **Today we raise up our friend, Mary Oja** — Our homebound and nursing home members are often so isolated that your phone call, visit, even a card can mean the difference between lonely existence and continued life in our faith community. What can you do? Please reach out to those who have been such a vital part of our congregation.

❖ **Jack Armstrong's address:** If you are thinking of sending a **card** to Jack Armstrong, his address is: 528 Clubhouse Boulevard New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168

❖ **Fortune Lake Summer Camp 2024:** Please let Pastor Rita know if your child or grandchild is interested in joining summer camp this year.

❖ **WELCA-** There is no meeting in July- the next meeting will be on August 9th

❖ **Celebration of Life for Saara Raappana-** on Wednesday, August 7th at Faith Lutheran Church at 2pm. All are welcome.

❖ **Flower Arrangement-** If you would like to have special flowers on the altar in honor of a birthday, memory, or anniversary, please contact Lily Randall to make arrangements.

*Altar flowers displayed in generosity of:
Lily Randall*





~PRAYER LIST~

If there is someone you wish to have added to the prayer list, please leave a note in the office. Thank you. We are praying for: Beverly Tankersly, Pastor Matthew Lamb, Connie Mattson, Robert Mastey, Eric Marken, Linda Doran, Bill Markstrom, Pastor George Kaiser, Tom Kelly, Mark Sheppard, Kemp Whitaker, Al Picotte, Dixie Picotte, Jack Armstrong, Louise Armstrong, Bernie Vail, Bob Mattson, Angela Cole, Paula Locker, Catherine & Gerry Wilson, Mark Anderson, Mike Swiney, Bob Aldrich, and Family & Friends of Bill Robinson, and Gary Markstrom



**The nursery is not available at this time –
Changing tables are in each rest room.**



**Hearing assist devices are available.
Please ask an usher.**



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CATHY TIBBETT, DENNIS BRINDLEY, KATHY FLICKINGER, SANDY LAWSON,
KEN RANDALL, BEN DEATRICK, AL PICOTTE, AND CYNTHIA WRIGHT.



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