

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

THE ORCHARD PROJECT



Goodness

June 27 & 28, 2026

PERSEVERING
IN LOVE



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gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law." Galatians 5:22-23

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him! Psalm 34:8

Welcome as we gather in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and continue our journey through The Orchard Project.

This week we reflect upon the fruit of the Spirit known as goodness. Supremely, God is good. His goodness is not simply reflected in creation, but the goodness of His grace, faithfulness and saving work on behalf of His people.

Throughout Scripture, God's goodness is revealed again and again. We see it in creation (Genesis 1), redemption from Egypt and care in the wilderness (Exodus 18:9), the gift of the Promised Land (Joshua 24:20), His teaching and law (Jeremiah 6:16), forgiveness (Hosea 3:5), care for the needy (Psalm 68:10), strength in times of trouble (Nahum 1:7) and the promise of restoration (Zechariah 8:15; Jeremiah 32:40). Ultimately, God's goodness is fulfilled in Jesus Christ (Titus 3:4), proclaimed through the Gospel (Hebrews 6:5) and made known in the new life He gives (Philippians 1:6).

As we consider the fruit of goodness, we are reminded that goodness is more than being nice or doing good deeds. It is the reflection of God's character at work within us through the Holy Spirit. As God pours out His goodness upon us, He also produces that goodness in our lives for the benefit of others.

The Lord is good to those who seek Him, trust Him and wait upon Him in hope. Through His Word today, may He strengthen our faith, deepen our confidence in His promises and continue to cultivate within us the fruit of goodness.

Following worship, we invite you to join us at the Three Crosses as we pray for Lecanto Preserve, our surrounding neighborhoods and the entire community God has called us to serve. May the Lord's goodness be made known through us as we seek His blessing upon those around us.



ENTER HIS *Presence*



✠ Worship Divine Service One ✠

Opening Hymn
(please stand)

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

LSB 686

Invocation & Confession

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God, our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for his sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

✠ Hearing His Word ✠

Introit

Psalm 34:1-10

P: I will bless the Lord at all times;

C: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

P: My soul makes its boast in the Lord;

C: let the humble hear and be glad.

P: Oh, magnify the Lord with me,

C: and let us exalt his name together!

P: *I sought the Lord, and he answered me*

C: and delivered me from all my fears.

P: *Those who look to him are radiant,*

C: and their faces shall never be ashamed.

P: *This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him*

C: and saved him out of all his troubles.

P: *The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.*

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

A: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: *Oh, fear the Lord, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack!*

C: The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Kyrie

P: *In peace let us pray to the Lord.*



Lord, have mer - cy.

P: *For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.*



Lord, have mer - cy.

P: *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.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P: Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord.



C A - men.

Gloria In Excelsis

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Salutation And Collect Of The Day

P: The Lord be with you



C And al - so with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, by the working of Your Holy Spirit, grant that we may gladly hear Your Word proclaimed among us and follow its directing; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

(please be seated)

First Reading

Amos 5:6-7,14-15

Seek the Lord and live, lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel, you who turn justice to wormwood and cast down righteousness to the earth!

Seek good, and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, as you have said. Hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

James 1:12-18

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

L: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C: Thanks be to God.

(please stand)

Sharing God's Peace

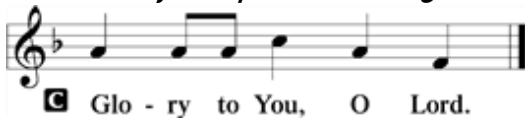
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Holy Gospel

Mark 10:17-22

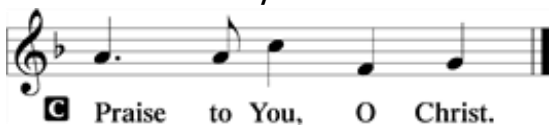
P: *The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.*



As [Jesus] was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, *Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?* And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.'" And he said to him, *Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth.* And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor,

and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(please be seated)

Hymn Of Praise

Goodness of God

Gina Galligar

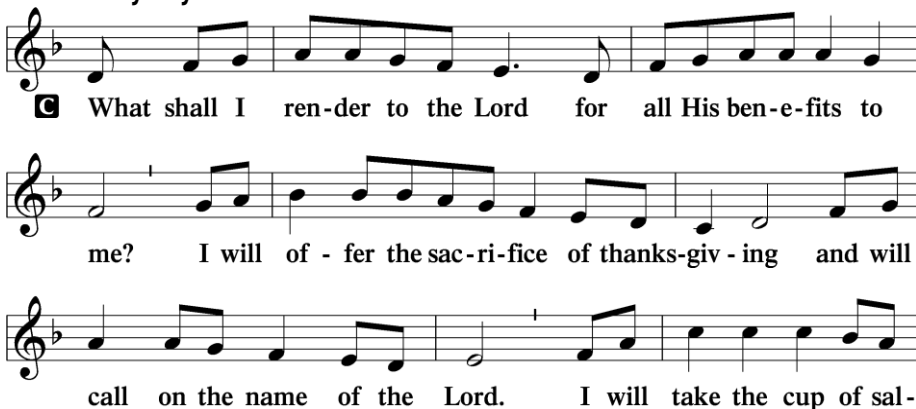
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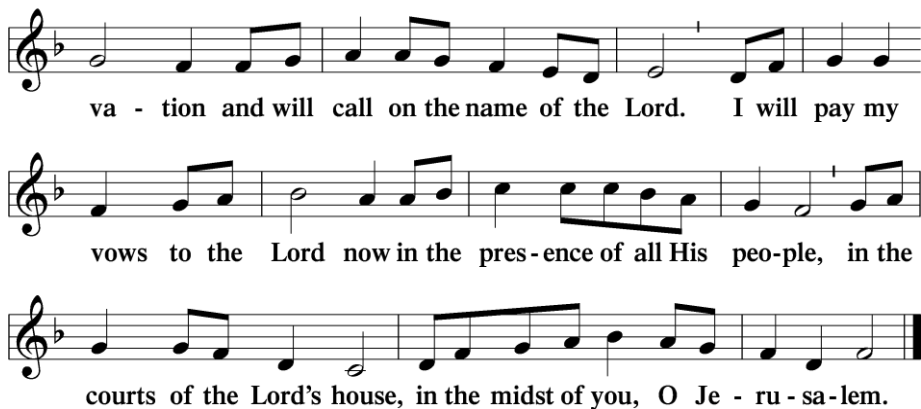
THE ORCHARD PROJECT: Persevering in Love

Gathering Of The Offerings

(please stand)

Offertory Hymn





Prayers Of The Church

The 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.

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you, and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor † and give you peace.



(please be seated)

Announcements

Closing Hymn

Battle Hymn of the Republic

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Silent Prayer

Community Prayer Time *Please remain after the closing hymn.*

Following worship, we will gather outside for a brief time of prayer, followed by refreshments and fellowship. All encouraged to stay.

Prayers Of The Church

- ✝ Father and Son, together we give You thanks and praise for the gift of Your Holy Spirit, and through this the gift of salvation, and faith in You, our One True God. Especially through this season, as we seek to cultivate the fruit of the Spirit, lead us to connect more fully with that which You have sent to dwell in the hearts of all believers. Let our connection with Your Holy Spirit grow so close that we begin to see this fruit overflow in our lives and into the lives of all those around us. Let us be open to all the good works You will accomplish, in, with and through us by the power of this Spirit. Let love take root, let joy flow, let peace reign, let us rest in patience, show kindness, and always practice goodness in our walk each day.
- ✝ Father God, we bring You our prayers and petitions for all those we know and love who are in need of Your healing. Hear us now as we name these aloud, and lift up all the others in the silence of our hearts. Hear our prayers for Philomena (granddaughter of LuAnn Cooke), Elise Gorman, Alena Fakhari, Russ Reque (step-brother of Carla Nicklas), Amanda, Patti Smith, Deb Schmidt, Laurie Hinton, Leigh Fulford, Dee Bright, Ray Bangel, Lisa Holzward, Louie Lott, Bob Holthaus, Sally & Dean Moore, Amy, Richard Pruefer, Muriel Hanny, Cindy Rockwell, Henry Striegl, Lois Schick, Jerry Marquette, Bill Engelbrecht, Gina Galligar, Phyllis Jodis.
- ✝ Perfect healing comes to us “O Lord” when You take us home to be with You in paradise. We give You thanks and praise for Your gracious kindness shown to Connie Weiss these past few weeks, and especially on Monday of this week when You gathered her into Your loving arms. Bless Karen, Deb, and Den, her children and all of their families as they mourn Connie's passing and celebrate the gift of her salvation. Enshroud them with Your peace, which surpasses our human understanding.
- ✝ Lord Jesus, the Church You gave the disciples to shepherd is thriving here at Faith Lutheran Church in the hearts, minds, and actions of her people. Other gifts You have given us here are this beautiful facility and grounds. We give You thanks and praise O Lord for the ones who care for, maintain and better our facility day-by-day and year to year. Bless this crew of Trustees, their leader, Dee Sobocienski and those who walk alongside this crew in their work in the church. Give them joy in their vocation, peace in their fellowship, and continue to let them experience Your love in all they do in Your name.

Fragrance-Free Seating & Hearing Assistance A fragrance-free seating area is available for those with sensitivities. Hearing assistance devices are also available - please see an usher before worship.

Celebration Singers: This Means You! Our special United We Stand worship services are just one week away! In celebration of the 250th anniversary of our nation's founding, we invite everyone who loves to sing to join together as one voice for this special Celebration Singers event.

Rehearsal is this Wednesday, July 1st at 5:00 PM, followed by a BBQ dinner provided by Pastor. The Celebration Singers will then sing at both worship services on July 4th & 5th.

Thank you to everyone who has already signed up! If you would still like to participate, please speak with Vicki Mueller or Pastor for more information.

Did you know? Pastor Galligar is available to meet with you at your home, a local coffee shop or the church office at your convenience. Whether you are facing a difficult season, recovering from illness, navigating a major life change or simply would like someone to talk and pray with, you do not have to walk through it alone.

At Faith Lutheran Church, we are committed to praying for one another, encouraging one another and bearing one another's burdens as the family of Christ. If you would like others to join you in prayer, requests may be submitted using the yellow prayer cards in the pews, online at faithlecanto.org/prayer or by emailing prayer@faithlecanto.org. Requests may be shared with the congregation or kept confidential.

Do you know someone who could use prayer, encouragement or pastoral care? Members and non-members alike are welcome. By connecting someone with Pastor Galligar, you are helping Faith Lutheran be a beacon of God's love in our community.

For assistance, please contact Pastor Galligar at (812) 350-7820 or the church office at (352) 527-3325. Office Hours: Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM–1:00 PM.

Opportunities To Serve There are many ways to serve here at Faith Lutheran—whether welcoming others, supporting worship, caring for our church, serving behind the scenes or lifting others up in prayer. Current opportunities include:

*Ushers • Trustees • Elders • Prayer Team • Sound Room Team • Children's Ministries
Offering Counters • Finance Team • Office Volunteers*

If you feel called to serve, we invite you to take the next step. Speak with Pastor Galligar or a member of the Church Council to learn more about where your gifts can be used. Together, we serve as God's hands and feet in this place.

Altar Flowers Honor or remember a loved one with altar flowers. Two bouquets are placed in the Sanctuary each week. The cost is \$40. Sign up in the flower book in the Narthex. Following worship, flowers may be taken home or donated. Questions? Contact Betty Marquette at (352) 651-8905.

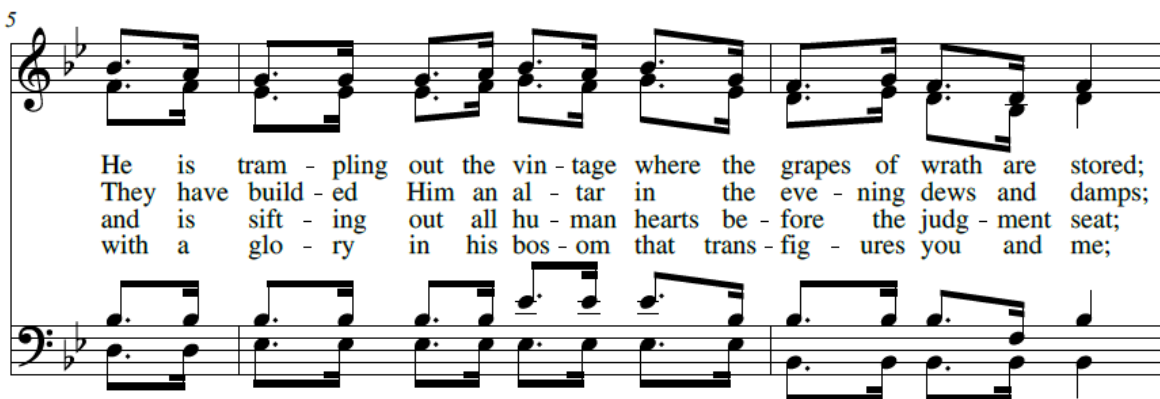
Battle Hymn of the Republic

Verse



Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the com - ing of the Lord;
I have seen Him in the watch - fires of a hun - dred cir - cling camps;
God has sound - ed forth the trum - pet that shall nev - er call re - treat
In the beau - ty of the lil - ies Christ was born a - cross the sea,

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He is tram - pling out the vin - tage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
They have build - ed Him an al - tar in the eve - ning dews and damps;
and is sift - ing out all hu - man hearts be - fore the judg - ment seat;
with a glo - ry in his bos - om that trans - fig - ures you and me;

8



He hath loosed the fate - ful light - ning of His ter - ri - ble swift sword;
I can read the right - eous sen - tence by the dim and flar - ing lamps;
O be swift, my soul, to an - swer; O be ju - bi - lant my feet!
as he died to make us ho - ly, let us live to make all free,

11

His truth is march - ing on.
 His day is march - ing on.
 Our God is march - ing on.
 while God is march - ing on.

14

Refrain

Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - - jah!

16

Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - - jah!

18

Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - - jah!

20

His truth is march - ing on.



LIFE TOGETHER AT FAITH

Gathered in Worship

Saturday	29
Sunday	63
Total Worship	92
Civil Discourse	16
Sunday School	12
Ladies Bible Study	6



Giving at Faith

Week	Budget Giving	Plan	Over/Under Budget
22	4,599	4,500	99
23	8,984	7,000	1,984
24	2,886	6,000	-3,114
25	4,003	5,000	-997

Scan QR code to give online. Questions?

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Celebrating Together

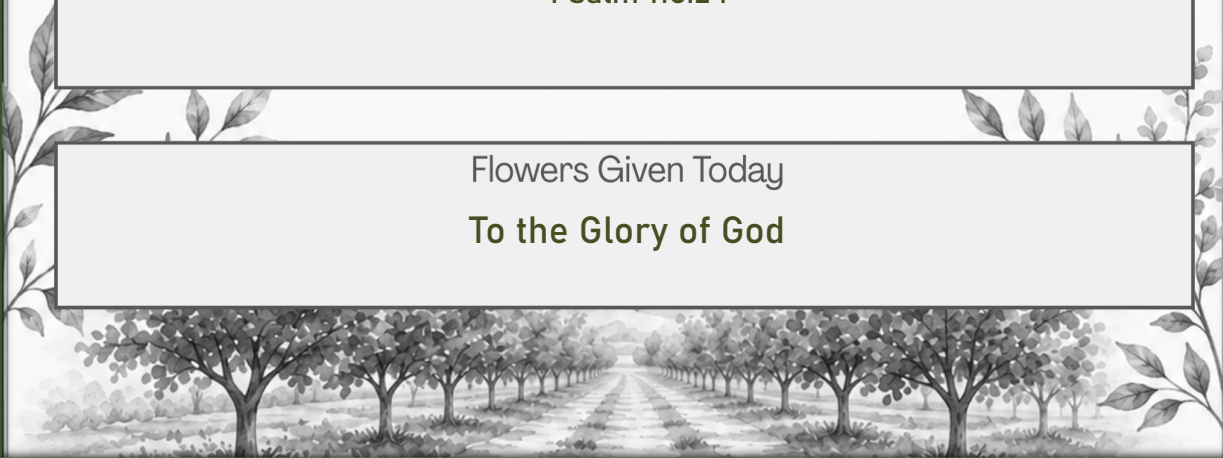
Happy Birthday
June 29th Karen Bollman
July 4th Nancy Griffin

Wedding Anniversary
June 29th Philip & Karis Geistfeld

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."
— Psalm 118:24

Flowers Given Today

To the Glory of God



**THIS
WEEK**
AT FAITH

June 29th through July 5th

Monday	8:30 AM	Men of Faith Monday @ Papa J's Diner
Thursday	10:00 AM	Ladies Bible Study – FH Classroom <i>The Pursuit of God</i> , led by Delores Clouse
	2:00 PM	Ukulele Group - Narthex
Friday	9:00 AM	Stitch N' Tie – FH
Saturday	5:00 PM	Worship - Sanctuary (fellowship time to follow)
Sunday	9:30 AM	Worship - Sanctuary (fellowship time to follow)

Men Of Faith Start your week with breakfast @Papa J's Diner for fellowship and God's Word! Discussing "Southern Kingdom – Time of Reckoning" Isaiah 11 & 12. Contact: Alan Benner (515) 240-7905.

Ladies Bible Study Join us as we continue *The Pursuit of God* by A.W. Tozer, led by Delores Clouse. We are exploring what it means to pursue a deeper relationship with God. New participants are always welcome—it's never too late to join us! Contact Delores at (515) 729-1501.

Ukulele Group Join us for an afternoon of music, fellowship and fun as our Ukulele Group continues its summer gatherings. New participants are always welcome! Contact Joy Wilson at (352) 726-0406.

Stitch N' Tie is on a short summer pause and will resume *Friday, July 10th*. We look forward to stitching and crafting together again! Contact: Ann Panas (262) 993-4068.

****Looking Ahead****

Vacation Bible School Tropical Trek VBS is coming July 13th–17th, and excitement is building with children already registered and volunteers preparing for a great week of faith, fun and adventure!

Please continue to keep our VBS children, families and volunteers in your prayers, and help spread the word to friends, neighbors and grandchildren.

Ladies of Faith Summer Luncheon Join us Wednesday, July 23 at 12:00 PM at Wallace's at the Greenhouse in Homosassa for food, fellowship and fun. A sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex.

Questions or need a ride? Contact Carla Nicklas at (352) 257-1480.





LITTLE SPROUTS

GROWING
IN FAITH



Taste and See! Have you ever tasted something really good? Maybe it was a juicy watermelon on a hot summer day, a sweet strawberry picked right from the garden or your favorite dessert after dinner. When something tastes really good, we often want to share it with others and tell them all about it!

In today's Psalm, David says: *Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!* Psalm 34:8

Of course, we cannot literally taste God. David is teaching us that when we trust God and experience His love, care and promises, we discover just how good He is.

God's goodness is all around us every day. He gives us families and friends who love us. He provides food to eat, homes to live in and people who care for us. He listens when we pray and helps us when we are afraid or worried.

Best of all, God showed His goodness by sending Jesus. Jesus loves us, forgives our sins and promises to be with us forever. Because of Jesus, we can know that God is always good, even on days when life is difficult.

As God's children, the Holy Spirit helps His goodness grow in our hearts. We show God's goodness when we help others, tell the truth, share what we have, forgive someone who hurt us and choose what is right even when it is hard.

Just as apples grow on a healthy tree, goodness grows in the lives of those who follow Jesus.

The more we know God, the more we discover: *God is good, and His goodness grows in us!*

Count God's Good Gifts God gives us many good gifts every day. Look at the apples on the tree. Inside each apple, write or draw something God has given you or a way God has been good to you.

Some ideas:

- Family
- Friends
- Food
- Church
- Pets
- A favorite hobby

- A Bible story
- Someone who loves you
- Jesus

How many good gifts can you think of? Fill the tree, color it and thank God for His goodness!

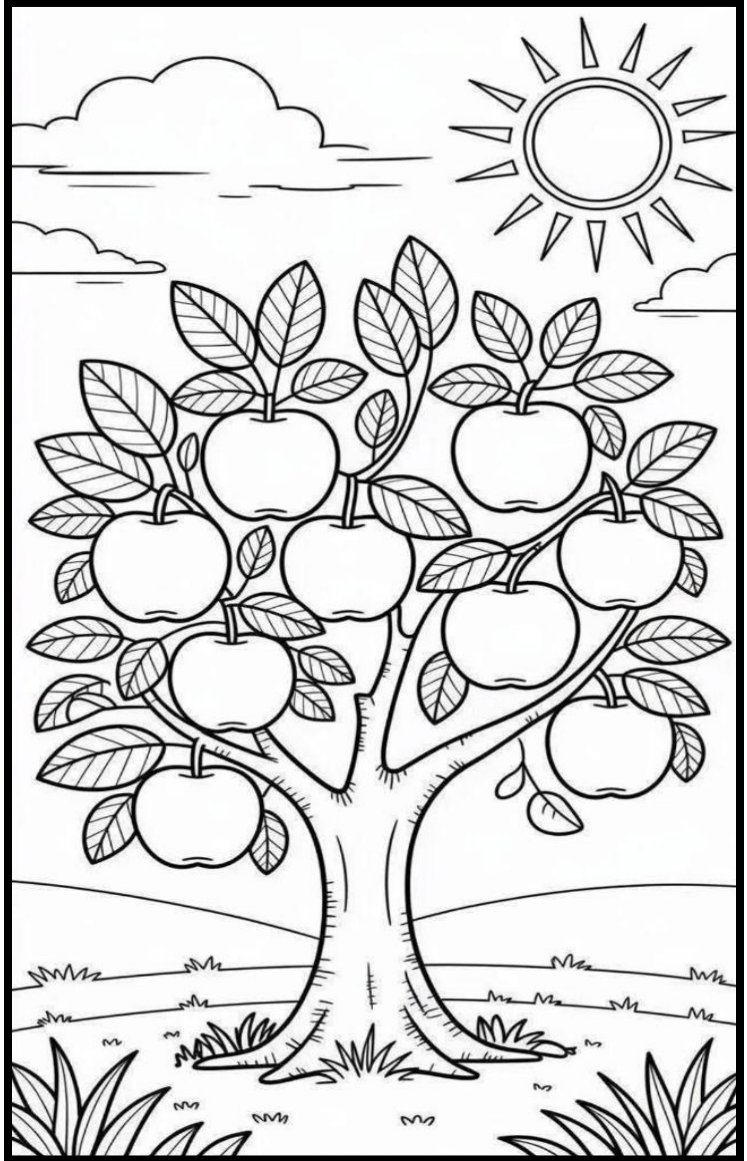
My Orchard Challenge: Pass It On
God's goodness is a gift. This week, choose one way to pass His goodness on to someone else:

- Help with a chore without being asked.
- Write or draw a thank-you note.
- Pray for someone who needs encouragement.
- Share with a friend or sibling.
- Use kind words to brighten someone's day.
- Tell someone about Jesus' love.

Extra Challenge: Secret Goodness

Can you do a good deed for someone without telling anyone? Let your act of goodness be a special gift between you and God. When you finish your challenge, thank God for helping His goodness grow in you!

Prayer Dear Jesus, Thank You for being good to me every day. Help me to see Your blessings, trust Your promises and share Your goodness with others. Amen.





FAITH Lutheran Church

a beacon of God's love, expanding His Kingdom

YOUR VOICE, OUR FUTURE

*Results from Congregational Survey
Spring 2026*



SUMMARY

Thank you to the 61 members and friends of Faith Lutheran Church who participated in the Your Voice, Our Future survey. Your responses revealed a strong desire for Bible-centered learning, meaningful fellowship, and opportunities to grow together in faith. Leadership will prayerfully consider these results as we explore future studies, gatherings, and ministry opportunities that support our mission of being a beacon of God's love and expanding His Kingdom.



Total Responses

61



Response Rate

N/A



Survey Period

June 13 – June 21, 2026

AT A GLANCE



The strongest interest was in *Understanding the Bible*, followed by *The Life & Teachings of Jesus* and *Prayer & Spiritual Guidance*.



Bible Studies and Fellowship Gatherings were the most desired opportunities for future participation.



Guest Speakers and Service Projects also received notable interest.



Weekday Evenings and Sunday After Worship were the preferred gathering times.



Twenty-four respondents indicated they may be interested in helping with future ministry opportunities and events.



SURVEY RESULTS IN DETAIL

1 Which Bible study topics interest you most?

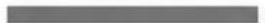
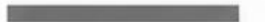
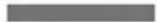
(Select up to THREE.)

TOPICS	RESPONSES	# OF RESPONDENTS
Understanding the Bible		32
The Life & Teachings of Jesus		22
Prayer & Spiritual Guidance		21
Lutheran Beliefs & Practices		16
End Times & Revelation		14
Christian Living Today		14
Grief, Hope & Heaven		13
Bible Books & Characters		12
Other		3

Total selections **147**

2 Which areas are you most likely to attend or participate in?

(Select up to THREE.)

AREAS	RESPONSES	# OF RESPONDENTS
Bible Studies		30
Fellowship Gatherings		28
Guest Speakers		17
Service Projects		16
Workshops		8
Online Studies		8
Prayer Groups		6
Retreats		5
Family Activities		2
Other		1

Total selections **121**

3 When are you most likely to participate?

TIME	RESPONSES	# OF RESPONDENTS
Weekday Evening		23
Sunday After Worship		21
Weekday Morning		12
Online / Virtual		7
Saturday Morning		5

Total selections **68**

4 Interested in helping with a ministry or event?

RESPONSE	RESPONSES	# OF RESPONDENTS
Yes		5
Maybe		19
Not at this time		21
Already Helping		1

Total responses **61**



Your Ideas for Faith's Future (Top Themes from Open-Ended Responses)

- More opportunities for Bible study and discipleship
- Outreach and community service expansion
- Programs and activities for youth and families
- Strengthening fellowship and building community
- Support for those in need (grief, caregiving, etc.)
- More opportunities to serve within the church
- Clear communication and keeping members informed
- Continuing to share God's love in our community
- Other creative ideas and suggestions



✠ Growing In God's Word ✠

Summer Bible Challenge As Pastor's Sunday morning and weekday Bible Studies take a summer pause, we invite you to continue growing in God's Word through the

Free Bible Road Map.

This chronological reading plan guides us through the story of Scripture in the order the events occurred, helping us see God's faithfulness from Genesis to Revelation. Each week includes six days of reading and one day to worship, reflect or catch up, making it easy to stay on the journey even during a busy summer.

Whether you have been reading since January, have fallen behind or are just getting started, this is the perfect time to jump in. The

Road Map is designed with grace in mind—you don't have to be perfect. Simply begin where you are and keep walking with the Lord.

As we continue *The Orchard Project*, remember that healthy fruit grows from healthy roots. Spending time in God's Word is one of the ways He strengthens our faith and helps the fruit of the Spirit grow in our lives.

Free Bible Road Maps are available in the Narthex and the church office. We invite you to join us as we spend the summer growing deeper in God's Word together.

