A SPECIAL WELCOME TO THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN: We are very happy that you are here today! At Faith, we want you to feel at home.

- First, please relax and enjoy your time here. Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and squawk a bit, so please don't feel embarrassed by it. Your children are welcome here!
- To make it a bit easier on your family, please dare to sit toward the front where your children can see all that is happening near the altar, note the colors, hear the music, watch the pastor, see the candles, pay attention to the letters and images on the altar, pulpit and font, and embrace the action at the altar. What Jesus does here promises to engage them.
- As we go, softly explain the liturgy to your children, encouraging them to chime in on their parts; *Amen! Lord, have mercy! Our Father...! I believe...!* All of that belongs to them, too!
- Be sure to sing and say and pray your parts too as you stand and sit. The kids learn by following our example.
- If you or your child must leave, please hurry back. We want your children here so much that we hope the quiet room will only have to be used on special occasions. Like Jesus, we want your kids in worship, not out.
- If you need a little help, just let us know. There are lots of folks who would love to lend you a hand.

Please know that while you are caring for your children, the rest of us will be rejoicing in Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to Me and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these." (Luke 18:16) We know that you are a gift to the church, so we will do our best to welcome, smile, encourage, help, and bless you all.



WELCOME TO FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH!







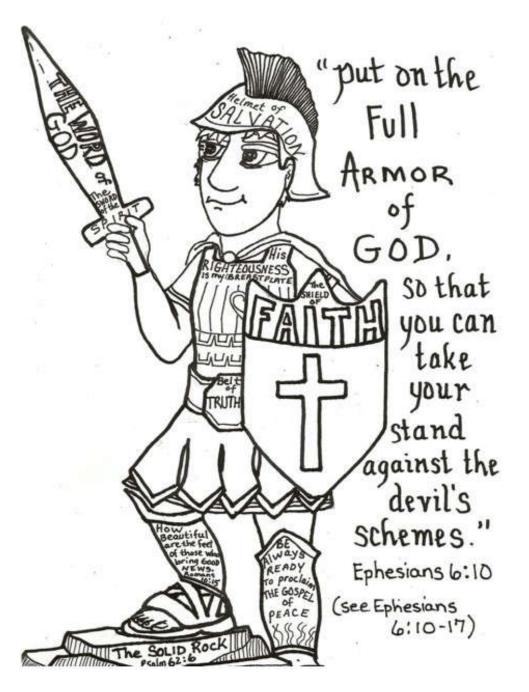
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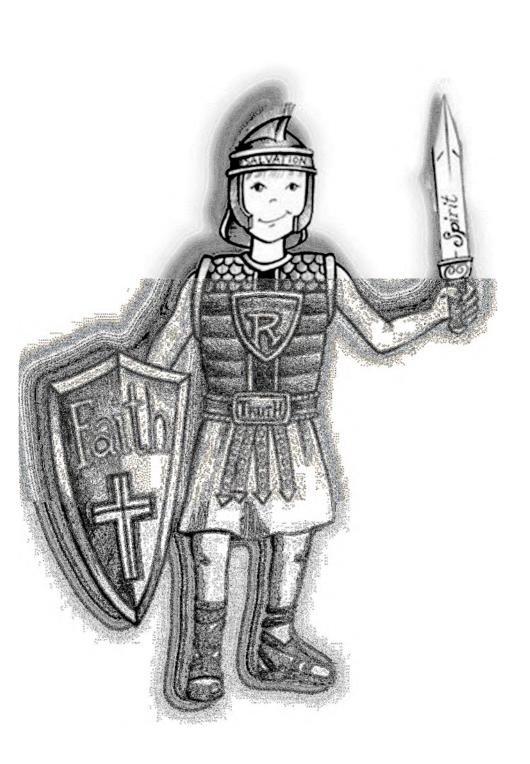
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COMMUNION Our Lord shares with us His precious Body and Blood in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. We invite those who are baptized Christians, who are able to examine themselves on the basis of these three points of the Christian Faith, to join us: † I believe that Jesus is my only Lord and Savior from all sin. †I believe that the true body and blood of Christ is present in the Sacrament. † I resolve, with the Holy Spirit's help to live for my Lord and witness through my actions that He is my Savior.

INDIVIDUAL CUPS IN THE CENTER RING OF EACH COMMUNION TRAY HOLD ALCOHOL-FREE WINE

Holy Communion Worship Divine Service One p. 151ff.

OPENING HYMN

Here I Am Lord

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (Sunday)

Robert & Shirley Robinson, Deanne Spurlin

(please stand)

INVOCATION AND CONFESSION OF SINS

P: In the name of the Father and of the 母 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.

C: Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

P: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,

C: and cleanse me from my sin!

P: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;

C: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

P: Create in me a clean heart, O God,

C: and renew a right spirit with-in me.

P: Cast me not away from your presence,

C: and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

P: Restore to me the joy of your salvation,

C: and uphold me with a willing spirit.

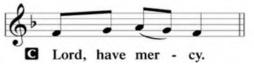
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

P: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,

C: and cleanse me from my sin!

KYRIE LSB pg. 152

P: In Peace let us pray to the Lord



- ♣ Prior to these verses, Paul says we should serve those over us as if serving the Lord, knowing that He is LORD of all. How does this help us in our weakness?
- Paul boasts in other letters of his weakness', here he tells us to be strong in the power of God's might. When have you needed His strength? Have there been times when you felt you were doing okay without His strength?
- [⊕] Where do you have to "go" to find/fight these battles? Paul says
 we are to take up this armor so we may simply be able to
 "stand". The battle is already all around us.
- ♦ What word of encouragement can we all find in this verse from Paul to the Ephesians for our own relationships?

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- → Hear our prayers for our nation and for Your people, Israel.
- ➡ We lift up prayers for healing for all those suffering from any ailment, body, mind, or spirit, especially hear our prayers for: Dee Kavouras, Sandy Cooper, Ray Bangel, Sally Moore, Nita Hass, Bill Percival, Phyllis Jodis, Ron Pless, Aaron Cote, Sandra Benner, Elaine Davis, Todd Moothart, Gina Galligar, Don Jones, Gia Shultz, Elsie Cougias, Henry & Rose Detlefs, Connie Weiss, Margie Budd, Doug Deuchler, Patrick Daley, Ron Borchart, Drake Daggett, Katie Arias, Patricia Ulvund, Andy Lahera.
- When others see us Lord Jesus, let them see in us a strong reflection of Your goodness, compassion, mercy, kindness, and sweet love for others.
- ⊕ Let us work in all things as if working for You O Lord, knowing that it is in You we will receive our reward.
- Prayer for God's mission and vision...Lord in Your mercy.

PRAYER REQUESTS: You may always use the Yellow cards in the pews to submit a prayer request. These can be public or private. You may also send in prayer requests directly to the prayer chain via email to **prayer@faithlecanto.org**.

"It's Not too Late, It's Never Too Late," there will always be a seat at the bible study table for you. But even more than that, this study has been designed so that, you may follow along as a self-study. What does this mean? Even if you have missed all the sessions before this session, you can join us this week, and catch up on the lessons you missed in later weeks as they go by. If you are still unable to join us, and have an interest, send Pastor an email pastor.galligar@faithlecanto.org and he can send you the entire study as an attachment, via email. If you would prefer, check in at the church office during the week, and Kevin can print out a copy of the bible study for you and your household to take with you.

EVENTS COMING UP THIS WEEK

September 1 st – September 8 th		
Monday	8:30 A.M.	Men of Faith Monday
		Papa J's Diner
		Office Closed
Tuesday	1:30 P.M.	Bible Study (<u>My Life, His Purpose</u>)
Wednesday	1:30 P.M.	Mission Vision Team
Saturday	6:00 P.M.	Worship
Sunday	9:30 A.M.	Worship
	11:00 A.M.	Bible Class (<i>My Life, His Purpose</i>)

NOTES FROM PASTOR GALLIGAR

Today's message, <u>A Walk with Paul in Ephesus: In Battle We Are Engaged</u> seems like such a departure from last week's lesson from Paul on submission. From one chapter to the next, he takes us from defining our closest neighbors/friends/spouses/children/family members, to describing the true enemy. And in his description, we quickly see that the hardships all around us aren't the half of it. Without God at our side surely, we will fail, with God in our hearts, no enemy can stand against us.

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



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



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

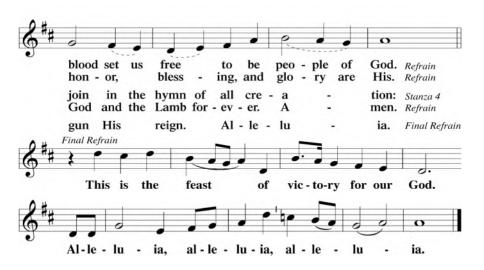


P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us gracious Lord



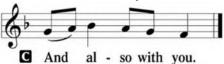
THIS IS THE FEAST





SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you



P: Let us pray. O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



(please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

"And now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the rules that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you...

questions and would like to know more about becoming a member of the church, connect with Pastor Galligar to schedule a FAITH CHAT. Together with others we will walk through Martin Luther's Small Catechism. We will talk our way through the Sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, and answer any other questions you might have. Pastor is always available following worship, or can be easily contacted at pastor.galligar@faithlecanto.com or 812-350-7820 (cell)

<u>CHURCHWIDE BIBLE STUDY</u> – Begins September 22nd!!!

All members and friends of Faith are strongly encouraged to attend the <u>Serving in God's Mission</u> study being offered by the Church Council and Mission/Vision Team.

This 9-week study is an important lead-in to the workshop that will be held in January 2025. All those who will attend the workshop in January, should plan to participate in the <u>Serving in God's Mission</u> study beginning soon. The study will be led by a member of the Mission/Vision Team with Pastor Galligar as a coleader.

The study will take place on Sundays (beginning on 9/22) at 11 a.m. and on Tuesdays (beginning 9/24) at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

If you would like to attend this important study but are unable to meet on Sundays or Tuesdays, the team is willing to host a third session on Saturdays (beginning on 9/28) at 4 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, but only as a last resort.

Please email Pastor Galligar pastor.galligar@faithlecanto.org by September 15, 2024 if you are unable to attend Sundays or Tuesdays, but would be willing to attend on Saturdays.

BIBLE STUDY IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL EACH WEEK

11:00 AM Sunday morning My Life, His Purpose
1:30 PM Tuesday afternoon My Life, His Purpose

*** AM I TOO LATE??? HAVE I MISSED IT??? ***
IMPORTANT BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES THIS WEEK

IN SERVICE THIS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

USHERS

ELDERS

6:00 p.m. Steve Schick

6:00 p.m. Alan Benner

Melisa Climer

9:30 a.m. Carla Nicklas

9:30 a.m. Don McNeil

Chuck Davey

David Hass

Nancy Griffin

Judy Hill

LAY READERS

ALTAR GUILD

Saturday: 6:00 p.m. Candy Lott

Carolyn Arias

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Ann Panas

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

HELP! Matthew and Mark have escaped from our church library. Please look around your house to see if these brown paperback **People's Bible Commentary books** might have taken cover there. No reward for finding them but no fine either. I understand that you may have needed them for a study. Thanks! Gloria Schultz

Stewardship Moment: Trustees! Let Love Shine Through!

Another important dimension to stewardship has to do with how we reflect the character, personality, and qualities of the Owner! This is a great calling...and a great trust! The trait that leaps from the pages of Holy Scripture is LOVE!!!

Verses for the week: Mark 14:3-9,1 Corinthians 6:19,20,

Psalm 103:1-5, 1 Samuel 5-11, Romans 3:21-28, Genesis 32:9-12

A PEEK AT THE FINE PRINT – Ever wonder about the doctrine and practice of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod? Curious about the tenants of our faith and why we do some of the things we do here at Faith? All are welcome to worship with us. If you do have these

Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.' For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? And what great nation is there, that has statutes and just decrees so righteous as all this law that I set before you today? "Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children...

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Ephesians 6:10–20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore, take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

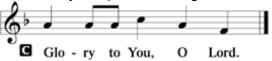
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HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 7:14-23

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



And he called the people to him again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand: There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him." And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. And he said to them, "Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.) And he said, "What comes out of a person is what defiles him. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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SERMON HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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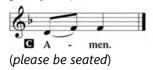
POST COMMUNION COLLECT:

P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN Onward, Christian Soldiers

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Mike & Diane Hammill

ALTAR FLOWERS GIVEN BY:

Bill & Joyce Engelbrecht for their 59th Wedding Anniversary

ATTENDANCE 08/24=38 2

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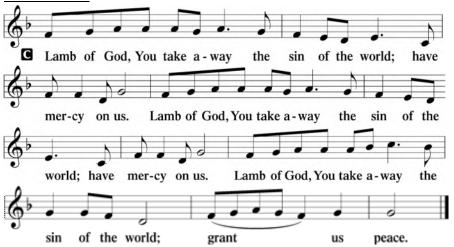
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HEARING ASSISTANCE: Please contact an Usher.

HOSPITALIZED OR NEED A VISIT? Contact Pastor Galligar (812) 350-7820 or contact your elder. If you're not sure who your elder is, call the church office 527-3325. Office hours are 9-12 Monday – Friday



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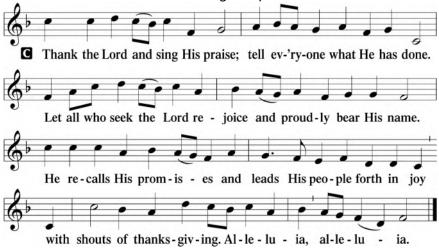
DISTRIBUTION & HYMN

Be Thou My Vision
(Insert Sunday Only)

(please stand)

THANKSGIVING

P: Let us thank the Lord and sing His praise:



SERMON

In Battle We are Engaged

(please stand)

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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

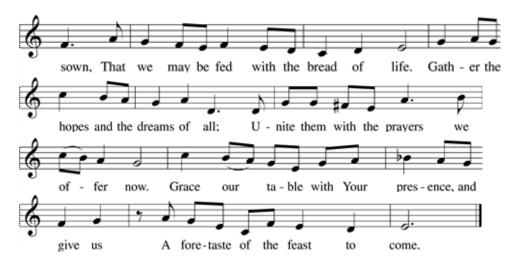
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose Kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(please be seated)

GATHERING OF THE OFFERINGS





Prayers of the Church

(response is: Hear our Prayer)

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE



P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the

company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: 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.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My & body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My & blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always