



# FAITH

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# ACTS of FAITH

Current Sermon Series



## Facing Down the Opposition

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## AS WE GATHER

A disciple of Jesus Christ will *bear his own cross* (Luke 14:27) and follow the Lord through death into life. Discipleship is costly because it crucifies the old self with “all that he has” (Luke 14:33) in order to raise up the new life in Christ.

Jesus calls His disciples to put Him above all - family, possessions and even their own lives (Luke 14:26). This way of the cross is impossible on our own, but Christ has already paid the cost. His cross is set before us as both a choice and a gift: *See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil* (Deut. 30:15).

Taking up His cross is to *choose life, that you and your offspring may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him* (Deut. 30:19–20). To live that life in Christ is also to bear His cross in love, *The place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.* (Acts 4:31b).

## ROOTED IN CHRIST, GROWING TOGETHER

Looking for a church home? We invite you to be part of the Faith family! Visit the Welcome Station to meet a greeter, or connect with Pastor Galligar to learn more about life and ministry at Faith.

**HOLY COMMUNION** Our Lord shares with us His precious Body and Blood in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. We invite those who are baptized Christians and who are able to examine themselves on the basis of these three points of the Christian Faith:

✚ 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.

**\*\*The inner ring of the Communion tray has grape juice for those unable to take wine.\*\***

**CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL** During Sharing God’s Peace, Pastor will invite kids to meet the leader at the Sanctuary door by the piano/organ. Pick-up is in Fellowship Hall after worship or during coffee/snack time.

**NEED HELP HEARING THE SERVICE?** We’re happy to assist! Please see an usher before worship to borrow a hearing assistance device.

# ✠ HOLY COMMUNION WORSHIP DIVINE SERVICE ONE ✠

## RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*Sunday – McNeil Family, Michael, Kelley,  
Abigail & Isla*

## BAPTISM

*Sunday – Isla Elizabeth McNeil*

## OPENING HYMN

*Onward, Christian Soldiers*

*LSB 662*

*(please stand)*

## INVOCATION AND CONFESSION OF SINS

*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.**

## ✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

### INTROIT

*Psalm 2*

*P: Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain?*

**C: The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together,**

*P: against the Lord and against his Anointed, saying,*

**C: "Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us."**

*P: He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision.*

**C: Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying,**

*P: "As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill."*

**C: I will tell of the decree: The Lord said to me,**

*P: "You are my Son; today I have begotten you.*

**C: Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.**

*P: You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."*

**C: Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.**

*P: Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling.*

**C: Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,**

*P: for his wrath is quickly kindled.*

**C: Blessed are all who take refuge in him.**

### 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.*



**C** 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.*



**C** 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.

## **THIS IS THE FEAST**



**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 — Wor- thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb — who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: *The Lord be with you*

**C** And al - so with you.

P: *Let us pray. O merciful Lord, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all. Grant us courage and strength to take up the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**C** A - men.

*(please be seated)*

## FIRST READING

*Deuteronomy 30:15-20*

"See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in His ways, and by keeping His commandments and His statutes and His rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying His voice and holding fast to Him, for He is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

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

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## SPECIAL MUSIC

*Amazing Grace*

*Ukulele Ensemble*

## SECOND READING

*Acts 4:21-37*

And when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding no way to punish them, because of the people, for all were praising God for what had happened. For the man on whom this sign of healing was performed was more than forty years old.

When they were released, they went to their friends and reported what the chief priests and the elders had said to them. And when they heard it, they lifted their voices together to God and said, "Sovereign Lord, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and everything in them, who through the mouth of our father David, your servant, said by the Holy Spirit, "'Why did the Gentiles rage, and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers were

gathered together, against the Lord and against his Anointed' - for truly in this city there were gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place. And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness, while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus." And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness. Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. Thus Joseph, who was also called by the apostles Barnabas (which means son of encouragement), a Levite, a native of Cyprus, sold a field that belonged to him and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.

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

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

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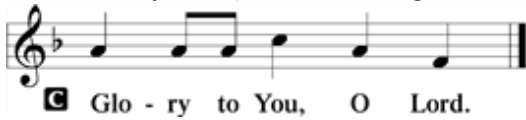
**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



## HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 14:25-35

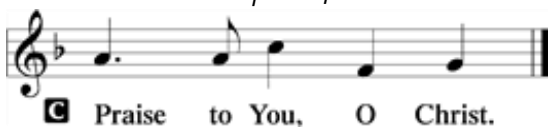
P: *The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.*



Now great crowds accompanied [Jesus], and he turned and said to them, "If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

"Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

P: *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*



## THE NICENE CREED

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 at 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.

### SHARING GOD'S PEACE

*\*Children exit for Sunday School*

*(please be seated)*

### HYMN OF PRAISE

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

*LSB 411*

### SERMON

*Facing Down the Opposition*

### GATHERING OF THE OFFERINGS

*(please stand)*

### OFFERTORY HYMN

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*LSB 805*

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

### ✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

P: *The Lord be with you*



And al - so 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 Him thanks and praise.

P: *It is truly good, 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. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:*

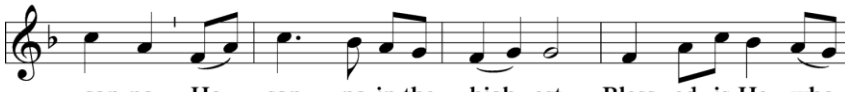
## SANCTUS



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. 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.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

**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."*

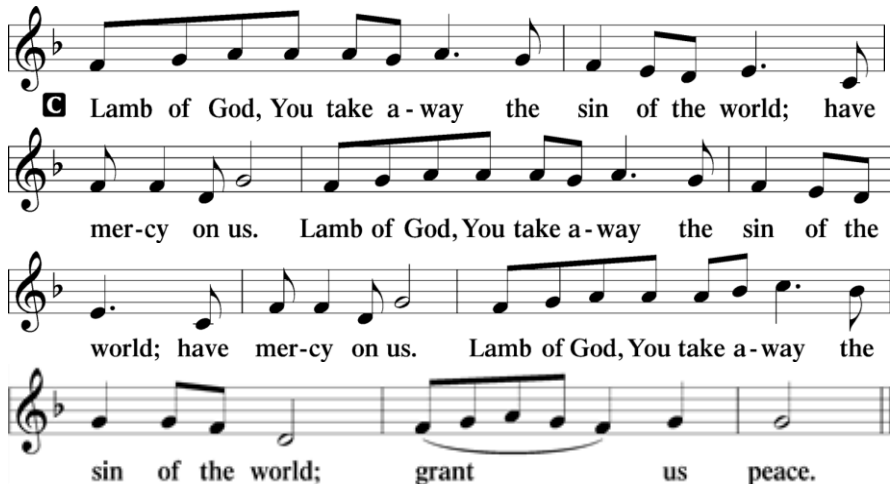
**C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

### PAX DOMINI

P: *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*



### AGNUS DEI



(please be seated)

## DISTRIBUTION

### DISTRIBUTION HYMN

*Be Strong in the Lord*

LSB 665

### THANKSGIVING



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

### 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.*



**C** A - men.

### 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.*



**C** A - men.

(please be seated)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CLOSING HYMN

*Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*

LSB 660

### SILENT PRAYER

**ACTS OF FAITH: Facing Down the Opposition** – is the theme of our worship this weekend. Peter and the disciples were about the business of sharing the Good News of Jesus. When Peter and John were arrested and threatened for proclaiming His name, they responded with even greater praises - counting it holy to suffer in the Name of Christ.

- ✝ The world today is much the same as the one that came against the disciples, with some exceptions. Today, those who rail against the Messiah, Jesus, still know of His power.
- ✝ The disciples were clear in their purpose: *"To proclaim the truth, which transforms lives."* Even in the midst of opposition, they continued the good works God had prepared for them.
- ✝ One goal for this series, is to see Faith Lutheran Church fulfill its mission, as it continues to be a beacon of God's love, expanding His kingdom. Another is to fully embrace the roles that He has given each of us in achieving that goal.

**NEXT WEEK IN ACTS OF FAITH:** Read *Chapter 5: United in Spirit: Divided by Lies* in advance to prepare your heart as we continue through the Book of Acts.

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- ✝ The nations rage, the kingdoms totter, mountains are moved into the heart of the sea, whose waters roar and foam. O God, lead us through these times with boldness in our declarations of Your faithfulness and love. Strengthen us through **Your** sacraments to cling ever more tightly to You and Your cross as we speak in Your Name to all those whom You have placed around us. Let our faith be no secret from those who know us.

- ✝ Health concerns: Mike Ross, Cindy Rockwell, Terry Weiland, Henry Striegl, Lois Schick, Candy Lott, Patricia Ulvund, Sharon Beyer, Dale Schluckbier, Steve Petty, Gina Galligar, Bonnie & Robert, Susan Schmidt, Geneva Davis, Debbie Vassel, Bonnie Berg, Edward Monty, Jerry Marquette, Debbie Zilm, Kim Malave, Barbara Schenk, George Scalzi, Bill & Joyce Engelbrecht, Nita Hass, Phyllis Jodis, Aaron Cote, Todd Moothart, Don Jones, Gia Schultz, Harry & Rose Detlefs, Connie Weiss, Margie Budd, Doug Deuchler, Patrick Daley, Andy Borchardt, Katie Arias.
- ✝ Dear Jesus, hear our prayers for those who lead us in the Church. We lift up to You, O God, our circuit visitor, Pastor Jeff Shanks; our Florida-Georgia District President, Pastor James Rockey; and our Synod President, Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison. Bless them with wisdom and discernment as they lead the Church. Guide them and guard them as they follow their call to serve You in the Church and also in their roles outside the Church. Uplift, comfort, and protect their families from the enemy, and bless them with joy in You, O God.

### **LIFTING ONE ANOTHER IN PRAYER**

*Do You Have a Prayer Request?* Whether it's a thanksgiving, a concern or a need for strength and healing, we invite you to share what's on your heart. You can submit requests in several ways:

- Fill out a **yellow prayer card** (found in the pews)
- Submit online at [www.faithlecanto.org/prayer](http://www.faithlecanto.org/prayer)
- Email our Prayer Chain: [prayer@faithlecanto.org](mailto:prayer@faithlecanto.org)

Requests may be kept private or shared with the congregation as you prefer.

*Interested in joining our Prayer Chain?* The Prayer Chain shares real-time needs from our church family and community. To take part - or to renew your commitment - visit the church office or sign up at the Welcome Table. Together, let's faithfully lift one another up in prayer.



## GIVING SNAPSHOT

| WEEK   | BUDGET GIVING | OVER/UNDER BUDGET |
|--------|---------------|-------------------|
| 31     | 8100          | 2050              |
| 32     | 9466          | 3416              |
| 33     | 2751          | -3299             |
| 34     | 4883          | -1167             |
| 35     | 4266          | -1784             |
| August | 29,466        | -784              |

Budget need is 6050/week

## STRIPE - NEW ONLINE GIVING PLATFORM



**Faith Lutheran is now using Stripe for online giving!**

It's a secure and easy way to give, one-time or recurring, using your debit, credit card, or bank account.

**Scan the QR code** to access our secure giving portal and give it a try! **Questions?**

Contact Mike at [mike@faithlecano.org](mailto:mike@faithlecano.org) or (352) 357-1792.

☺ Happy Birthday ☺

Margery Sawyer (9/11)

🌸 Flowers given by 🌸

Dennis & Linda Koch in Memory of  
Michael Koch

## WORSHIP ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

|          |           |
|----------|-----------|
| SATURDAY | 39        |
| SUNDAY   | <u>71</u> |
| TOTAL    | 110       |

💍 Anniversaries 💍

Michael & Diane Hammill (9/3)  
Bob & Shirley Robinson (9/8) &  
Don & Vicki Mueller (9/10)





## SEPTEMBER 8<sup>th</sup> through SEPTEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>

|           |          |   |
|-----------|----------|---|
| MONDAY    | 8:30 AM  | Men of Faith Breakfast<br>@ Papa J's Diner          |
|           | 5:00 PM  | Ladies of Faith Meet - FH                           |
| WEDNESDAY | 5:00 PM  | The Chosen - FH                                     |
| THURSDAY  | 2:00 PM  | Ukulele Group - Narthex                             |
| FRIDAY    | 1:00 PM  | Euchre & Games - FH                                 |
| SATURDAY  | 5:00 PM  | Worship<br>in Sanctuary (fellowship time to follow) |
|           |          |   |
| SUNDAY    | 9:30 AM  | Worship<br>in Sanctuary (fellowship time to follow) |
|           | 11:00 AM | Bible Study: <b>Book of Genesis</b> - FH            |

**MEN OF FAITH** We took a break on breakfast on September 1<sup>st</sup> for Labor Day, but we're back this Monday at 8:30 AM! All men are welcome - come enjoy a good meal and even better encouragement. Contact: Dean Moore (352) 601-8390.

**LADIES OF FAITH** Monthly meetings resume, first Monday of each month @ 5:00 PM. New faces welcome. Questions? Call Gina Galligar (812) 390-5477.

**THE CHOSEN** Wednesday @ 5:00 PM. Potluck, viewing, and discussion. COME AND SEE the journey of Christ's ministry as compared to the distance from Lecanto to Chiefland. Our roundtable for the evening will include our former interim Pastor Larry Griffin, who can share about his regular travels. Let's have a great turnout to welcome him and share a meal with our CHOSEN people. All are welcome - bring a friend! Contact: Barb Feltner (812) 371-2352.

**UKULELE GROUP** Meets Thursdays at 2:00 PM in the Narthex. Come strum, learn, and enjoy! Contact: Joy Wilson (352) 726-0406.

**EUCHRE & GAMES** Join us for our first game day on Friday at 1:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. Contact: Vicki Mueller at (810) 434-1975.

**SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY** *FATHER ABRAHAM BEGINS HIS JOURNEY* - This Sunday will take us into an exploration of the promise of God to Abraham. We follow along on his first journeys with our God. The first book of the Bible, Genesis, contains some of the greatest, strangest and most interesting events in the history of our relationship with our Creator. Join us each week - or when you are able to - as we discover together the answer to Lutheranism's age-old question: "What does this mean?"

***\*Additional Future Events & Important Information on p. 20***



## **FOLLOWING JESUS, NO MATTER WHAT!**

The Story: Jesus told His followers that being His disciple isn't always easy. He said that to follow Him, people must love Him more than anything else - even more than their family or their own lives. He also said a disciple must "carry their own cross" to follow Him. That means being ready to give up what's most important to us so that Jesus comes first.

That sounds really hard! But Jesus was showing us the truth: following Him costs something. We can't keep one foot in the world and one foot with Jesus - we need to give Him our whole heart.

Peter and John showed what this looks like. When the leaders told them to stop talking about Jesus, they didn't give up. They kept sharing the Good News, even when it meant being arrested or threatened. They knew Jesus had already given everything for them on the cross, so they wanted to give their lives to Him completely.

**DID YOU KNOW?** When Jesus said, "*Carry your cross*," He meant that following Him would be hard at times. But He also promised that He would be with us every step of the way.

**TRY THIS!** Jesus said, "*Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple.*" (Luke 14:27)

That sounds hard, doesn't it? But Jesus wasn't saying we have to carry a heavy wooden cross like He did. Instead, He meant that following Him means putting Him first - even when it costs us something. This week, think about ways you can "carry your cross" for Jesus:

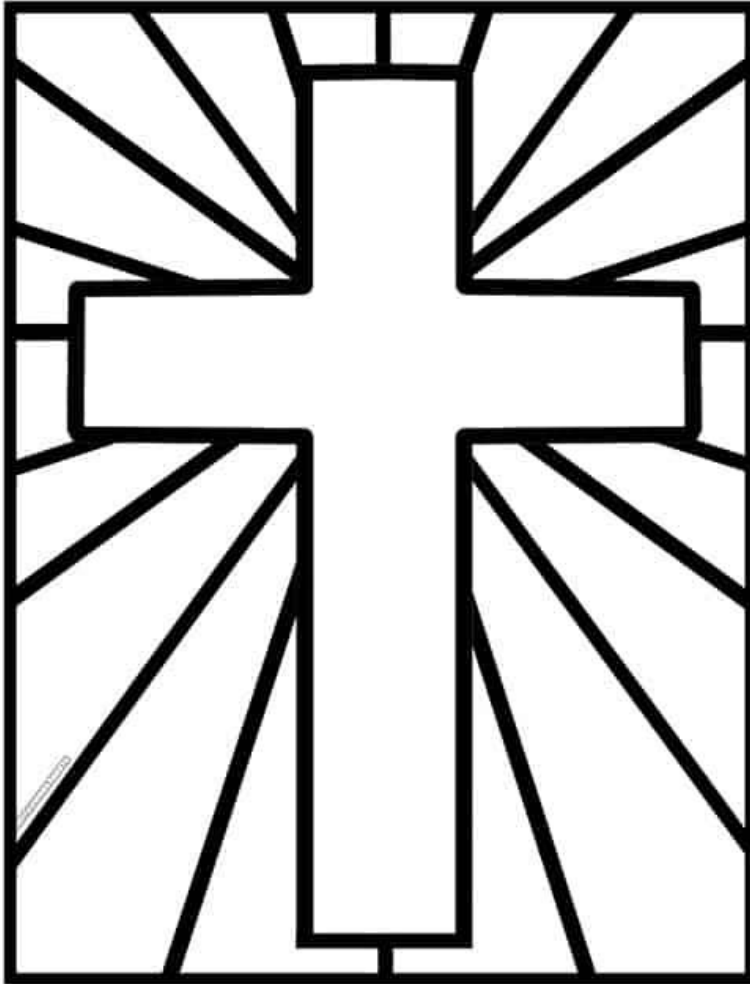
- Putting Jesus before video games, TV or phone time by stopping to pray or read the Bible.
- Choosing kindness when you feel like being mean.
- Sharing with a friend or sibling, even when you'd rather keep it all to yourself.
- Standing up for what's right, even if others laugh at you.
- Saying "I'm sorry" when you've done something wrong.
- Inviting a friend to church or Sunday School.

✝ On the cross below, write or draw one way you can put Jesus first this week.

- Use words, pictures or even symbols to show your choice.
- Then, color and decorate the cross to make it your own reminder.
- Hang it on your fridge, put it by your bed or carry it in your Bible so you remember:

***"I will follow Jesus, no matter what!"***

When we make small choices to put Jesus first, we are carrying our cross and showing Him our love. And we can do it with joy, because Jesus already carried the heaviest cross for us - when He gave His life on Calvary.



**PRAYER:** "Dear Jesus, thank You for giving everything for me on the cross. Help me to put You first in my life and to follow You with courage and love. Amen."



**LWML NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA ZONE FALL RALLY!** Happy Fall, Ladies! Come, join us! Saturday, Sept 27<sup>th</sup> • Peace Lutheran, Dunnellon (7201 S Hwy 41, 34432)

- 9:00 AM Registration & continental breakfast
- Cost: \$12 (cash or check to *LWML NCFL Zone*)
- Gifts from the Heart (Peace's Community Pantry): soups (condensed, any flavor), canned veggies/pasta; travel-size toothpaste/shampoo/soap; blankets, socks, stocking hats, mittens; cash, WM gift cards or checks (to *LWML NCFL Zone*)
- RSVP by Sept 21<sup>st</sup>: Sheryl Lutz (954) 242-3148 • sagelutz@tampabay.rr.com

**EUCHRE IS BACK!** Our first game day is on Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. If we don't have enough players for Euchre, we'll enjoy other games like Dominoes. It's sure to be a fun afternoon of fellowship! Please note the new start time: 1:00 PM. We'll meet every two weeks, with our next game day on September 26<sup>th</sup>. Contact: Vicki Mueller at (810) 434-1975.

**FLU SHOT CLINIC** Two RNs from G&R Pharmacy will be here to give seasonal flu vaccines on Saturday Sept 13<sup>th</sup> (3:30–5 PM) and Sunday Sept 14<sup>th</sup> (11 AM–12:30 PM). The pharmacy will bill Medicare or your insurance. Please bring ID and insurance card. Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. Contact: Ann Panas at (262) 993-4068.

**VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEKEND** September 20–21, 2025 This weekend we will give thanks for all who serve at Faith. We'll include a brief recognition during worship and a thank-you treat in our Fellowship Hall. If you serve in any role - formal or informal - please join us so we can celebrate you! Questions? Contact our Coordinator, Vicki Mueller at (810) 434-1975.

**BYE, BYE SUMMER BBQ** Mark your calendar! Join us on **Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup>** for a church wide BBQ. It will be an evening of food, fellowship and fun for the whole church family. Stay tuned - more details coming soon!

**SAVE THE DATE!** The Ladies of Faith Fall Festival, including a plant, craft and bake sale is coming Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. Join us for shopping, food and fellowship! Want to take part? Reserve a booth, donate plants or bake goodies. Contact: Muriel Hanny (813) 255-3692 or Vicki Mueller (810) 434-1975.

**SAFETY AT FAITH** We have a long-standing safety plan, including an alarm system, 24/7 cameras and locked doors once worship begins (with usher access for late arrivals). Thank you to all who help keep our church family safe. Interested in serving on the Safety Team? Contact: Don McNeil (352) 697-2046.