Faith Lutheran Church



April 27, 2025

WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please sign the guest register in the entry as you leave the church today.

TODAY'S SERVICE

April 27th, 2025 Liturgy: Common Service

Speaker: Pastor Matthew Ude

Organist: Pamela Schulz

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 148

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; Praise Him in the heights! ² Praise Him, all His angels; Praise Him, all His hosts! ³ Praise Him, sun and moon; Praise Him, all you stars of light! ⁴ Praise Him, you heavens of heavens, And you waters above the heavens! ⁵ Let them praise the name of the LORD, For He commanded and they were created. ⁶ He also established them forever and ever; He made a decree which shall not pass away. ⁷ Praise the LORD from the earth, You great sea creatures and all the depths; ⁸ Fire and hail, snow and clouds; Stormy wind, fulfilling His word; 9 Mountains and all hills; Fruitful trees and all cedars; ¹⁰ Beasts and all cattle; Creeping things and flying fowl; ¹¹ Kings of the earth and all peoples; Princes and all judges of the earth; ¹² Both young men and maidens; Old men and children. ¹³ Let them praise the name of the LORD, For His name alone is exalted; His glory is above the earth and heaven. ¹⁴ And He has exalted the horn of His people, The praise of all His saints-- Of the children of Israel, A people near to Him. Praise the LORD!

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#192:1,2,6 Awake, My Heart, With Gladness

INVOCATION

p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

- p Beloved of God: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.
- all Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my

thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. for this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



p God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



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 Let us pray ... Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversion that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.



THE WORD

Revelation 1:4-18 ⁴ John, to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, ⁶ and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him *be* glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷ Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen. ⁸ "I am the Alpha and the Omega, *the* Beginning and *the* End," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." ⁹ I, John, both your brother and companion in the tribulation and kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called Patmos for the word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ. ¹⁰ I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, and I heard behind me a loud voice, as of a trumpet, ¹¹ saying, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last," and, "What you see, write in a book and send *it* to the seven churches which are in Asia: to Ephesus, to Smyrna, to Pergamos, to Thyatira, to Sardis, to Philadelphia, and to Laodicea." ¹² Then I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³ and in the midst of the seven lampstands One like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band.¹⁴ His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and His eyes like a flame of fire; ¹⁵ His feet were like fine brass, as if refined in a furnace, and His voice as the sound of many waters; ¹⁶ He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp twoedged sword, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength. ¹⁷ And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying to me, "Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last. ¹⁸ "I am

He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death.

John 20:19-31 ¹⁹ Then, the same day at evening, being the first *day* of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." 20 When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹ So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." ²² And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.²³"If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." ²⁴ Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord." So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." ²⁶ And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and

Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" ²⁷ Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand *here*, and put *it* into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing." ²⁸ And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed *are* those who have not seen and *yet* have believed." ³⁰ And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

p Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!



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 Son together is worshiped 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.

#208:1,2,9,10 Ye Sons and Daughters of the King

SERMON

I Corinthians 15:1-11 Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, ² by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you--unless you believed in vain. ³ For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. ⁶ After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. ⁷ After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. ⁸ Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, who am not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all, yet not I, but the grace of God *which was* with me. ¹¹ Therefore, whether *it was* I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

The Eternal Gospel

Jesus death and resurrection is the one eternal truth proclaimed before the foundation of the World. Everything else comes and goes but the Gospel does not change. This eternal gospel alone produces fruit for eternity.



Christ is Risen, Christ is Living

Nicholas Martinez, 1917-72

LSB 479

Pablo D. Sosa, b. 1933



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Offering Hymn #788:1

Lord, You love the cheerful giver who with open heart and hand, blesses freely, as a river that refreshes all the land. Grant us, then , the grace of giving with a spirit large and true that our life and all our living we may consecrate to You.

PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

all 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.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT



p Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



p It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, But most of all we praise You for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; for Hs is the true Paschal Lamb who was offered for us and has taken away the sins of the world; who by His death has destroyed death and by His rising to life again has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song;





WORDS OF INSTITUTION

p Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take and eat; This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

Then He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is My blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



THE DISTRIBUTION

Prayers for before and after communion are available on page 118 of your hymnal.

Distribution Hymn #307





THANKSGIVING

p O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

p We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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THE BENEDICTION

p The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



LSB 803 Joyful, Joyful, we Adore Thee



SUNDAY APRIL 27

9am Communion Service 10 am Sunday School 10:15 am Bible Class

TUESDAY APRIL 29

2pm Bible Class

WEDNESDAY APRIL 30

3: 45 pm Confirmation

SUNDAY MAY 4

9am Worship Service 10 am Sunday School 10:15 am Bible Class

FRUITS OF FAITH

General Fund- \$ 3305 Missions - \$ 30 Building Fund- \$100 Project Kinship - \$ 50 Sunday Service - 106 No Sunday School or Bible Class

USHERS FOR APRIL

Mike Dumke, Jim Brown, Paul Eserhut, Tyler Denson

USHERS FOR MAY

Andy Kohn, Dan Thiem, Todd Thiem, Austin Thiem

COUNTERS

This Week Team # 3 David Draeger, Wayne Draeger Next Week Team # 4 Lynn Dumke, Randy Strelow

MOWING

Signup sheet for mowing on the bulletin board.

METTING NOTES

Available on the shelf.

CAMPING WITH CLYDE

The students in grades 3-5 would like to invite all members of Faith Lutheran Church and all our school families to join us in a tent camp

out on the church property. We are hoping to have an evening of faith, fellowship, and fun. We hope that you will join us. We will have a potluck dinner, games, Bible story, entertainment, and roasting marshmallows around a campfire. We will be setting up tents in the field where we will spend the night under the stars. In the morning, we will eat breakfast, have a devotion, play a little, then pack up and head home. Please feel free to come to all or just part of these activities. For more information, please check the flyer in the hallway or speak to a staff member. Please RSVP by 4/16.

call as Principal and Teacher of Immanuel Ev. Lutheran School, Mankato, MN.

Teacher Amy Mielke of Messiah Lutheran School, Eau Claire, WI, has returned the call to Luther Memorial School, Fond du Lac WI. Pastor Wayne Eichstadt of Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA, has received the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.

Pastor Frank Gantt of Zion Ev. Lutheran Church, Loganville, GA, has received the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church, Mountain View, CA.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Acts 9:1–22 Psalm 30 Rev. 5:8–14 John 21:1–14

CALL NEWS

Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Rapid City, SD, has received the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO. Principal Brandan Heinze has been granted a peaceful release from his



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