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# Faith Lutheran Church

September 6<sup>th</sup> 2020

# WELCOME

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# TODAY'S SERVICE

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> **Speaker:** Pastor Matthew Ude

## **Organist:** Lila Brown

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## PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

#### Psalm 103:1-12

Bless the LORD, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy name! <sup>2</sup> Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits: <sup>3</sup> Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, 4 Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, <sup>5</sup> Who satisfies your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. <sup>6</sup> The LORD executes righteousness And justice for all who are oppressed. <sup>7</sup> He made known His ways to Moses, His acts to the children of Israel. 8 The LORD is merciful and gracious, Slow to anger, and abounding in mercy. <sup>9</sup> He will not always strive with us, Nor will He keep His anger forever. <sup>10</sup> He has not dealt with us according to our sins, Nor punished us according to our iniquities. <sup>11</sup> For as the heavens are high above the earth, So great is His mercy toward those who fear Him; <sup>12</sup> As far as the east is from the west, So far has He removed our transgressions from us.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## Hymn 44 - "Ye Lands, to the Lord"

by Ulrik V. Koren, 1826-1910 1. Ye lands, to the Lord make a jubilant noise; Glory be to God! Oh, serve Him with joy, in His presence now rejoice; Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

2. Not we, but the Lord is our Maker, our God;Glory be to God!His people we are, and the sheep led by His rod;Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

3. Oh, enter His gates with thanksgiving and praise;Glory be to God!To bless Him and thank Him our voices we will raise;Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

4. For good is the Lord, and His mercy is sure;Glory be to God!To all generations His truth shall still endure;Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

## INVOCATION

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



# **CONFESSION OF SINS**

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 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 Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.
- 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.







p Let us pray . . . O God, from whom all good proceeds, grant to us, Your humble servants, Your holy inspiration, that we may set our minds on the things that are right and, by Your merciful guiding, accomplish them; Through Jesus Christ Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.



## THE WORD

Genesis 50:15-21 <sup>15</sup> When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "Perhaps Joseph will hate us, and may actually repay us for all the evil which we did to him." <sup>16</sup> So they sent *messengers* to Joseph, saying, "Before your father died he commanded, saying, <sup>17</sup> 'Thus you shall say to Joseph: "I beg you, please forgive the trespass of your brothers and their sin; for they did evil to you." Now, please, forgive the trespass of the servants of the God of your father." And Joseph wept when they spoke to him. <sup>18</sup> Then his brothers also went and fell down before his face, and they said, "Behold, we are your servants." <sup>19</sup> Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid, for am I in the place of God? 20 "But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as *it is* this day, to save many people alive. <sup>21</sup> "Now therefore, do not be afraid; I will provide for you and your little ones." And he comforted them and spoke kindly to them

Romans 13:1-10 Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God.<sup>2</sup> Therefore whoever resists the authority resists the ordinance of God, and those who resist will bring judgment on themselves. <sup>3</sup> For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to evil. Do you want to be unafraid of the authority? Do what is good, and you will have praise from the same. <sup>4</sup> For he is God's minister to you for good. But if you do evil, be afraid; for he does not bear the sword in vain; for he is God's minister, an avenger to execute wrath on him who practices evil. <sup>5</sup> Therefore you must be subject, not only because of wrath but also for conscience' sake. <sup>6</sup> For because of this you also pay taxes, for they are God's ministers attending continually to this very thing. <sup>7</sup> Render therefore to all their due: taxes to whom taxes are due, customs to whom customs, fear to whom fear, honor to whom honor. <sup>8</sup> Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law. <sup>9</sup> For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery," "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," "You shall not bear false witness," "You shall not covet," and if there is any other commandment, are all summed up in this saying, namely, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." <sup>10</sup> Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love *is* the ful-fillment of the law.

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



# THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

## Hymn 246 - "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God"

by Reginald Heber, 1783-1826

I. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;Holy holy, holy, merciful and mighty!God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

2. Holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see, Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

## SERMON

Matthew 18:21-35<sup>21</sup> Then Peter came to Him and said, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?" <sup>22</sup> Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven. <sup>23</sup> "Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. <sup>24</sup> "And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents.<sup>25</sup> "But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made. <sup>26</sup> "The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, 'Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' <sup>27</sup> "Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup> "But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat, saying, 'Pay me what you owe!' <sup>29</sup> "So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' <sup>30</sup> "And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. <sup>31</sup> "So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. <sup>32</sup> "Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. <sup>33</sup> 'Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?' <sup>34</sup> "And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. <sup>35</sup> "So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses."

## **Removing Excuses**

We always have reasons why we need not forgive and why we need not be forgiven. In this parable Jesus strips away our excuses so that we can both forgive and be forgiven.



## 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.

## 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.

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## Hymn 50 - "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

by John Fawcett, 1740-1817

I. Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing,Fill our hearts with joy and peace.Let us each, Thy love possessing,Triumph in redeeming grace.Oh, refresh us, Oh, refresh us,Traveling through this wilderness!

2. Thanks we give and adorationFor Thy Gospel's joyful sound.May the fruits of Thy salvationIn our hearts and lives abound;Ever faithful, Ever faithful,To the Truth may we be found!

3. So, when'er the signal's givenUs from earth to call away,Borne on angels' wings to heaven,Glad the summons to obey,May we ever, May we ever,Reign with Christ in endless day!

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday, September 6** 9am Worship Service

Monday, September 7 7 pm Worship Service

**Tuesday, September 8** 7pm Elder's Meeting 7:30pm Council Meeting

Sunday, September 13 9am Worship Service - Education Sunday 10am Sunday School 10:15am Bible Class

Monday, September 14 7 pm Worship Service

#### **USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER**

Mike Dumke, Bob McElroy, Jason Fox, Jack Bremer

## FRUITS OF FAITH

General: \$ 2423.00

Missions: \$ 305.00

### ATTENDANCE

Sunday Service: 53

Monday Service: 24

#### COUNTERS

**This Week: Team # 4** Greg Jones, Jim Kok

Next Week: Team #5 David Draeger, Wayne Draeger

#### **NEW DIRECTORIES**

The new directory books are on a table in the hallway. Please be sure to take one.



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