

Matthew 13:8, ESV

JULY 14, 2024 FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

### 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

#### July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Liturgy: Setting Two, WS page 12

#### Speaker:

Professor John Ude

#### Organist:

#### Lila Brown

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### PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

#### Psalm 85:8-13

<sup>8</sup> I will hear what God the LORD will speak, For He will speak peace To His people and to His saints; But let them not turn back to folly. <sup>9</sup> Surely His salvation *is* near to those who fear Him, That glory may dwell in our land. <sup>10</sup> Mercy and truth have met together; Righteousness and peace have kissed. <sup>11</sup> Truth shall spring out of the earth, And righteousness shall look down from heaven. <sup>12</sup> Yes, the LORD will give *what is* good; And our land will yield its increase. <sup>13</sup> Righteousness will go before Him, And shall make His footsteps *our* pathway.

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

### **#5** Lord, Open Thou My Heart to Hear

### INVOCATION

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



p We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

- all Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth, In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins.
  By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord
  Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.



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 Let us pray ... O God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy. Grant us the fullness of Your grace that we may be called to repentance and made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.



**I Corinthians I:18-31** <sup>18</sup> For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup> For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent<sup>1</sup>." <sup>20</sup> Where *is* the wise? Where *is* the scribe? Where *is* the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? <sup>21</sup> For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup> For

Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; <sup>23</sup> but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks<sup>1</sup> foolishness, <sup>24</sup> but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.<sup>25</sup> Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.<sup>26</sup> For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called. <sup>27</sup> But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; <sup>28</sup> and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, <sup>29</sup> that no flesh should glory in His presence. <sup>30</sup> But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God-- and righteousness and sanctification and redemption--<sup>31</sup> that, as it is written, "He who glories, let him glory in the LORD<sup>I</sup>."

Matthew 13:1-9 On the same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the sea. <sup>2</sup> And great multitudes were

gathered together to Him, so that He got into a boat and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore. <sup>3</sup> Then He spoke many things to them in parables, saying: "Behold, a sower went out to sow. <sup>4</sup> "And as he sowed, some *seed* fell by the wayside; and the birds came and devoured them. <sup>5</sup> "Some fell on stony places, where they did not have much earth; and they immediately sprang up because they had no depth of earth. <sup>6</sup> "But when the sun was up they were scorched, and because they had no root they withered away. <sup>7</sup> "And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked them. <sup>8</sup> "But others fell on good ground and yielded a crop: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. <sup>9</sup> "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

p Blessed are they who hear the word of God and keep it.



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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.

### #783 Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep

### SERMON

Matthew 13:18-23 <sup>18</sup> "Therefore hear the parable of the sower: <sup>19</sup> "When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is he who received seed by the wayside. 20 "But he who received the seed on stony places, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; <sup>21</sup> "yet he has no root in himself, but endures only for a while. For when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles. <sup>22</sup> "Now he who received seed among the thorns is he who hears the word, and the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful. <sup>23</sup> "But he who received seed on the good ground is he who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and produces: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty."

# SHALL WE BLAME GOD OR GIVE GLORY TO GOD?



# #629 Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds OFFERING HYMN #441:1-2

We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be, all that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee. May we Thy bounties thus, as stewards true receive, and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first fruits give.

### 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.



### #52 Almighty Father, Bless the Word

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, July 14 9 am Worship Service Monday, July 15 9 am VBS 7 pm Worship Service Sunday, July 21 9 am Worship Service Monday, July 22 7 pm Worship Service

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

July 15 – VBS July 25 – Quarterly Voters Meeting Aug 11 – Swyter Installation and welcome brunch

#### FRUITS OF FAITH

Sunday Service –57 Monday Service –15 General Fund - \$3420 Missions - \$205 School Fund - \$25

#### USHERS FOR JULY (SUNDAY)

Gary Brown, Andy Kohn, Mitch Newton, Carter Newton

#### USHERS FOR JULY (MONDAY)

Bob Kirst, Jeff Jones, Greg Jones, Owen Jones

#### COUNTERS

Next Week Team # 2 David Draeger, Wayne Draeger Next Week Team #3 Randy Strelow, Robert Schmidt

#### SWYTER INSTALLATION

Karen Swyter's Installation is Sunday August 11. We will have brunch/ snacks after the service to welcome her and her family.

#### WORSHIP IN THE WOODS

Worship in the woods is scheduled for Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup> this year.

#### VBS

VBS snack sign up is on the bulletin board.

#### JULY REPORTS

July reports available.

#### JULY VOTERS' MEETING

The quarterly voters' meeting is July 25 at 7pm. See meeting reports for more information.

#### JACOB LILLO

Left this last week to serve in the Air Force. We pray the Lord will be with him, bless, keep him safe and bring him back again.

#### MARISSA MALECK

We are planning to receive Marissa Maleck into communicate membership on Monday July 15 at the 7pm service.

#### QUARTERLY VOTERS MEETING

July 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm is our quarterly voters meeting.

#### LAWN MOWING

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for lawn mowing. Please help if you can.

#### CONSTITUTION

There are copies of the Faith Lutheran Church and School Constitution in the magazine rack next to the bulletin board in the hallway

#### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Jer. 23:1–6 Psalm 23 Eph. 2:11–22 Mark 6:30–44



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