# Faith Lutheran Church



# The Spirit of the Lord

is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor.

Luke 4:18, NIV

# February 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

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#### Organist:

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# PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

#### Psalm 19:7–14

The Lord Is Manifested as Our Savior through the Preaching of the Gospel

When Jesus opens His mouth to preach, gracious words flow from His lips. The Scriptures are, indeed, fulfilled in your hearing (Luke 4:21-22). For Christ was anointed by the Spirit of the Lord "to proclaim good news to the poor," "to proclaim liberty to the captives" and "to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor" (Luke 4:18–19). By this proclamation, Christ releases His people from captivity and gathers them to Himself in His Church. So it was when the Lord released His people from Babylon and returned them to Jerusalem. "Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people," sanctified the whole congregation by the reading and preaching of the Law (Neh. 8:8–9). As the people then were urged to "eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready" (Neh. 8:10), so are you anointed by the Spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ to share in His feast and to serve the fellow members of His Body with His good gifts, "giving greater honor to the part that lacked it" (1 Cor. 12:12, 24)

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# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## #505 O'er the Gloomy Hills of Darkness

## INVOCATION

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



- 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 con-fess 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.







Let us pray . . . O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of Your people who call upon You and grant that they both perceive and know what things they ought to do and also may have grace and power to faithfully fulfill the same ; through Jesus Christ, Your Son , our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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## THE WORD

Nehemiah 8:1-3,5,6,8-10 Now all the people gathered together as one man in the open square that was in front of the Water Gate; and they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses, which the LORD had commanded Israel. <sup>2</sup> So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly of men and women and all who could hear with understanding on the first day of the seventh month. <sup>3</sup> Then he read from it in the open square that was in front of the Water Gate from morning until midday, before the men and women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law . . . <sup>5</sup> And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up.<sup>6</sup> And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God. Then all the people answered, "Amen, Amen!" while lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with *their* faces to the ground . . . <sup>8</sup> So they read distinctly from the book, in the Law of God; and they gave the sense, and helped *them* to understand the reading. <sup>9</sup> And Nehemiah, who *was* the governor<sup>1</sup>, Ezra the priest *and* scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day *is* holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn nor weep." For all the people wept, when they heard the words of the Law. <sup>10</sup> Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat, drink the sweet, and send portions to those for whom nothing is prepared; for *this* day *is* holy to our LORD. Do not sorrow, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

**I Corinthians 12:12-31a** <sup>12</sup> For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also *is* Christ. <sup>13</sup> For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-- whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free-- and have all been made to drink into<sup>1</sup> one Spirit. <sup>14</sup> For in fact the body is not one member but many. <sup>15</sup> If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I am not of the body," is it therefore not of the body? <sup>16</sup> And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I am not of the body," is it therefore not of the body? <sup>17</sup> If the whole body *were* an eye, where *would be* the hearing? If the whole *were* hearing, where *would be* the smelling? <sup>18</sup> But now God has set the members, each one of

them, in the body just as He pleased. <sup>19</sup> And if they were all one member, where *would* the body *be*? <sup>20</sup> But now indeed there are many members, yet one body. <sup>21</sup> And the eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you"; nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." <sup>22</sup> No, much rather, those members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary. <sup>23</sup> And those *members* of the body which we think to be less honorable, on these we bestow greater honor; and our unpresentable *parts* have greater modesty, <sup>24</sup> but our presentable parts have no need. But God composed the body, having given greater honor to that *part* which lacks it, <sup>25</sup> that there should be no schism in the body, but that the members should have the same care for one another. <sup>26</sup> And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with *it*; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it. <sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually.<sup>28</sup> And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, varieties of tongues.<sup>29</sup> Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles? <sup>30</sup> Do all have gifts of healings? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? <sup>31</sup> But earnestly desire the best<sup>1</sup> gifts.

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.

## Children's Sermon

## #508 Thou Whose Almighty Word

## SERMON

Luke 4:16-30 <sup>16</sup> So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. <sup>17</sup> And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written: <sup>18</sup> "The Spirit of the LORD *is* upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to *the* poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted<sup>1</sup>, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to *the* blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; <sup>19</sup> To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD<sup>1</sup>." <sup>20</sup> Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him. <sup>21</sup> And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." <sup>22</sup> So all bore witness to Him, and marveled at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth. And they said, "Is this not Joseph's son?"<sup>23</sup> He said to them, "You will surely say this proverb to Me, 'Physician, heal yourself! Whatever we have heard done in Capernaum<sup>1</sup>, do also here in Your country."<sup>24</sup> Then He said, "Assuredly, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own country. <sup>25</sup> "But I tell you truly, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a great famine throughout all the land;<sup>26</sup> "but to none of them was Elijah sent except to Zarephath<sup>1</sup>, in the region of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow.<sup>27</sup> "And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Elisha the

prophet, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." <sup>28</sup> So all those in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath, <sup>29</sup> and rose up and thrust Him out of the city; and they led Him to the brow of the hill on which their city was built, that they might throw Him down over the cliff. <sup>30</sup> Then passing through the midst of them, He went His way.

## Jesus Heals Through the Ears

Christ has come to set free all of creation from the bondage of sin. This release is a spiritual release that comes through the cross. It is not an undoing of all the pains and sufferings of this world.

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## #360:1-4,6 Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

## Offering Hymn #572:4

As the prospering hand hath blest, may we give Thee all our best. And by deeds of kindly love, for Thy mercies grateful prove, singing thus through all our days, Praise to God, immortal praise.

## 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 makeHis face shine upon you and be gracious to you.The Lord lift up His countenance upon you andgive you peace.



### #36 Now Thank We All Our God

#### Sermon Worksheet - Luke 4:16-30

When does this account actually take place and why does Luke put it here in his gospel?

What does this teach us about Jesus' purpose?

Trace the spiritual progression of Isaiah's prophecy.

Which of their senses were the people using?

Which one should they have been using?

Where did Jesus go?

#### SUNDAY FEBRUARY 2

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

#### **TUESDAY FEBRUARY 4**

7pm School Board

#### WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 5

3:45 Confirmation

#### SUNDAY FEBRUARY 9

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

#### **USHERS FOR FEBRUARY**

Gary Brown, Andy Kohn, Tim Gabrielski, David Draeger

#### COUNTERS

This Week Team # 1 Greg Suwanski, Keith Dickerson Next Week Team # 2 David Draeger, Wayne Draeger

### FRUITS OF FAITH

General Fund- \$4396 Missions - \$ 600 Mission Development - \$ 50 Building Fund- \$ 100 Sunday Service – 80 Communion – 59 Bible Class - 13 Sunday School - 7

### STUDENT DINNER

The Faith students in grades 3-8 are preparing and hosting a dinner on Wednesday, February 26th from 5-630. The students in grades K-2 will be performing a short skit during the dinner as well.

#### **ROUND ROBIN HELP**

March 8th is the Round Robin. Anyone willing to help with refereeing, scoreboard, etc., please reach out to Ryan Krueger.

#### YEAR END FINANCIAL REPORTS

Are done and are available in your boxes. If there are any questions, contact Sue Klawitter 920-295-3853.

#### **VOTERS' MEETING NOTES**

Highlights from the voters meeting The voters passed the council's recommendation to replace the lunchroom roof with steel. The cost was estimated at \$21,000.

A motion was made and passed to pay for the steel roof out of the building fund. If there is not enough money the council has permission to get a loan for the remainder.

Donations are needed in the short term for the lunchroom roof. Such donations should go to the building fund.

Within the next five years we will need another \$60,000 to redo the rest of the church roof with steel. Again, these donations should go to the building fund.

The voters would like input from the congregation concerning the color of the steel to be put on the roof. Please look at the colors posted on the bulletin board and speak to one of the council men about your thoughts.

The voters passed the council's recommendations to increase the base salary of the called workers by 3%. Full report available on the shelf.

#### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Isaiah 6:1–8 Psalm 138 1 Cor. 14:12b–20 Luke 5:1–11

#### CALL NEWS

Pastor Paul Krause of Trinity Lutheran Church and School, Watertown, SD and Zion Lutheran Church, Hidewood Township, SD has returned the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church and School, Mountain View, CA.

Sam Naumann of Eau Claire, WI has returned the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.

Teacher Claire Abbas of Berea Lutheran School, Inver Grove Heights, MN has returned the call to Trinity Lutheran School, Watertown, SD.

Teacher Mikkela Schmitt of St. Stephen Lutheran School has received the call to Trinity Lutheran School, Watertown, SD.

Ms. Blair Sydow has received and accepted the call to continue serving as the full-time upper grade teacher at Holy Trinity Lutheran School, West Columbia, SC.



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