

Faith Lutheran Church



THE LORD
is in
HIS HOLY
TEMPLE.

Psalm 11:4

July 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

July 27th, 2025

Liturgy: Common Service

Speaker: Pastor Matthew Ude

Organist: Pamela Schulz

PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 138

I will praise You with my whole heart; Before the gods I will sing praises to You. ² I will worship toward Your holy temple, And praise Your name For Your lovingkindness and Your truth; For You have magnified Your word above all Your name. ³ In the day when I cried out, You answered me, *And* made me bold *with* strength in my soul. ⁴ All the kings of the earth shall praise You, O LORD, When they hear the words of Your mouth. ⁵ Yes, they shall sing of the ways of the LORD, For great is the glory of the LORD. ⁶ Though the LORD is on high, Yet He regards the lowly; But the proud He knows from afar. ⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You will revive me; You will stretch out Your hand Against the wrath of my enemies, And Your right hand will save me. ⁸ The LORD will perfect *that which* concerns me; Your mercy, O LORD, *endures* forever; Do not forsake the works of Your hands.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#44 Ye Lands, to the Lord

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.



p In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will toward men,
We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you,
we glorify you, we give thanks to you, for your great glory
O Lord God, heav'nly King God the Father al - mighty,
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.



You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father;



have mercy on us, For you only are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord.



You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,



are most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

p The Lord be with you.



p Let us pray . . . O Lord, let You merciful ears be attentive to the prayers of Your servants, and by Your word and Spirit teach us how to pray that our petitions may be pleasing before You; 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 18:20-33 ²⁰ And the LORD said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grave, ²¹ "I will go down now and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry against it that has come to Me; and if not, I will know."
²² Then the men turned away from there and went toward

Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the LORD. ²³ And Abraham came near and said, "Would You also destroy the righteous with the wicked?" ²⁴ "Suppose there were fifty righteous within the city; would You also destroy the place and not spare *it* for the fifty righteous that were in it?" ²⁵ "Far be it from You to do such a thing as this, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous should be as the wicked; far be it from You! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?" ²⁶ So the LORD said, "If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes." ²⁷ Then Abraham answered and said, "Indeed now, I who *am but* dust and ashes have taken it upon myself to speak to the Lord: ²⁸ "Suppose there were five less than the fifty righteous; would You destroy all of the city for *lack of five*?" So He said, "If I find there forty-five, I will not destroy *it*." ²⁹ And he spoke to Him yet again and said, "Suppose there should be forty found there?" So He said, "I will not do *it* for the sake of forty." ³⁰ Then he said, "Let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak: Suppose thirty should be found there?" So He said, "I will not do *it* if I find thirty there." ³¹ And he said, "Indeed now, I have taken it upon myself to speak to the Lord: Suppose twenty should be found there?" So He said, "I will

not destroy *it* for the sake of twenty." ³² Then he said, "Let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak but once more: Suppose ten should be found there?" And He said, "I will not destroy *it* for the sake of ten." ³³ So the LORD went His way as soon as He had finished speaking with Abraham; and Abraham returned to his place.

Luke 11:1-13 Now it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, *that* one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples." ² So He said to them, "When you pray, say: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as *it is* in heaven. ³ Give us day by day our daily bread. ⁴ And forgive us our sins, For we also forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one." ⁵ And He said to them, "Which of you shall have a friend, and go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves; ⁶ 'for a friend of mine has come to me on his journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; ⁷ "and he will answer from within and say, 'Do not trouble me; the door is now shut, and my children are

with me in bed; I cannot rise and give to you"? ⁸ "I say to you, though he will not rise and give to him because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence he will rise and give him as many as he needs. ⁹ "So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰ "For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. ¹¹ "If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if *he asks* for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? ¹² "Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? ¹³ "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"

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.

#457 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

SERMON

Psalm 11:1-7 In the LORD I put my trust; How can you say to my soul, "Flee *as* a bird to your mountain"? ² For look! The wicked bend *their* bow, They make ready their arrow on the string, That they may shoot secretly at the upright in heart. ³ If the foundations are destroyed, What can the righteous do? ⁴ The LORD *is* in His holy temple, The LORD'S throne *is* in heaven; His eyes behold, His eyelids test the sons of men. ⁵ The LORD tests the righteous, But the wicked and the one who loves violence His soul hates. ⁶ Upon the wicked He will rain coals; Fire and brimstone and a burning wind *shall be* the portion of their cup. ⁷ For the LORD *is* righteous, He loves righteousness; His countenance beholds the upright.

Refuge Is In the LORD

The desire to flee comes from a fearful heart. A heart that is at peace does not need to flee. If we abandon the refuge of the LORD we have nowhere to go. If we take everything to him in prayer we have peace beneath his wings.

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes. The lyrics are: 'Create in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -'.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.
Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and
take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to
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#658 Onward, Christian Soldiers

Offering Hymn #788:1

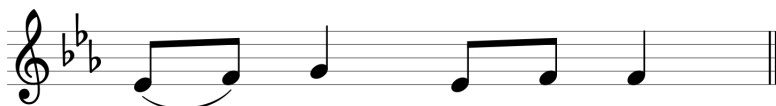
Lord, You love the cheerful giver who with open heart and hand, blesses freely, as a river that refreshes all the land. Grant us, then , the grace of giving with a spirit large and true that our life and all our living we may consecrate to You.

Prayers, 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 The Lord be with you.



And al - so with you.

p Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up un - to the Lord.

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



It is good and right so to do.

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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom we confess that you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, are one God and one Lord, and we acknowledge you as our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier. Therefore, with all the saints

on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy
name and join their glorious song;

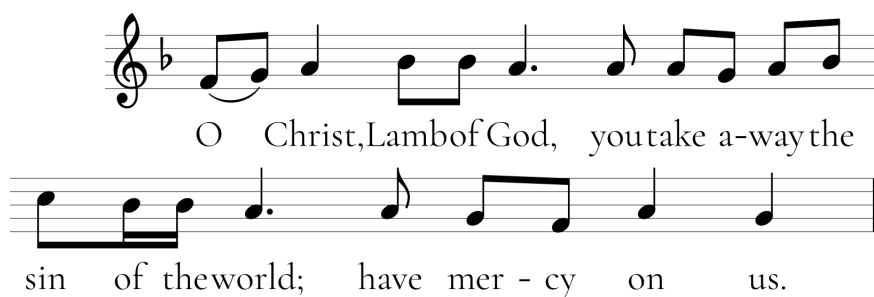
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord
God of heav - en - ly hosts; heav'n and earth are full
of your glo - ry. Hosan - na, ho-san - na, ho-san-na
in the high - est. bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he,
bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosan - na, ho-san - na, ho-san-na in the high - est.

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!



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
 O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 world; grant us your peace. A - men.

THE DISTRIBUTION

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

Distribution Hymn #755

Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace

ac - cord - ing to your word.

For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have

prepared be - fore the face of all people,

a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the

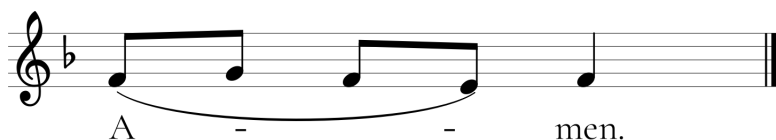
glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra-el.

THANKSGIVING

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

And his mercy endures for ever.

p We give thanks, almighty God, that you have re-freshed 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.



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.



#53:1-4 Abide, O Dearest Jesus

SUNDAY, JULY 27

9am Communion Service

MONDAY, JULY 28

7 pm Communion Service

TUESDAY, JULY 29

2pm Bible Class

THURSDAY, JULY 31

7pm Voters Meeting

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

9 am Worship Service

MONDAY, AUGUST 4

7 pm Worship Service

FRUITS OF FAITH

General Fund- \$ 3910

Missions - \$ 95

Sunday Service- 58

Monday Service – 10

USHERS FOR JULY

Russ Brown, Jim Brown,
Joe Brown, Fred Whitehouse

USHERS FOR MONDAY NIGHT

Andy Kohn, Todd Cotterill,
Troy Cotterill

USHERS FOR AUGUST

Mike Dumke, Dan Thiem,
Ryan Krueger, Andy Reyes

USHERS FOR MONDAY NIGHT

Bob Kirst, Greg Jones,
Dennis Jones, Lynn Dumke

COUNTER

This Week Team # 4

Lynn Dumke, Randy Strelow

Next Week Team # 5

John Bobek, Keith Dickerson

VOTERS' MEETING

Voters Meeting 7pm July 31

WOMEN'S RETREAT WEST

September 19 - 21, 2025

Sioux Falls, SD

WomensRetreat.clclutheran.net

MANUP

September 25-28 at Wyalusing

More information on the bulletin board.

MOWING

Signup sheet for mowing on the bulletin board.

SCHOOL CLEANING

There are sign-up sheets by the church, hallways, each classroom, bathroom, kitchen and cafeteria. If you can clean, please mark off what you have done

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Eccl. 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-26

Psalms 100

Col. 3:1-11

Luke 12:13-21

CALL NEWS

Lori Ruthenbeck and Mary Albrecht have both accepted their part-time, one-year calls to St. John's, Okabena, MN.

Pastor Emeritus John Schierenbeck has received the call to serve as vacancy pastor of Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church, Middleton, WI.

Pastor Tom Naumann of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Madison Heights, MI, has returned the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.

Teacher Kathleen Naumann of Immanuel Lutheran School, Winter Haven, FL, has returned the call to Luther Memorial School, Fond du Lac, WI.

Pastor David Ude of Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI, has received the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church, Mountain View, CA.

INSTALLATIONS

On Sunday, July 27, 2025, Mikkela Schmitt will be installed as teacher at Trinity Lutheran School, Watertown, SD.

RETIREMENTS

Pastor Paul Tiefel, Jr of Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI, has announced his retirement as of August, 2025.



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