

# Faith Lutheran Church



*let down your nets for a catch - Luke 5:4*

February 9, 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

February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Liturgy: Common Service**

**Speaker:** Pastor Matthew Ude

**Organist:** Pamela Schulz

# PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

## *Psalm 1*

### **Jesus Comforts His People and Builds Up His Church by the Ministry of His Gospel**

When Isaiah “saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up,” he was overcome with an awareness of his sin and “unclean lips” (Is. 6:1, 5). But the Lord atoned for his sin, took away his guilt and sanctified his lips with “a burning coal” from the altar (Is. 6:6–7). Not only was he rescued from death, but he was called and sent as a prophet of the Lord’s Word (Is. 6:8–9). Similarly, when Simon Peter and his companions “enclosed a large number of fish” at the Word of Jesus, he humbled himself and said, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man” (Luke 5:4–8). But Jesus comforted Simon, called him to discipleship and declared that he would be “catching men” (Luke 5:10–11). So in the Office of the Ministry, the Church remains the little boat from which Jesus teaches His people (Luke 5:3). Thus are we instructed in the faith, so that we say “Amen” and return thanks with heart, mind, tongue and life. For the preaching of Christ Jesus is a manifestation of the Holy Spirit, by which He builds up His Church on earth (1 Cor. 14:12–19).

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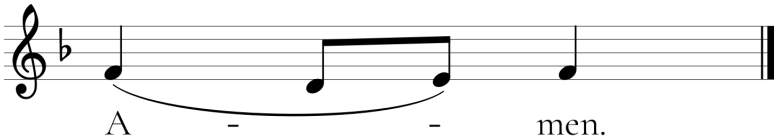
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# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## #4 God Himself Is Present

### 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.

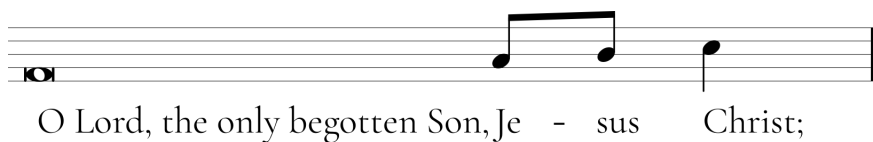
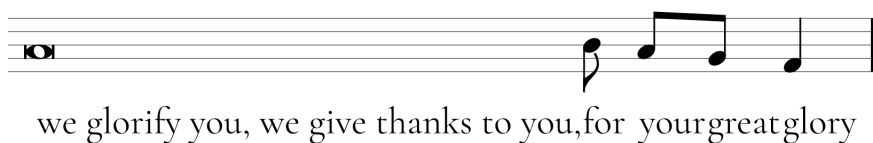
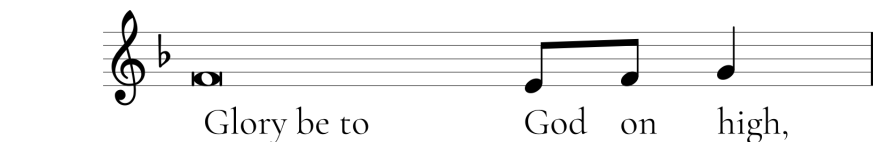
all Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. for this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Lord, have mer-cy on us, Christ, have mer -  
cy on us, Lord, have mer - cy on us.

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.

A - - - men.

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





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



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



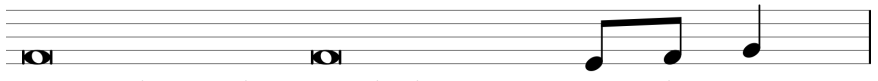
You sit at the right hand of God the Father;



have mercy on us, For you only are holy;



you only are the Lord.



You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit,



are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

p The Lord be with you.



p Let us pray . . . Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayer of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## THE WORD

**Isaiah 6:1-8** In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His *robe* filled the temple. <sup>2</sup> Above it stood seraphim; each one had six wings: with two he covered his face, with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. <sup>3</sup> And one cried to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of



hosts; The whole earth *is* full of His glory!" <sup>4</sup> And the posts of the door were shaken by the voice of him who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup> So I said: "Woe *is* me, for I am undone! Because I *am* a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, The LORD of hosts." <sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal *which* he had taken with the tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup> And he touched my mouth *with it*, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; Your iniquity is taken away, And your sin purged." <sup>8</sup> Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here *am* I! Send me."

**1 Corinthians 14:12-20** <sup>12</sup> Even so you, since you are zealous for spiritual *gifts*, *let it be* for the edification of the church *that* you seek to excel. <sup>13</sup> Therefore let him who speaks in a tongue pray that he may interpret. <sup>14</sup> For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful. <sup>15</sup> What is *the conclusion* then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the un-

derstanding. <sup>16</sup> Otherwise, if you bless with the spirit, how will he who occupies the place of the uninformed say "Amen " at your giving of thanks, since he does not understand what you say? <sup>17</sup> For you indeed give thanks well, but the other is not edified. <sup>18</sup> I thank my God I speak with tongues more than you all; <sup>19</sup> yet in the church I would rather speak five words with my understanding, that I may teach others also, than ten thousand words in a tongue. <sup>20</sup> Brethren, do not be children in understanding; however, in malice be babes, but in understanding be mature.

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.

## #496 Hark The Voice of Jesus Calling

### SERMON

**Luke 5:1-11** So it was, as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God, that He stood by the Lake of Gennesaret, <sup>2</sup> and saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing *their* nets. <sup>3</sup> Then He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land.

And He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat. <sup>4</sup> When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." <sup>5</sup> But Simon answered and said to Him, "Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net." <sup>6</sup> And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking. <sup>7</sup> So they signaled to *their* partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup> When Simon Peter saw *it*, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!" <sup>9</sup> For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken; <sup>10</sup> and so also *were* James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men." <sup>11</sup> So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.

# CAST YOUR NETS

You can't catch fish if your line isn't in the water. You can't win souls to Christ if you don't cast God's word. The world needs God's word more than ever and God promises to work through the preaching of his word. There is no reason not to cast God's word.



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-  
 hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men.

## #771 Listen, God is Calling

### 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.



## #769 Lift High the Cross

## **SUNDAY FEBRUARY 9**

9am Worship Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15 am Bible Class

## **TUESDAY FEBRUARY 11**

7pm Elders Meeting

7:30 pm Church Council

## **WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 12**

3:45 Confirmation

## **FRIDAY FEBRUARY 14**

No School

## **SUNDAY FEBRUARY 16**

9am Worship Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15 am Bible Class

## **FRUITS OF FAITH**

General Fund- \$2732

Missions - \$ 195

Bible Class - 12

Sunday School - 5

## **USHERS FOR FEBRUARY**

Gary Brown, Andy Kohn,

Tim Gabrielski, David Draeger

## **COUNTERS**

**This Week Team # 2**

David Draeger, Wayne Draeger

**Next Week Team # 3**

Randy Strelow, Robert Schmidt

## **STUDENT DINNER**

The Faith students in grades 3-8 are preparing and hosting a dinner on Wednesday, February 26th from 5-6:30. The students in grades K-2 will be performing a short skit during the dinner as well. Please RSVP before 2/21 by texting Rebecca or Jessica. Their numbers are on the back of the bulletin.

## **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%.

The following men were elected to council

Daniel Thiem

Michael Dumke

Gregory Jones

The following men were elected to school board

Andrew Reyes

Tristan Jenkins

Clay Bobek

Full report available on the shelf.

## COFFEE MUG

There has been a coffee mug on the table in the hallway for several weeks, if it is not claimed in the next couple of weeks it will go to the thrift store.

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Jer. 17:5-8

Psalm 1

1 Cor. 15:(1-11) 12-20

Luke 6:17-26

## CALL NEWS

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

Teacher Cathy Augustin of Berea Lutheran School, Inver Grove Heights, MN, has announced her retirement at the end of the current school year.

Pastor Cory Drehle of Berea Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls, SD has received the call to Pastor Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.

Pastor Paul Nolting of Grace Lutheran Church, Valentine, NE, Peace Lutheran Church, Mission, SD, and St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, White River, SD has announced his retirement effective Summer 2025.

Pastor George Dummann of Salem Lutheran Church, Eagle Lake, MN has received the call to Faith Lutheran Church, New Ulm, MN to serve as their pastor along with his current call.

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.

## Sermon Worksheet - Luke 5:1-11

What's the number one rule of fishing?

What's the number one rule of evangelism?

What's wrong with the "strong bad strategy?"

How do the people react to Jesus preaching?

Why?

What does that teach us about today?

What was odd about Jesus' command?

How did the "depths" during the "day" represent Galilee?

What does this teach us about evangelism?

What promises does God give us about his word?

What ought we to be doing with God's word?



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