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Card-Game Night

Hello friends! We had such a great time last month at our Pizza-Bingo Game night, right? Bring cards or board games and a snack to share. Saturday, May 21 5:30-7:30 pm



BOOK CLUB NOTES

We are currently reading Me Before You by Jojo Moyes. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, June 7 in the office at 6:30pm. We gladly welcome new members!



Brat Stand Sign up On the Board

Our famous Brat Stand will open on Fridays and Saturdays, beginning this Friday, May 20th. C'mon down and eat! Please volunteer!



Faith Lutheran Church

Faithfully Growing, Welcoming, and Caring through Christ

Pentecost Sunday
Sunday, May 15, 2016
9:30 am

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who calls us beloved children, who gathers us into one flock, who guides us into all truth.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sins, trusting that God will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (*Silence is kept for reflection*) Faithful and just God,

C: **we confess that we are captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We have not loved our sisters and brothers as you have first loved us. Forgive us, God of mercy. Let your Holy Spirit work in us to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the abundant life given in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.**

P: In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us and sent the Son to atone for our sins. In the name of + Jesus Christ, I announce to you that your sins are forgiven. Let the perfect love of God cast out fear, fill you with joy, and inspire you to live for others.

C: Amen.

~ OPENING HYMN ~

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind



1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl - wind, as on Pen - te -
 2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your
 3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from
 4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;
 pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,
 leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,
 rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,
 let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,
 for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;
 may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!
 kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!
 make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!
 claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

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 Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873-1932
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P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C: **And also with you.**



Today's altar flowers are presented by
 Todd, Anne and Rachel Strasser in honor
 of Ben Strasser's graduation.



Next week on Sunday May 22, we will
 host a joint worship service with our
 neighboring mission congregation,
 Open Arms Lutheran Church, Rockton.
PLEASE make a special effort to be with
 us to host that service and
 coffee hour fellowship.

***The Out To Dinner Group will be meeting Friday,
 May 20th at 6:00 pm at Road Dawg in Beloit,
 2956 Milwaukee Road. Sign up today!***



- Friday Night Fish Fry Buffet -
 All You Can Eat - \$12.49, Kids \$6.99,
 Seniors (One time through the buffet line) \$8.99

***Thanks to all who contributed recipes to our 75th
 Anniversary Cookbook project! The committee will be
 working to have it ready for purchase at the Ice Cream
 Social on Saturday, July 17th. It's going to be great!***

Please submit your prayer request on one of the worship cards in bulletin insert or contact the church office at (815) 389-1824 or by email at our new address: faithsouthbeloit@gmail.com. These are the prayer requests submitted last week.



Alexis, Alyson & Jarrett, Amy, Barb, Barry & Shelly, Beau, Ben, Betty, Bev, Bill, Bob, Brayton, Brett, Brian, Carl, Carson, Cindy, Connie, Connie & Denny Price, Corbin, Courtney, Danielle & Nicholas, Debi, Denise, Dennis, Diane, Dick, Don, Donna, Doris, Dylan, Edna, Eloise, Emily, Eric & Robin, Florence, Gary, Gavin, George, Gere, Gina, Grant, Harriet, Heather, Heidi, Helen, Irene, Jackie, James, Jean, Jeff, Jeremy & Family, Jerry, Jessie, Jim, Jim Mack, John, Joyce, Julie, Karen, Kelli, Kevin, Laurie Wicks, Laurray Coots, Linda, Marion, Mark, Mary, Maureen, Mike A., Nash, Nicole, Nikki, Rick, Robin, Roger, Ronnie, Ryan & Brynn, Ruth, Sam, Samantha, Sara, Sarah, Shannon, Sharon, Shelly, Shirley, Shirley Turner, Stephanie, Steve, Sue, Sue Miller, Tammi, Ted, Teresa, Tim, Tom, Vic, Vicki, Viola, all service men and women & all those who are homeless and unemployed.

We are pleased to celebrate the Feast of Pentecost by receiving new members and confirming three young people through Affirmation of Baptism. Being Confirmed today are Bailey C. R. Binder, Taylor Lenore Gruenberg, and Caitlinn Rae Wells. And being received into membership are Robert and Jodi Binder, sons Bailey, Corey, and Reese; James and Rebecca Gruenberg, daughters Taylor, Cameron, and Hayden; and David and Diana Schneider (transfers from Ascension Lutheran in Beloit). May God's special blessings be with each of them as they join the mission of Faith Lutheran Church!

Also, Pastor Meier will be handing out certificates of First Communion to several children today, who began receiving the sacrament at Easter. They include the younger Binder children, the younger Gruenberg children, Hannah and Samantha Guffey, Cameron Harper, and Erika Stinson. God bless them as they continue to grow in faith!

INTRODUCTION

P: Pentecost is a day of promises fulfilled. The promised Spirit of God is poured out. The baptized have become "children of God" and "joint heirs with Christ." By the power of the Spirit we have seen the face of the Father in his only begotten Son and been saved by him. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

ALL: **God, our Creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Children's Church

After the children's message, they are dismissed for Children's Church. Their teacher will accompany them downstairs.

FIRST READING ACTS 2: 1-21

R: **A reading from Acts, the 2nd Chapter**

When the day of Pentecost had come, the apostles were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs - in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

R: Word of God, Word of Life

C: **Thanks be to God!**



Worship

Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church. We are so happy to have you worship with us today! Please fill out the "Welcome" slip in your bulletin, pass it to the aisle where the ushers will pick them up during the opening song. Please join us after worship in our Fellowship Room for beverages, snack and conversation

Communion is by intinction. Come forward as directed by the ushers, receive the bread with an open hand then dip it in the wine (dark) or juice (light). If you accidentally eat the bread before dipping or drop it, please ask for another piece. You do not have to be a member of Faith or be Lutheran to take Communion. Christ is the host of the meal and ALL baptized believers are welcome!

Offering ~ As always, if you are unable to attend worship, please make sure to catch up with your **offering** the next week. Or, if you'd like, please mail it to the church office and write "offering" on the envelope and it will be included in that week's offering and seen only by the designated counters for the day. Thank you for being faithful in giving generously to God's work here at Faith Lutheran!

Financials for Sunday, May 8, 2016

Attendance: 90

Weekly Offering Actual	\$1,698.20
Weekly Offering Budget	\$2,068.00

Today's Worship Leaders

Altar Guild - Roger & Carol Frey

Computer Technician - Mike Banker

Offering Video - Helen Meier

Counters - Roger & Carol Frey

Fellowship - *

Greeters - Liz Shockley & Teresa Moffitt

Musician - Betty Comins

Reader - Kathy Strasser

Ushers - Doug Congdon and George Brunson

Interim Pastor - Rev. Dr. Richard J. Meier

* We desperately need people to sign up for Fellowship!

~ CLOSING HYMN ~

Lead On, O King Eternal!



1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;
2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,



hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents will be our home.
and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears.



Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong;
for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir-ring drums,
Your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light;



and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
but deeds of love and mer - cy the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

Text: Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1862-1917
Music: LANCASHIRE, Henry T. Smart, 1813-1879

DISMISSAL

P: Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness;
be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good;
render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint
hearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor
all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power
of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b ~ A Responsive Reading ~

- R: How manifold are your works, O LORD! In wisdom
you have made them all; the earth is full of your
creatures.
- C: **Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms
too many to number, living things both small and
great.**
- R: There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you
made for the sport of it.
- C: **All of them look to you to give them their food in
due season.**
- R: You give it to them; they gather it; you open your
hand, and they are filled with good things.
- C: **When you hide your face, they are terrified; when
you take away their breath, they die and return to
their dust.**
- R: You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;
and so you renew the face of the earth.
- C: **May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O
LORD, rejoice in all your works.**
- R: You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch
the mountains and they smoke.
- C: **I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise
my God while I have my being.**
- R: May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in
the LORD.

SECOND READING ROMANS 8:14-17

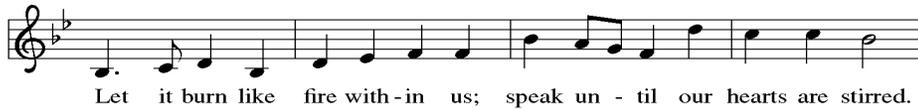
R: **A reading from Romans, the 8th Chapter**

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For
you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you
have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!",
it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are
children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint
heirs with Christ - if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may
also be glorified with him.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA



GOSPEL John 14:8-17

P: The holy gospel according to John.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Philip said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

SERMON ~ "Plug Into the Power!"

THE LORDS PRAYER

**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.**

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: We give you thanks, O God, that you make your home with us, bringing heaven to earth in this holy meal. Fill us with your Spirit as we go from here, that we may wipe away tears, tend to those in mourning and pain, seek the healing of the nations, and bring to earth the presence of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen**

BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

~ Hymn of the Day ~

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

C: we give you thanks and praise. Amen

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts

C: We lift them to the Lord.

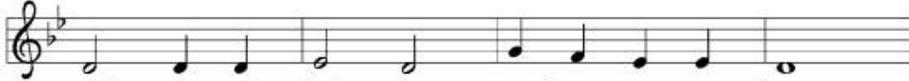
P: Let us give thanks and praise to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION



Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart



1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
 2 I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,
 3 Have you not bid me love you, God and King;
 4 Teach me to love you as your an - gels love,



wean it from earth, through all its puls - es move;
 no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,
 all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
 one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame:



stoop to my weak - ness, strength to me im - part,
 no an - gel vis - i - tant, no op - 'ning skies;
 I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling,
 the bap - tism of the heav' n - de - scend - ed dove,



and make me love you as I ought to love.
 but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
 Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!
 my heart an al - tar, and your love the flame.

Text: George Croly, 1780-1860
 Music: MORECAMBE, Frederick C. Atkinson, 1841-189



The Rite of Affirmation of Baptism (Confirmation)

Reception of New Members

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Rooted in the abundant life and love of Christ Jesus, we pray for the life of the church, the lives of people in need, and the life of all creation. *A brief silence.* O God, move among your people and send forth your Spirit to make your church a holy place where people find welcome, Christ's compassion, and new life. Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

P: Send forth your Spirit to renew the earth in the wake of storms, earthquakes, or human misuse. Breathe life into every mountain and valley, stream and ocean (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

P: Send forth your Spirit to unite all nations in caring for those who are vulnerable or in need. Help us to put aside our differences and to seek your will. Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

P: Send forth your Spirit to aid people in distress (*especially*). Sweep them up in the movement of your Spirit, and fulfill your everlasting promises for all. Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

P: Send forth your Spirit to knock down barriers that prevent people from receiving your good news. Guide interpreters and cultural ambassadors who open lines of communication. Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

P: Send forth your Spirit to unite us with the saints of every time and place. By the gifts of your Spirit, rouse us to deeds of mercy and words of kindness. Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

P: We deliver all this into your care, O God, trusting in the work of your Holy Spirit to bring all things into the risen life of Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**



OFFERTORY RESPONSE



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.