



*We pray for the homeless, those with mental struggles, unemployed, our shut-ins, college students, all military & their families, First Responders. We pray for our friends, families & our loved ones, especially:* Alyson &

Jarrett, Audrey, Aunt Bettie, Austin Wagner, Barry & Joann, Barry & Shelby, Beth, Bev, Bill, Bob, Brad, Brayton, Brenda, Brett, Brian, Cindy, Claudine, Courtney, Darrell, Debbi, Denise, Diana, Dodi, Don, Doug, Eloise, Eric Murphy & Family, Evelyn, Family of Don Stur, Florence, Gail, Gary, Gary McGuire & Family, Gavin, Heidi, Inez, Irene, Jackie, Jaleena, Janet, Jen, Jenny, Jerry Miller, Jim, Joann, John, Julie, June, Kelli, Larry, Mandy, Marion, Meri, Mike, Mya, Nelson Family, Nikki, Rich, R.J. Daniels, Robin, Roger, Ryan McGuire & Family, Sharon, Sherry Lou, Steve, Susan, Tallen, Tammy, Teresa, Tim, Tina, Tom, Vicki, Violet, and Zach.



The Out to Dinner Group will meet Friday, October 18th at 6:00 PM at Jessica's Restaurant, 5091 Edgemere Ct. Roscoe, IL Please sign up on the board by Sun., October 13th All are invited!



BUY A BRICK  
FOR SOMEONE  
SPECIAL

Memorial Bricks are still available for purchase...a beautiful & forever way to celebrate or remember. Flyers are on narthex table.



*Our Confirmation program begins this Sunday, Oct. 6th after church at 10:45am. Please speak to Pastor Rick or Anne Strasser of your interest.*



## Faith Lutheran Church

*Faithfully Growing, Welcoming, and Caring through Christ*

Sunday, October 6, 2019

17th Sunday after Pentecost - 9:30 am

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSON AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, † one God, the strength of our ancestors, the host of this meal, the builder of the city that is to come.

C: Amen.

P: If we have died with Christ, we will also live with Christ.  
Let us confess our sin to the one who is faithful.  
(A brief silence.) God our helper,

C: We confess the many ways we have failed to live as your disciples. We have not finished what we began. We have feasted with friends but ignored strangers. We have been captivated by our possessions. Lift our burdens, gracious God. Refresh our hearts and forgive our sin. Raise us to the new life you have chosen for us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: There is rejoicing in heaven when sinners repent. Put your trust in these promises: God will never leave you or forsake you. You who were lost have been found. For the sake of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Rejoice with the angels at this good news.

C: Amen.

BEAUTIFUL  
IN GOD'S EYES

## OPENING HYMN

### God Is Here!



1 God is here! As we your people meet to of - fer  
 2 Here are sym-bols to re - mind us of our life - long  
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's  
 4 Lord of all, of church and king-dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea-sure  
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;  
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,  
 change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the  
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -  
 Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vant  
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts  
 ty of preach-ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,  
 of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore  
 ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in to o - pen minds and hearts.  
 here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.  
 what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.  
 we, who can - not live with-out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903-2000

Music: ABBOT'S LEIGH, Cyril V. Taylor, 1907-1991

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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.



# Happy Birthday!

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

**3 – Jodi Binder, 4 – Sammy McCormick, 10 – June Brady,  
 11 – Mike Marty, 17 – Anna Hatch, 19 – Bob Strasser,  
 21 – Edward Schuller, 22 – Gail Kelce, 25 – Cathy Murphy,  
 26 – Pat Wicks, 30 – Ray Wendell, 31 – Russell G. Scheibel**



**We are participating in the Pop Tab Collection Program. Little things can make a big difference! Please save your pop top pull tabs for Ronald McDonald House. There is a container in the kitchen. Thanks for your help!**



## Lay Readers

**Please consider being one of our readers! You'll get a copy of the readings ahead of time - C'mon - it's not hard at all! Sign up today! The**

The next Church Council meets Mon., Oct.  
 21st at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Room.

We are seeking people willing to serve on  
 council; 5 seats will open in Jan.  
 Think about it - we need YOU!



**FLC BRAT STAND  
 CLOSED FOR 2019!  
 Heartfelt thanks to  
 all who supported &  
 helped make this  
 year the best ever!**



# Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church

We are happy to have you worship with us today! Please stay and join us for a bite to eat & drink after worship. **Communion** is by intinction. Come forward to receive the bread, dip in the wine (dark) or juice (light). Gluten-free wafers are available - indicate to Pastor when it's your turn. You don't have to be a member of Faith or even be Lutheran to take Communion. Christ is the host - ALL baptized are welcome at God's table.

**Offering** ~ As always, if you are unable to attend worship, please make sure to catch up with your **offering** next week. Thanks for being so faithful in giving generously to God's work at Faith Lutheran.

## Financials for Sunday, September 29, 2019- Week #39

Attendance - 68

Actual Offering	\$1,681.00
Weekly Offering Budget	\$2,150.00
2019 YTD Actual Offering	\$87,342.36
2019 YTD Offering Needed	\$83,850.00

## Today's Worship Leaders

**Altar Guild** - Carol & Roger Frey

**Computer Technician** - Anne & Todd Strasser

**Offering Video** - Anne Strasser

**Reader** - Mike Marty

**Counters** - Bob & Kathy Strasser

**Fellowship** - Bernie & Pat Parisot

**Greeters** - Teresa, Liz & Ruth

**Musician** - Betty Comins

**Ushers** - Ray Wendell & Doug Congdon

**Pastor** - Rev. Dr. Richard J. Meier

*Today's altar flowers are donated by  
The Cliff Family*

*In Memory of Fran Cliffe  
The Hedrington, Dittmer, Rowlett.,  
Stubbendrek, & Nolan Families  
In Memory of Donna Hedrington*



## INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

P: A little faith goes a long way is our Lord's point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in water and the word (holy baptism), bread and wine (holy communion), the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

C: Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. (*A brief silence*) Benevolent, merciful God:

C: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

### FIRST READING: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

A reading from Habakkuk.

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous—therefore judgment comes forth perverted. I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

## A RESPONSIVE READING FROM PSALM 37

- R: Do not be provoked by evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- C: For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.**
- R: Put your trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture.
- C: Take delight in the Lord, who shall give you your heart's desire.**
- R: Commit your way to the Lord; put your trust in the Lord, and see what God will do.
- C: The Lord will make your vindication as clear as the light and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.**
- R: Be still before the Lord and wait patiently. Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- C: Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.**
- R: For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who hope in the Lord shall possess the land.

## SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

A reading from 2 Timothy.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and

## BLESSING

- P: Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us. Almighty God + bless you with grace, mercy, and peace, now and forever.
- C: Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless-ing, nev - er a - lone.  
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.  
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour-ished, clos - er to me.  
  
Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.  
  
In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.  
  
Go, my chil - dren, with my bless-ing, you are my own."  
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."  
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour-ished, joy - ful and free."

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.  
Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional  
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## Dismissal

- P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.**

## OFFERING

**VIDEO DURING OFFERTORY**  
“Joy”  
By “for King & Country”

### OFFERTORY RESPONSE

*We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, in thee.  
May we thy bounties thus, as stewards true receive,  
And gladly as though blessed us, to thee our first-fruits give.*

### OFFERING PRAYER

P: God our provider, we bring nothing into this world and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: 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 ~

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

### ~ COMMUNION ~

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.

Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

### Gospel: Luke17:5-10

P: The Gospel according to Luke, the 17th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you. “Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’? Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink’? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON  
“Just Doing Our Duty”

Hymn of the Day

My Faith Looks Up to Thee



1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,  
2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,  
3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a - round me spread,  
4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream



Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my  
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my  
be thou my guide; bid dark-ness turn to day, wipe sor-row's  
shall o'er me roll; blest Sav - ior, then, in love fear and dis -



guilt a - way, oh, let me from this day be whol - ly thine!  
love to thee pure, warm, and change-less be, a liv - ing fire!  
tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.  
trust re-move; oh, bear me safe a - bove, a ran - somed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808–1887  
Music: OLIVET, Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
    he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
    and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
    the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
    the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Knowing the one in whom we trust, and with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all in need. (*A brief silence*). Increase the faith of your church. Give us courage when we are reticent in sharing your love. Renew in us your holy calling, according to your own purpose and grace.

Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Tend the garden of your creation that teems with all kinds of life. Restore us as caretakers of animals and plants, mindful of the generations to come. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Destruction and violence are ever before us, and strife and contention rise up in many nations. Draw to yourself all the people of the world, emboldening them to strive for peaceful and just solutions to conflict. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: You promise life and wholeness to those who wait patiently for you, and you hear those who cry out to you for help. Heal the sick, bind up the brokenhearted, and attend to all in need of your care (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Rekindle your gift of love in this community. Bind together in Christ the weak and the strong, those with little faith and those with much. Help us to respond to one another with Christlike compassion. Lord, in your mercy

C: hear our prayer.

P: We remember with gratitude the faithful who have guided the next generations. Gather us and all your holy ones into the eternal, risen life in Christ. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Trusting and delighting in you, we commend all our lives into your loving hands. We offer these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.