



LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, August 11th is our Annual Church Picnic & Outdoor Worship Service, beginning at 10am. Steve Weber will be our musician. Church will provide chicken, water and lemonade, and tableware. Bring a dish to pass and your lawn chairs!

Faith Lutheran Car Cruise In will be held on Saturday, September 21st. Put this fun event on your calendar!



Saturday, November 16
10am-3pm Craft Show/Bake Sale
\$25 Booth Inside at Didier Hall,
at St. Peter Church, South Beloit
CRAFTERS WANTED - call 815-389-1824



JULY BIRTHDAYS

2 – Tim Boyette, 5 – Bonnie Cliffe, 5 – Corey Binder,
5 – Debi Nelson, 9 – Mindy Birch, 11 – Grayson Marty,
14 – John Coots, 14 – Laurie Wicks, 15 – Mike Hedrington,
16 – Anne Strasser, 16 – Don Reedy, 17 – Linda Gilbert,
18 – Mallory Brown, 19 – Marcy Reedy, 19 – Todd Strasser,
19 - Jane Makhholm, 24 – Doug Congdon, 26 – Mike Banker, 27 – Sue Brunson,
28 – Sarah Rice-Devlin, 30 – Amanda Guffey, 30 – Pastor Rick Meier

In Case of a Pastoral Need: **Pastor Rick Meier**

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Faith Lutheran Church

Faithfully Growing, Welcoming, and Caring through Christ
Praise & Worship Service ~ Sunday, July 28, 2019
7th Sunday after Pentecost ~ 9:30 am

PRELUDE VIDEO *“He Has Made Me Glad”* by Maranatha Singers
Welcome and Announcements

OPENING SONG *“Lord, You Are Good”* by Israel Houghton
INVOCATION

P: We gather in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

P: Persistence in prayer evoked the admiration of Jesus and wins the attention of the Lord when Abraham intercedes for Sodom. The life of the baptized - to be rooted and built up in Christ Jesus the Lord - is to be rooted in prayer. God hears and answers prayer and so strengthens God's own. *“When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.”*

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. *(A brief silence.)* Almighty and ever-living God,
C: **you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Children's Church

READING: Colossians 2:6-15

A reading from Colossians, the 2nd chapter.

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ.

For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority.

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

A Responsive Reading From Psalm 138

P: I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

C: I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.

P: When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.

C: All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD, when they have heard the words of your mouth.

P: They will sing of the ways of the LORD, that great is the glory of the LORD.

C: The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughtiness from afar.

P: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

C: You will make good your purpose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

Gospel Acclamation: *“Ancient Words”* by Lynn DeShazo

GOSPEL: Luke 11:1-13

P: The holy gospel according to Luke, the 11th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.” He said to them, “When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.” And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him,

Financials for Sunday, July 21, 2019 - Week 29

Attendance - 83

Weekly Offering Actual - \$1,916.80

Weekly Offering Needed - \$2,150.00

2019 YTD Actual Offering - \$66,244.86

2019 YTD Needed - \$52,350.00



We pray for our shut-ins, college students, all military & first responders and their families, homeless, those unemployed, those struggling with their sexuality, friends & family: Aaron, Adam, Alyson & Jarrett, Angie, Ann, Anna, Ashley, Audrey, Aunt Bettie, Austin Wagner,

Barb & Phil, Barry & Joann, Barry & Shelby, Beth, Bert E., Betty, Betty Comins, Bev, Bill, Bob, Brad, Brayton, Brenda, Brian, Brett, Cazmyre, Cindy, Claudine, Courtney, Darrell, Debbie, Debi, Denise, Diane, Dick, Dodi, Don, Don & Florence, Don & Harriet, Doug, Doug N., Emma, Evelyn, Heather, Heidi, Dodi, Donna, Eloise, Emma, Ethel, Erik, Evelyn, Florence, Gail, Gary, Gary, Renee & Jack McGuire, Gavin, George, Gere, Greg, Heidi, Helen, Isaiah, Inez, Irene, Irene A., Jackie, Jaleena, Jan, Janet, Janie, Jean, Jeff, Jess, Jim, Joan, Joanie, John, Julia, Julie, June, Kamya, Karan, Kathy, Kathy C., Kathy Mears, Katie, Kayla, Kelli, Kenny, Kevin, Kim, Kim & Pete, Kris, Lacy, Larry, Lauri, Leroy & Ingrid Webb, Lexi, Linda, Linda G., Lisa, Liz, Liz Shockley, Lois, Lori, Lorrie, Lynn, Mandy, Marion, Mary Jane, Matt, Maureen M., Mike, Mike Frank, Missy, Mya, Nancy, Nikki, Owen, Pat, Paula, Payton, Ralph, Ric Wicks, Rich, Rick, Rikki Riann, Robin, Eric & Violet Murphy, Roger, Ruthann, Ryan, Brynn & Ellis McGuire, Ryan McGuire Family, Ryker, Sam, Sandy, Sarah, Savannah, Scott, Selena, Shannon, Sharon, Sherry, Stephanie, Steve, Stuart, Sue, Susan, Tallen, Tammy, Ted, Teresa, Teri, Terri, Tim, Tina, Todd, Tom, Tony, Tracy, Trisha, Tristan, Vic, Vicki, Vicky, Viola, Violet, Vivian, Zach



THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO IS HELPING WITH THE BRAT STAND!! YOU'RE ALL AWESOME!
Last day is Sat., September 28, so keep the faith and sign up for future days - 9 weekends to go! ??'s - See Anne Strasser, Pat Wicks, Craig Miller



This week's altar flowers are donated by Sue & George Brunson in honor of Sue's birthday

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with our heart, service our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING SONG: "**FOREVER**" by Chris Tomlin

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Today's Worship Leaders

Altar Guild - Carol & Roger Frey

Videographer - Helen Meier

PowerPoint Tech - Mike Banker

Counters - Carol & Roger Frey

Reader - Craig Miller

Fellowship - Sue & George Brunson

Greeters - Inez Miller and Gail Krause

Musician - Helen Meier: Praise and Worship music

Special thanks to Helen for putting this together!

Ushers - Doug Congdon and Tammy Dunkel

Pastor - Rev. Dr. Richard J. Meier



Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church

We are happy to have you worship with us today!

Join us in our Fellowship Room for a bite to eat & drink.

COMMUNION ~ ALL baptized Christians are invited and welcomed to receive Holy Communion at Faith Lutheran. Receive your bread or gluten-free wafer, intinct in the wine (dark) or grape juice (light).

OFFERING ~ Envelopes are available in your pew. If you're unable to attend worship, please make sure to catch up with your offering or mail it in. Thank you for being so faithful in giving generously to God's work at Faith Lutheran.

'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

"Rooted, Built Up & Established"

Song of the Day: "**THE LORD'S PRAYER**" by Albert Hays Mallet

CONFIRMATION CREED

We believe in God the Father, who is the Creator of heaven and earth. God loved his creation and said it was good.

God has given us life and things to support our life, like plants and animals. God is still creating through people, every time there is new life and more technology.

God provides for us by giving us all that we need for daily life.

We believe in Jesus Christ, who is the Savior of the world.

He healed many people because he cared about them.

He taught many stories and parables to his followers to increase their faith. He died on the cross to save us from our sins. He rose from the dead, and after he rose he commanded us to make new disciples all over the world. Because he loves us, he offers all who believe eternal life.

He promises to be with us till the end of the age.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who is the giver of our faith.

He gives us spiritual gifts like love, joy, and kindness.
He forgives our sins and helps us to live holy lives.
The Holy Spirit calls people to become part of the Christian Church, and helps the church to grow around the world.
He calls us to serve others in the world, and helps us live in peace with our neighbor. This is most certainly true. AMEN!

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Treasuring your promise to hear us when we call, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of your creation.
(*A brief silence.*) Merciful God, you know your church. Guard and keep the whole body of Christ. Increase in us strength, love, and peace so that we are a blessing to the world. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Merciful Creator, you know the work of your hands. Guard and keep your creation. Bless the work of those who tend the earth's resources and who seek to provide abundantly for all. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Merciful King, you know the nations, and you are the head of every ruler and authority. Guard and keep the world in justice and mercy, and let the words of your mouth bring peace on earth. Your kingdom come. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Merciful Lord, you know our needs. Guard and keep those who are hungry, those who are victims of violence or oppression, and those who are weary from illness (*especially*). Give us today our daily bread. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Merciful God, you know our congregation. Guard and keep those who enrich us with the gift of music in this place, proclaiming the gospel in song. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Merciful Lord, you know your saints. Guard and keep those faithful departed (*especially*). Inspire our confidence in you until that day when we are all raised in the power and glory of Christ. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: All these things and more we ask in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ, by the power of your Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERTORY VIDEO: "ONLY JESUS" by Casting Crowns

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our 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 (Modern Version) ~

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

~ COMMUNION ~

Communion Songs:

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul" by Darlene Zschech

"He Knows My Name" by Tommy Walker

