



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



This money is used to help with emergency circumstances to help assist individuals or families, as determined by Pastor. To donate to this fund, please use the envelopes in the pew, and write in **GOOD SAMARITAN FUND**.



Sunshine Committee

Graduation, Sympathy and Get Well cards will be sent upon notification. Please call Karen Murr at 815-389-2353, or Patti Dunaway at 608-751-1666



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

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



LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, August 11th is our annual Church Picnic and outdoor worship service, beginning at 10am. We're happy to have Steve Weber join us as our musician!



Faith Lutheran Church

Faithfully Growing, Welcoming, and Caring through Christ

Sunday, July 7, 2019

4th Sunday after Pentecost - 9:30 am

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin. *(A brief silence.)* God of mercy,

C: **we confess that we sinned against you, against one another, and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us † all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. For freedom, Christ has set us free: Rejoice in this good news!

C: Amen.



OPENING HYMN

Gather Us In



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old - who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the
 Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty, gath - er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the
 Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath - er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
 bread that is you; nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

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.



We pray for the homeless, unemployed, those with mental struggles, our shut-ins, our college students, all military men & women & families.

We pray for our friends, families & our loved ones:

Aaron, Adam, Alyson & Jarrett, Amy, Ann, Audrey, Austin Wagner, Barry & Shelby, Betty, Bill, Bob, Brad, Brenda, Carol, Cazmyre, Chris, Chuck, Claudine, Craig, Dan, Darrell, Debi, Denise, Diane, Dick, Don, Doug, Doug N., Duane Drye, Eloise, Emily & boys, (Eric, Robin & Violet Murphy), Emma, Ester, Ethel, Evelyn, Faith, Florence, Gail, Gary, (Gary, Renee & Jack McGuire), Gavin, George, Harriet & Don, Heidi, Inez, Irene, Iris, Jaleena, Janet, Janie, Jaxson, Jean, Jeff, Jessica, Jim, Joan, Joann, John, Jolynn, Julia, June, Karen, Kathy Mears, Kenny, Kim, Kim & Pete, Kris, Larry, Lisa, Lori, Mandy, Mary Jane, Matt, Meri, Mike, Mikey Murphy, Nan, Pastor Rick & Helen, Pat, Payton, Pete. Rich, Rick, R.J. Daniels, Robert, Ruthann, (Ryan, Brynn, Teddy & Ellis McGuire), Scott, Sharon, Shirley, Steve, Stuart, Susan, Tallen, Tammy, Ted, Terri, Tim, Tina, Todd, Tom, Tracy, Travis, Vicki, Violet, Vivian & family, Zach.



**6-Month Offering Statements are ready to be picked up today - please take yours with you!
 Thank you, Roger Frey**

IT'S BRAT STAND TIME!!

10:30 - 2:30 Friday & Saturday

PLEASE SIGN UP TO HELP!

AND - come and eat! Bring a friend

and come have a delicious lunch!



JULY: 5-Debi Nelson, 11-Grayson Marty, 14-John Coots, 14-Laurie Wicks, 16-Anne Strasser, 16-Don Reedy, 17-Linda Gilbert, 18-Mallory Brown, 19-Marcy Reedy, 19-Todd Strasser, 24-Doug Congdon, 26-Mike Banker, 27-Sue Brunson, 28-Sarah Rice-Devlin, 30-Amanda Guffey, 30-Pastor Rick

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.

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, June 30, 2019- Week #26

Attendance - 79

Actual Offering	\$1,415.00
Weekly Offering Budget	\$2,150.00
2018 YTD Actual Offering	\$59,218.06
2018 YTD Offering Needed	\$55,900.00

Today's Worship Leaders

Altar Guild - Carol & Roger Frey

Computer Technician - Helen Meier

Offering Video - Mike Banker

Reader - Alice Olson

Counters - Carol & Roger Frey

Fellowship - _____

Greeters - Inez Miller and Gail Krause

Musician - Betty Comins

Ushers - Doug Congdon & Tammy Dunkel

Pastor - Rev. Dr. Richard J. Meier



Ice Cream Social

The Ice Cream Social will be Sunday July 21st from 3 to 6 PM come rain or shine. Everyone is welcome. **Free ice cream!** Sign up sheets will be on the bulletin board for help, cakes and toppings. Questions? Call Pat Parisot 815-282-0953.

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

P: God is the source of our nourishment. Our Lord's invitation to "take and eat . . . take and drink" is a repeated one. In the holy eucharist, in the word read and proclaimed, in the assembly of the people of God, the dominion of God has come near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

C: **the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

FIRST READING: Isaiah 66:10-14

A reading from Isaiah, the 66th chapter.

Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her - that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

A Responsive Reading From Psalm 66

R: Be joyful in God, all you lands; be joyful, all the earth.

C: **Sing the glory of God's name; sing the glory of God's praise.**

R: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.

C: **All the earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your name."**

R: Come now and see the works of God, how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.

C: God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in God.

R: Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations; let no rebels exalt themselves.

C: Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

R: Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.

C: Amen.

SECOND READING: Galatians 6:7-16

A reading from Galatians, the 6th chapter.

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised-only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule-peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia! Lord and Savior open now your saving word!

Let it burn like fire within us;

Speak until our hearts are stirred.

Alleluia! Lord we sing for the good news that you bring.

CLOSING HYMN

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory



1 Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the com - ing of the Lord;
2 He has sound - ed forth the trum - pet that shall nev - er call re - treat;
3 In the beau - ty of the lil - ies Christ was born a - cross the sea,



he is tram - pling out the vin - tage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
he is sift - ing out the hearts of men be - fore his judg - ment seat.
with a glo - ry in his bos - om that trans - fig - ures you and me.



he has loosed the fate - ful light - ning of his ter - ri - ble swift sword:
Oh, be swift, my soul, to an - swer him; be ju - bi - lant, my feet!
As he died to make men ho - ly, let us live to make men free,



his truth is march - ing on.
Our God is march - ing on.
while God is march - ing on.



Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah!



Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah! His truth is march - ing on.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

VIDEO DURING OFFERTORY *"Hello, My Name Is..."* by Matthew West

OFFERING 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

**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: 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 your 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: Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the holy Trinity, + one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.

C: Amen.

GOSPEL: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

P: The holy gospel according to Luke, the 10th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'" "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon
"It's Worth Rejoicing!"



Hymn of the Day

Lord, You Give the Great Commission



1 Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the sick and
2 Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my name bap -
3 Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my bod - y,
4 Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther, what they
5 Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am with you



preach the word." Lest the church ne - glect its mis - sion,
tize and teach." That the world may trust your prom - ise,
this my blood." Let us all, for earth's true glo - ry,
do, for - give." Yet we hoard as pri - vate trea - sure
to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing,



and the gos - pel go un - heard, help us wit - ness
life a - bun - dant meant for each, give us all new
dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward, ask - ing that the
all that you so free - ly give. May your care and
may we serve as you in - tend and, a - mid the



to your pur - pose with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty:
fer - vor, draw us clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty:
world a - round us share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty:
mer - cy lead us to a just so - ci - e - ty:
cares that claim us, hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty:



With the Spir - it's gifts em - pow'r us for the work of min - is - try.

LUTHER'S MEANING OF THE 1ST ARTICLE OF THE CREED

I believe that God has created me together with all that exists. God has given me and still preserves my body and soul: eyes, ears, and all limbs and senses; reason and all mental faculties. In addition, God daily and abundantly provides shoes and clothing, food and drink, house and farm, spouse and children, fields, livestock, and all property -

along with all the necessities and nourishment for this body and life. God protects me against all danger and shields and preserves me from all evil. And all this is done out of pure, fatherly, and divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness of mine at all! For all of this I owe it to God to thank and praise, serve and obey him. This is most certainly true. Amen!

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Joining our voices with God's people around the world, let us offer our prayers for those in need. (*A brief silence.*) For the church and its ministries; for pastors and musicians; for teachers and leaders, that their joyful noise clearly announce your reign of peace come near, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

P: For your works revealed in creation: for rivers and streams; for thunderstorms and sunshine; and for those preparing for harvesttime, that you inspire our care for the earth, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

P: For peace and justice in the world; for all levels of government; for areas affected by strife, that those in authority always work for the good of all, bringing your justice to all people, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

P: For the sick and those who console them; for prisoners and those who show them mercy; for the downtrodden and those who help them flourish; for those suffering from malaria and zika; and for all in need of care (*especially*), that you comfort them as a mother comforts her child, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

P: For those spending time with friends and family this summer; for those making employment decisions; for those uncertain what the future holds, that they set their minds on Christ who has called us to himself, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

P: In thanksgiving for the faithful departed who have inspired us by their witness to the gospel, that with them we will know the confidence of being held in your embrace, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

P: Merciful God, you hear the prayers of your people even before they are spoken. We commend these and all our prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.