

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church

9:30 a.m.

Time after Pentecost

August 11, 2013

Welcome in Jesus' name. Please consider using the prelude as a time for meditation and silent prayer. This is the ideal time for quiet preparation, as we come to worship God. Holy Communion is celebrated today. All who are baptized into Christ Jesus are invited forward to receive Holy Communion. Those not communing may come forward to receive a blessing.

Prelude

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 3, page 138

(* Please stand if you are able)

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, abounding in steadfast love toward us, healing the sick and raising the dead, showering us with every good gift.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Just and gracious God,

C: we come to you for healing and life. Our sins hurt others and diminish us; we confess them to you. Our lives bear the scars of sin; we bring these also to you. Show us your mercy, O God. Bind up our wounds, forgive us our sins, and free us to love, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

P: The apostle Paul assures us: "When we were dead in our trespasses, God made us alive together with Christ, nailing the record of our sins to the cross." Jesus says to you, "Your sins are forgiven." Be at peace, and tell everyone how much God has done for you.

C: Amen.

***GATHERING SONG: *Day by Day* – Hymn 790**

***GREETING**

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.

***HYMN OF PRAISE – "This is the feast..." – Page 140**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

WORD

First Reading: Genesis 15:1—6

L: A reading from Genesis.

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 33:12—22 (To be read responsively by whole verse)

Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD,
the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.

**The LORD looks down from heaven;
he sees all humankind.**

From where he sits enthroned he watches
all the inhabitants of the earth--

**he who fashions the hearts of them all,
and observes all their deeds.**

A king is not saved by his great army;
a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.

**The war horse is a vain hope for victory,
and by its great might it cannot save.**

Truly the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him,
on those who hope in his steadfast love,

**to deliver their soul from death,
and to keep them alive in famine.**

Our soul waits for the LORD;
he is our help and shield.

**Our heart is glad in him,
because we trust in his holy name.**

Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,
even as we hope in you.

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1—3, 8—16

L: A reading from Hebrews.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old--and Sarah herself was barren--because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were

strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*** ♪ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION – "Alleluia. Lord, to whom..."** page 142

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the twelfth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 12:32—40

"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

Silence for reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY: *Have No Fear, Little Flock* – Hymn 764**

***CONFESSION OF FAITH – APOSTLES CREED**

P: Using the words of the Apostles Creed, let us confess our holy faith:

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again from the dead.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again 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**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(Each petition ends with P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.)

***PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

**C: God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open
your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we
may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our
redeemer and Lord. Amen**

***GREAT THANKSGIVING - page 144**

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 to the Lord our God.

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

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

♫ **C: "Holy, holy, holy Lord,..." - page 144**

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C: 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

♫ "*Lamb of God...*" – page 146

Hymns Sung During Distribution:

Hymn490: *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

Hymn 494: *For the Bread Which You Have Broken*

Hymn 502: *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

O God, as a mother comforts her child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

SENDING

*BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen

***SENDING SONG: *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* – Hymn 543**

*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ring of the Bell

Postlude

Alternate Worship Texts: *Sundays & Seasons*, copyright ©2013 Augsburg Fortress

Organist:	Our Savior's:	Linda Whitman
	Faith:	Jason Bousselot
Altar Ministry:	Faith:	Mark and Marsha Witte
Greeter:	Faith:	Lucy Lee-Petersen
Acolyte:	Our Savior's:	Drake Olson
	Faith:	Brienna Williams (CA), Garrett Condon
Lector:	Our Savior's:	Dave Whitman
	Faith:	Robin Costello-Smith
Communion Assistant:	Our Savior's:	
	Faith:	Mark Witte
Ushers:	Our Savior's:	Brian Bousselot, Paul Olson, Shane Glover, Ray Detlefs
	Faith:	David Bousselot, Terri Bousselot, Hannah Perrone, Garrett Perrone
Cleaners:	Our Savior's:	Terri and Julie Steines, Tate and Jessica Steines Jami and Trina Knoche

Holy Communion is celebrated today. All who are baptized into Christ Jesus are invited forward to receive Holy Communion. Those not communing may come forward to receive a blessing. Communion will be continuous. Please proceed forward at the direction of the ushers. White

grape juice is available during Holy Communion. Please indicate to the Assisting Minister if this is your preference.

Welcome to our guests and visitors. We are glad to have you worship with us this morning. Thank you for worshipping with us and please come back to worship with us again.

Those to keep in prayer this week: For Skye Doerscher, Kristi Reed, Candice Ogden, Richard Johnson, Claire Wallace, Julie Coopman, Nancy Schebler, Tom Wright, Caleb May, Josie Watham, Alex Luedtke, Nancy Ramige, Audrey Witte, Signe Rock, Myrtle Koslofsky, Florence Petersen, Evelyn Stueland and Myrna Kay Petersen; For Austin Miller, Christopher Holmes, Jeremy Koch, Brian Holmes and all others serving in the military.

Committee night will be held on Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at Our Savior's.

Worship Committee meets at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday at Our Savior's.

Joint Council meets at Our Savior's at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday.

Naomi Circle meets at 9:30 a.m. on Friday at Shirley Ferguson's. – 209 11th St. E, DeWitt. Marsha Witte will lead the Bible Study. Feel free to bring something to share for refreshments when we arrive.

The **Noisy Offering** will be collected next Sunday. The offering this year is designated for Messiah Lutheran Church in Parlin, New Jersey – an area suffering much damage from Hurricane Sandy.

Newsletter items for September newsletter are due August 20.

A hard copy of the Calamus Lutheran Parish Photo Directory is available upon request at a cost of \$6.00. This fee covers the cost of printing. You may order a hard copy by signing the clipboard located at the back of the church prior to August 31. **The \$6.00 fee will be collected when the directories are distributed.**

Join us for the 2013 Clinton Thrivent Night at the Ball Park on Friday, August 16 at 7:00 p.m. – the Clinton Lumber Kings challenge the Quad City River Bandits. Tickets are \$4.00 for General Admission (there are some in Jeannene's office) and box seat upgrades are available at the

Stadium Box Office. Proceeds will benefit the local Illinois and Iowa Special Olympics. Join us for food and drinks at the tailgate party beginning at 4:30 p.m. (north of the stadium). Make it a Family Night and let's fill the Stadium! **The first 500 children will receive a free baseball.**

This Week At A Glance

Today	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	9:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
Tuesday	7:00 p.m. -	Committee Night at Our Savior's
Thursday	6:00 p.m. -	Worship Committee meets at OS
	7:30 p.m. -	Joint Council meets at Our Savior's
Sunday	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	9:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church

Our Savior’s:

Worship Attendance, August 4 N/A

Faith: Worship Attendance, August 4.....	60
Offering, Sunday, August 4	\$2,182.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget	\$1,808.00

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