

**CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH**

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Faith Lutheran Church**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Time after Pentecost**

**September 8, 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; the only Sovereign, who dwells in light; Christ Jesus, who came to save sinners; the Holy Spirit, who lives within us.

**C: Amen.**

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

**C: we come to you with repentant hearts. Forgive us for shallow thankfulness. Forgive us for passing by the ones in need. Forgive us for setting our hopes on fleeting treasures. Forgive us our neglect and thoughtlessness. Bring us home from the wilderness of sin, and strengthen us to serve you in all that we do and say; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: There is joy in heaven over every sinner who repents. By the grace of God in Christ Jesus, who gave himself up for us all, your sins are forgiven and you are made free. Rejoice with the angels and with one another! We are home in God's mercy, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**\*GATHERING SONG: *Will You Come and Follow Me* – Hymn 798**

**\*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.**

**\*KYRIE – P: "In peace..." C: "*Lord, have mercy.*" – Page 138**

**\*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: Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen**

**CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann; Blessing of Back Packs**

**WORD**

**First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:15—20**

L: A reading from Deuteronomy.

See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 1** (*To be read responsively by whole verse*)

Happy are those

who do not follow the advice of the wicked,

or take the path that sinners tread,

or sit in the seat of scoffers;

**but their delight is in the law of the LORD,**

**and on his law they meditate day and night.**

They are like trees

planted by streams of water,

which yield their fruit in its season,

and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

**The wicked are not so,**

**but are like chaff that the wind drives away.**

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,

nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

**for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,**

**but the way of the wicked will perish.**

**Second Reading: Philemon 1—21**

L: A reading from Philemon.

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to

Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus

Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love--and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is

indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother--especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

One thing more--prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping through your prayers to be restored to you.

Epaphras, my fellow prisoner in Christ Jesus, sends greetings to you, and so do Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, and Luke, my fellow workers.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

**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 fourteenth chapter.

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

### **Gospel: Luke 14:25—33**

Now large crowds were traveling with him; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another

king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON** – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

*Silence for reflection*

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY: *Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake*** – Hymn

799

**\*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: Hear us, O God.*

**C: Your mercy is great.)**

**\*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: Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. 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:**

**Hymn 793: *Be Thou My Vision***

**Hymn 654: *The Church's One Foundation***

**Hymn 856: *How Great Thou Art***

**\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

We come again to you, O God, giving you thanks that in this feast of mercy you have embraced us and healed us, making us one in the body of Christ. Go with us on our way. Equip us for every good work, that we may continue to give you thanks by embracing others with mercy and healing; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen**

**SENDING**

**\*BLESSING**

P: God Almighty send you light and truth to keep you all the days of your life.

The hand of God protect you;  
the holy angels accompany you;  
and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and forever.

**C: Amen**

**\*SENDING SONG: *Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus* – Hymn 802**

**\*DISMISSAL:**

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Ring of the Bell

Postlude

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**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.

<b>Organist:</b>	Our Savior's:	Linda Whitman
	Faith:	Jason Bousselot
<b>Altar Ministry:</b>	Faith:	Lois Wessels, Rita Seastrand, Laurie Storjohann
<b>Greeter:</b>	Faith:	Meryne Henning
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Our Savior's:	Maia Glover
	Faith:	Beth Tulley (CA), Caleb Banowetz
<b>Lectors:</b>	Our Savior's:	Skye Doerscher
	Faith:	Lucy Lee-Petersen
<b>Ushers:</b>	Our Savior's:	Art Bousselot, Brian Bousselot
	Faith:	Yale Christensen, Colette Christensen, Adam Wilhelm, Mike Tendall
<b>Cleaners:</b>	Our Savior's:	Joel & Kay Olson, Dion & Dawn Olson, Mark Olson, Marcia Edens

**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 Barbara Dannatt, Skye Doerscher, Kristi Reed, Candice Ogden, 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.

**There is a Sunday School Class and an Adult Class** for all those from three years of age and above. Please join us at 9:25 a.m. at Our Savior's Church.

### **Parish Cook Out – Today**

**Calamus Community Park – 5:00 p.m.**

**Calamus Community Park – 5:00 p.m. Bring something to grill, a dish to share, something to drink and your own table service – See you there!**

**There is no committee night meeting this month.**



**TIME CHANGE! Worship Committee** meets on **TUESDAY** at 6:00 p.m. at Faith Church.

**Choir Rehearsal** meets at Faith Church on Wednesday at 8:00 p.m.

**Joint Council** meets at Faith Church at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday.

**For All Members of the Parish: Bishop Burke of the Southeastern Iowa Synod will be at Our Savior's Church on Thursday, September 19, at 6:30 p.m. to answer questions and address concerns regarding the ELCA's position on Human Sexuality and marriage. Please plan to attend.**

**First Holy Communion Class, Wednesday, October 2, 6:30 p.m.**

**Faith Church: Fifth graders**, this is your opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion with the members of your congregation.

**Parents are required to attend with you.** Those 5th graders that we are aware of are Colin Grau, Chloe Gronewold, Josh Gronewold, Austin Henning, Chase Knoche, Alyssa McElmeel, Magnus Sands, Anne Tulley and Ethan Wilhelm. If we have overlooked someone, please notify the church office 246-2622. **You will join the congregation in receiving Holy Communion during worship on October 6.**

It is that time of year for the annual **CROP Walk** around the nation – and at the **Wheatland Activity Center on Sunday, October 6. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. and starting time for the walk is 1:00 p.m.** As in past years, the young people of our congregations will walk to help provide food for people in the rural areas of the world. Walkers will be asking for your financial sponsorship. Please help as you are able. If you would like to walk and need a packet for sponsorships, please contact Pastor Sarah.

### **This Week At A Glance**

Today	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/Adult Class at OS
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's
	5:00 p.m. -	Church Cook Out at Calamus Park
Tuesday	6:00 p.m. -	Worship Committee at Faith Church
Wednesday	8:00 p.m. -	Choir Rehearsal at Faith Church
Thursday	7:30 p.m. -	Joint Councils at Faith Church
Saturday	11:00 a.m. -	Retired School Personnel Lunch at Faith
Sunday	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/Adult Class at OS
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's

#### **Our Savior's:**

Worship Attendance, September 1 ..... 34

**Faith:** Worship Attendance, September 1 ..... 75

Offering, Sunday, September 1 ..... \$2,723.74

Needed Weekly to Meet Budget ..... \$1,808.00

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