

# **CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH**

**Faith Lutheran Church**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Time after Pentecost**

**November 12, 2017**

**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

Ring of the Bell

Welcome

Announcements

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

***Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 3, page 138***

(\* Please stand if you are able)

## **GATHERING**

*\*Please stand.*

### **\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who calls us into an everlasting hope, who guides us to springs of the water of life, who enlightens us with the spirit of wisdom.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** One with the communion of saints in all times and places, let us confess our sins against God and one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: O God, our merciful redeemer,

**C: we confess the ways we live only for ourselves. We fail to see you in our neighbor's face. We turn our ears from vices that cry out. We pass by the hungry and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sin and strengthen us for service to all in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you and for his sake, God forgives you all your sin. Blessed are you! Rejoice and be glad, beloved people of God.

**C: Amen.**

**\*GATHERING SONG: "*Blessed Assurance*" – Hymn 638**

**\*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, let us pray to the Lord. – pages 138-139**

**C: "Lord, have mercy."**

**\*🎵 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: Let us pray.

O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*You may be seated.*

## WORD

### First Reading from Joshua 24:1-3, 14-25

L: A reading from Joshua.

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors--Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor--lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many. I gave him Isaac;

"Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the LORD, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the LORD and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good." And the people said to Joshua, "No, we will serve the LORD!" Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the LORD, to serve him." And they

said, "We are witnesses." He said, "Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the LORD, the God of Israel." The people said to Joshua, "The LORD our God we will serve, and him we will obey." So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

### **Psalm 78:1-7**

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;  
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

**I will open my mouth in a parable;**

**I will utter dark sayings from of old,**  
things that we have heard and known,  
that our ancestors have told us.

**We will not hide them from their children;**

**we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the  
LORD, and his might,  
and the wonders that he has done.**

He established a decree in Jacob,  
and appointed a law in Israel,  
which he commanded our ancestors  
to teach to their children;

**that the next generation might know them,  
the children yet unborn,**

**and rise up and tell them to their children,**

so that they should set their hope in God,  
and not forget the works of God,  
but keep his commandments;

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## **Second reading from 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

L: A reading from 1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians.

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*\*Please stand.*

**\* ♪ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Alleluia..." – page 142**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

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

**\* Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13**

"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! There will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.'

And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*You may be seated.*

**CHILDREN'S SERMON** – Pastor Bill Runaas - Noisy Offering

**SERMON** – Pastor Bill Runaas

*Silence for reflection*

*You may remain seated for the hymn.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY: "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness "**

– Hymn 488

*\*Please stand.*

**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH**

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**

**\*THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*(Each petition ends: P: Lord, in your mercy,  
C: hear our prayer.)*

**\*PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

*Greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace and be seated.*

**MEAL**

**OFFERING**

**PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS**

*\*Please stand.*

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

**C: Creator God,**

**You made everything, and you provide for every need. The bread we break and the wine we pour come from you. As we eat and drink with thanksgiving, fill us with your love; let that love flow through us to others; and join us to the saints before us in holy and boundless communion; through Jesus Christ our 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.**

### **\*INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: Hunger no more. Thirst no more. Come to the banquet of life.

*You may be seated.*

## **COMMUNION**

♪ "Lamb of God..." – page 146

### **Hymns Sung During Distribution:**

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

**Hymn 496: "One Bread, One Body"**

*\*Please stand.*

### **\*POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen



## **\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Sovereign God.

in this meal you give us a foretaste of the great feast to come. Keep us faithful to you that we, with all your saints, may at length celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord

**C: Amen.**

## **SENDING**

### **\*BLESSING**

P: The love of God surround you; the grace of Christ release you; and the Holy Spirit be your guide and strength, now and forevermore.

**C: Amen.**

**\*SENDING SONG: "O God of Mercy, God of Light"– Hymn 714**

### **\*DISMISSAL:**

P: Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

**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. Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available during Holy Communion. Please indicate to the Assisting Minister if this is your preference.

**Welcome to our guests and visitors.** We are happy to have you worship with us this morning. We invite you to return and worship with us again.

There is a "**cry room**" available in the back of each church, if you would like to make use of the accommodations.

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

**Those to keep in prayer this week:** Craig Henning, June Reimers, Andrea Shelton, Nan Anderson, George Tulley, Dennis Pewe, Will Wade, Chris Forret, Mary Ann Washburn Stuedemann, Lauren Dudley, Ethan Friedrich, Scott Fisher, Vicki Sharp; For the homebound: Geneva Meadows, Bus Seastrand, Hazel Richards, Ron Gasper, Alice Schroeder, Geri Schutt, Bob Barnard, and Myrna Kay Petersen.

**Pastor:** Rev. William Runaas, Jr.

**Pianist:** Faith: Rachel Bousselot

**Organist:** Our Savior's: Linda Whitman

**Altar Ministry:** Faith: Larry and Marilyn Schau

**Greeter:** Faith: Keith Steward

**Acolytes:** Faith: Isaac Wilhelm

Our Savior's: Hailey Glover, Nora Glover

**Lectors:** Faith: Heather Whitman

Our Savior's: Brian Bousselot

**Communion Assistants:**

Faith: Mark Witte

Our Savior's: Brian Bousselot

**Ushers:** Faith: Marilyn Schau, Larry Schau,  
Diane Wilhelm, Herb Wilhelm

Our Savior's: Dan Burke, Shane Glover

**Cleaners:** Our Savior's: Shane and Amy Glover

A community **Thanksgiving Worship** service will be held at Faith on Sunday, November 19, at 5:00 p.m. There will be no monetary offering. The offering will be paper products and canned goods for the Carrol Assistance Center in Wheatland. A soup and sandwich supper will follow the worship. Invite your friends and neighbors!

**God Squad** - We will be doing a baking day on Saturday, November 18, from 10:00 – 2:00. We will be making pies and cookies. If you would like to donate a pie already made, please contact Heather Grau or bring it to Faith.

**Pies and Cookies** made by the God Squad will be for sale during the Thanksgiving soup/sandwich supper on Sunday, November 19, at 6 p.m. Come support the kids in their fundraising.

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

Today	8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Faith Church 9:25 a.m. – Sunday School/Adult Class at Our Savior's 10:30 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
Monday	6:30 p.m. – Bible Study "Power Thoughts" at Faith
Tuesday	6:30 p.m. – Bible Study "Power Thoughts" at Faith 7:00 p.m. – Committee meetings at Faith
Wednesday	Noon – Lydia Circle at Crossroads Cafe in DeWitt 6:00 p.m. – Confirmation Class at Faith 7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice at Faith
Thursday	6:00 p.m. – Worship Committee meeting at Faith 7:00 p.m. – Joint Council meeting at Faith
Friday	9:30 a.m. – Naomi Circle at Crossroads Cafe in DeWitt
Saturday	10:00 a.m. – God Squad baking pies and cookies at Faith
Sunday	8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Faith Church 9:25 a.m. – Sunday School/Adult Class at Our Savior's 10:30 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's Church 5:00 p.m. – Thanksgiving Worship at Faith 6:00 p.m. – Thanksgiving Meal at Faith

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**Faith:**

Worship Attendance, November 5, 2017.....	56
Offering, November 5, 2017.....	\$1,153.00
Needed weekly to meet budget.....	\$2,182.00

**Our Savior's:**

Worship Attendance, November 5, 2017.....	30
Sunday School Attendance, November 5, 2017.....	21
God Squad Attendance, November 5, 2017.....	15
Adult Class Attendance, November 5, 2017.....	13

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