CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church - 8:00 a.m. Faith Lutheran Church - 10:30 a.m.

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 16, 2021

The Holy Spirit gathers people around the means of grace – the saving Word of God and the sacraments. From the table of communion where Jesus Christ comes with forgiveness, life, and salvation, God sends us out to share the good news and to care for those in need.

Welcome in Jesus' name. We are happy to have you worship with us this morning. We invite you to return and worship with us again. 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.

Safety protocols remain in place to help stop the spread of the coronavirus. Please wear a face covering during worship and stay a safe distance from others.

An offering plate will not be passed. Please place your offering in the plate at the back of the church.

As we return to the use of the Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) after a year, there are notes included in the bulletin about the pattern of worship. You will be asked to use the worship book more. Less will be printed in the bulletin.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 3

The **liturgy** is in the front of the ELW with page numbers at the bottom. The **hymns** begin in the middle of the ELW with numbers at the top of the pages.

Prelude Ringing of the Bell Welcome and Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion is celebrated today. All who are baptized into Christ Jesus are invited to receive Holy Communion.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Please stand as you are able. **Thanksgiving for Baptism** (page 97)

Gathering Hymn: "How Great Thou Art" (# 856)

Greeting (page 138)

Kyrie (pages 138-139; spoken responsively)

☐ Canticle of Praise: "This is the feast..." (pages 140-141)

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

You may be seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

L: A reading from Acts.

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶"Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—

¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry."

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1 (read responsively)

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;

² but their delight is in the law of the LORD,

and on his law they meditate day and night.

³ 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.

⁴ The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

⁶ for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Second Reading: 1 John 5:9-13

L: A reading from 1 John.

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. ¹⁰ Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. ¹¹ And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹² Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.
Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia" (page 142)

P: The Holy Gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 17:6-19

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸ for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. 9I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹ And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³ But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴ I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵ I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one.¹⁶ They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world.¹⁹ And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.C: Praise to you, O Christ.

You may be seated.

Children's Sermon – Pastor Roberta (Noisy Offering)

Sermon – Pastor Roberta

You may remain seated for the hymn, the creed, and the prayers. **Hymn of the Day:** "Borning Cry" (# 732)

Confession of Faith: The Nicene Creed (page 104)

Prayers of Intercession (pages 105-106) (*Each petition ends:* P: Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.)

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Presentation of the Gifts

Please stand as you are able. Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving (page 144; spoken responsively)

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
C: ♫ "Holy, holy, holy Lord…" (page 144)

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer (page 145) *You may be seated.*

Communion

J "Lamb of God..." (page 146)

All who are baptized into Christ Jesus are invited forward to receive Holy Communion. Those not communing may come forward to receive a blessing. Proceed forward at a safe distance from others. Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available.

Hymn during distribution: "If You But Trust in God to Guide You"

(#769)

Please stand as you are able. Post Communion Blessing Post Communion Prayer

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

Sending Hymn: "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" (# 779)

Dismissal P: Go in peace. Remember the poor. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Ringing of the Bell Postlude Pastor: Rev. Roberta Pierce
Organist: Our Savior's: Jason Bousselot or Linda Whitman
Pianist: Faith: Rachel Bousselot
Acolytes: Our Savior's: David Burke

Faith: Peyton Grau

Lectors: Our Savior's: Confirmands

Faith: Doreen Henning

Communion Assistants: Our Savior's: Cindy Burke

Faith: Marsha Witte

Ushers: Our Savior's: Dan Burke

Faith: Brian Tulley and Mark Witte

Altar Ministry: Faith: Mark and Marsha Witte
Cleaners: Our Savior's: Jason and Chad Bousselot

Those to keep in prayer this week: the residents and staff at Maggie's House, Neil Mason, Ole Olson, Betty Schau, Tim Burke, Jim Goddard, Barb Johnson, and George Tulley; the homebound: Bus Seastrand, Rusty Porth, Hazel Richards, Ron Gasper, Geri Schutt, Joan Shelton, and Myrna Kay Petersen; and those serving in the military.

Erica Will, daughter of Daniel and Megan Will, affirms her baptismal vows today at Our Savior's. May God continue to bless Erica on her faith journey. The confirmation class chose the hymns for today's worship.

Congratulations to the members of the Calamus Lutheran Parish who are graduating today from Calamus-Wheatland High School: Alyssa McElmeel, Andrew Grau, Chloe Gronewold, Joshua Gronewold, Austin Henning, Chase Knoche, Magnus Sands, Anne Tulley, and Ethan Wilhelm. May the Lord shower you with blessings!

Families of graduates have invited the Calamus Lutheran Parish to celebrations for:

Anne Tulley on Sunday, May 16, from 3:30 - 6:30 pm at Ruth Braet's shed on Hwy 30 in Calamus.

Andrew Grau on Sunday, May 16, from 5:30 - 8:30 pm at 1658 - 257th Street, Calamus.

Ethan Wilhelm on Saturday, May 29, from 4:00 - 8:00 pm at the Wheatland Community Hall.

Chase Knoche on Monday, May 31, from 3:00 - 7:00 pm at his grandparents' shed at 1769 - 245th Street, Calamus.

A note from Hailey Glover concerning her service project for Iowa

Youth Congress – Thank you for your donations of body wash, deodorant, toothbrushes, and toothpaste. All items will go to King's Harvest Ministries, a homeless shelter in the Quad Cities that feeds, houses, and helps people attain jobs to get them back on their feet.

The third Monday of Bible School is tomorrow at 3:15 at Faith. All children in Kindergarten through Fifth Grade are invited to attend the two remaining Mondays (May 17 and 24). The children will "Follow the Jesus-Built Road" with Bible lessons on wisdom, courage, love, and trust. Cash assistance is requested to buy individual snacks for the children. Monetary donations may be dropped off in the church office.

The **Southeastern Iowa Synod Assembly** is on Friday and Saturday. The theme is "Baptized and Set Free." Faith delegates are Terri Bousselot and Mark Witte. Our Savior's delegates are Brian Bousselot and Mary Timmerman. Delegates will conduct business via Zoom and visitors may follow the proceedings via Livestream. Log on at <u>https://seiasynod.org</u>

This Week At A Glance Week starting May 16

Today 8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's	
Confirmation at Our Savior's – Erica Will affirms her baptism	
9:30 a.m. – Sunday School/Adult Class at Faith	1
10:30 a.m. – Worship Service at Faith	
Monday 3:15 – 5:15 p.m. – Bible School at Faith	
Wednesday 7:00 p.m. – Bible Jam at Faith for JH and HS you	th
Thursday 6:00 p.m. – Worship Committee at Faith	
7:00 p.m. – Joint Council at Faith	
Friday & Saturday Southeastern Iowa Synod Assembly	
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's	
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