CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

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

Time after Pentecost

November 11, 2012

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 Ringing of the Bell Welcome and Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting3, page 138 (* Please stand if you are able)

CHOIR: "You Are Loved" by Cindy Berry

HOLY BAPTISM (See Insert)

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, clothed in majesty ever since the world began, who loves us and frees us from our sins, who leads us with all the saints to everlasting life.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God. God our maker and redeemer,
- C: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We come for refuge to your infinite mercy. You have given your only Son to die for us; have mercy on us, and for his sake, forgive us all our sin. By your Holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of you and your will, and true obedience to your word, that by your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God has had mercy on us, and God's only Son has been given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sin. Believing in Jesus' name, you have received power to become the children of God; you have received the gift of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

*GATHERING SONG: We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus – Hymn 451

*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: Let us pray.

O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Chris, our Savior and Lord. Amen

WORD

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17:8—16

L: A reading from 1 Kings.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be

emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth." She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 146 (*To be read responsively by whole verse*)

Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Do not put your trust in princes,

in mortals, in whom there is no help.

When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God,

who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;

who executes justice for the oppressed;

who gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets the prisoners free;

the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.
The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

the LORD loves the righteous.

The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow,

but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!

SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:24—28

L: A reading from Hebrews.

For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the

presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

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

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the twelfth chapter. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Mark 12:39—44

As he taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

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

SERMON – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann *Silence for reflection*

*HYMN OF THE DAY: This Is My Father's World – Hymn 824

*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:

戊 C: "Holy, holy, holy Lord,..." - page 144

*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.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION

☐"Lamb of God..." – page 146

Hymns Sung During Distribution:

Hymn 856: How Great Thou Art

Hymn 774: What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine Hymn 494: For the Bread Which You Have Broken

Hymn 462: Now We Join in Celebration

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hands is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

SENDING

*BLESSING

P: The love of God who created you, the mercy of Jesus Christ who died for you, and the power of the Holy Spirit who strengthens you, keep you at one with all the faithful, living and departed, and remain with you now and forever.

C: Amen

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

*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ringing of the Bell

Postlude

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Organist: Our Savior's: Linda Whitman

Faith: Jason Bousselot

Altar Ministry: Faith: Larry and Marilyn Schau

Greeter: Faith: Mark Witte

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Faith: Kai Sosa (CA), Brianna Williams

Communion Assistant:

Our Savior's: Paul Olson
Faith: Marsha Witte

Ushers: Our Savior's: Ole Olson, Paul Olson,

Shane Glover, Peter Whitman

Faith: Marilyn Schau, Larry Schau,

Diane Wilhelm, Herb Wilhelm

Cleaners: Our Savior's: Darin and Skye Doerscher

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 and worship with us again.

Those to keep in prayer this week: For all those who are ill: Mary Morehead, Rebecca Lara, Katy Petersen, Barbara Tendall, Jeannine Eden, Clara Wallace, Julie Coopman, Al Kahl, Nancy Schebler, Tom Wright, Chris Norton, Caleb May, Josie Watham, Alex Luedtke, Nancy Ramige, Myrtle Koslofsky, Florence Petersen, Evelyn Stueland and Myrna Kay Petersen; For Kayla Dohrmann, 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 who have reached three years of age and older. Please join us at 9:25 a.m. at Faith Church.

This morning at Faith Church, **Elsa Rochele**, daughter of Jason and Haley Sullivan, is welcomed into the family of God and the membership of Faith Luther Church. Elsa's sponsors are Hayes Wink and Caitlyn Jacobs. Welcome to the Calamus Lutheran Parish, Elsa!

"Treat the Pantries" Sundays are November 11 and 18 at Faith and Our Savior's Churches. Make your check payable to your congregation designated for "Treat the Pantries" and place it in the offering plate at Our Savior's Church or in the container in the narthex at Faith Church. The West Clinton County Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans is sponsoring this Care Abounds in Communities project in the eleven congregations of the chapter. Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will add \$1,600 to the amount collected. The money will be split between the four food pantries serving the area. Thank you for your support of "Treat the Pantries," a project that has provided funds to the area food pantries since 1983.

Committee Night is at Faith Church beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday.

Lydia Circle meets at Arlene Green's on Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. Sharon Bousselot will lead the Bible Study.

Confirmation Class begins at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday at Faith Church.

Choir Rehearsal begins at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at Faith Church.

Worship Committee will meet on Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at Faith Church.

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

Naomi Circle meets on Friday at 9:00 a.m. at Diane Christensen's. Meryne Henning will lead the Bible study.

The **Noisy Offering** will be received next Sunday.

A Sign-up Sheet for providing pies for the Thanksgiving Eve meal is posted in both churches.

The **Faith Council** wishes to keep the Faith Congregation informed as to the current loan status with First Trust and Savings Bank. Our outstanding loan is now approximately \$1500. This is fantastic! The council is also

investigating the possibility of air conditioning the sanctuary. One proposal estimated the cost at \$13,000. If you have any thoughts or suggestions concerning that project, please contact one of the council people.

THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP November 21 - Faith Church 7:00 p.m.



Prepared Meal Served at 6:00 p.m.

You are invited by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and sponsored by Gaylon Heetland and Casey Walker, to a free 50-minute education **workshop on planning for long-term care.** It will be held Wednesday, November 14 from 12:00—1:00 p.m. at the Thrivent Office, 908 – 6th Avenue, DeWitt. A complimentary lunch will be served. RSVP is encouraged 659.2991.

Julie Gronewold lost her car keys on Halloween night. There are several keys and there is a breast cancer and heart key chain. Please notify Julie if you have seen the keys (246-2787).

This Week At A Glance

Today	8:00 a.m 9:25 a.m 10:30 a.m	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church Sunday School/Adult Class at Faith Worship Service at Faith Church	
Tuesday Wednesday	7:00 p.m 2:00 p.m 7:00 p.m 7:30 p.m	Committee Night at Faith Church Lydia Circle at Arlene Green's Confirmation Class at Faith Church Choir Rehearsal at Faith Church	
Thursday	6:00 p.m	Worship Committee at Faith Church	
Sunday	7:30 p.m 8:00 a.m 9:25 a.m 10:30 a.m	Joint Council at Faith Church Worship Service at Our Savior's Church Sunday School/Adult Class at Faith Worship Service at Faith Church	
Our Savior's:			
Worship Attendance, November 4			
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Sunday School Attendance, November 4			

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