

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church

9:30 a.m.

Time after Pentecost

September 1, 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: *Blest Be the Tie That Binds – Hymn 656

***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: O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

WORD

First Reading: Proverbs 25:6—7

L: A reading from Proverbs.

Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence
or stand in the place of the great;
for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 112 (*To be read responsively by whole verse*)

Praise the LORD! Happy are those who fear the LORD,
who greatly delight in his commandments.

**Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

Wealth and riches are in their houses,
and their righteousness endures forever.

**They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright;
they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.**

It is well with those who deal generously and lend,
who conduct their affairs with justice.

**For the righteous will never be moved;
they will be remembered forever.**

They are not afraid of evil tidings;
their hearts are firm, secure in the LORD.

**Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid;
in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.**

They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor;
their righteousness endures forever;
their horn is exalted in honor.

**The wicked see it and are angry;
they gnash their teeth and melt away;
the desire of the wicked comes to nothing.**

Second Reading: Hebrews 13:1—8, 15—16

L: A reading from Hebrews.

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;
I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

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 14:1, 7—14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

Silence for reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY:** *The Church of Christ, in Every Age* - Hymn

729

***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 856: *How Great Thou Art*

Hymn 793: *Be Thou My Vision*

Hymn 654: *The Church's One Foundation*

***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: *What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine* – Hymn 774**

***DISMISSAL:**

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ringling 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.

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.

Organist:	Our Savior's:	Linda Whitman
	Faith:	Jason Bousselot
Altar Ministry:	Faith:	Lois Wessels, Rita Seastrand, Laurie Storjohann
Greeter:	Faith:	Lonnie Sievers
Acolyte:	Our Savior's:	Maia Glover
	Faith:	Beth Tulley (CA), Caleb Banowetz
Lectors:	Our Savior's:	Dan Burke
	Faith:	Colette Christensen
Ushers:	Our Savior's:	Art Bousselot, Brian Bousselot
	Faith:	Yale Christensen, Colette Christensen, Adam Wilhelm, Mike Tendall
Cleaners:	Our Savior's:	Joel & Kay Olson, Dion & Dawn Olson, Mark Olson, Marcia Edens

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.

Sunday School Staff Meeting: This Tuesday, September 3, 7:00 p.m. at Our Savior's.

**Fall Schedule Begins Next Sunday
September 8**



8:00 Worship – Faith Lutheran Church
9:25 Sunday School/Adult Class – Our Savior's Lutheran Church
10:30 Worship – Our Savior's Lutheran Church

**School Children – Bring your empty backpacks
to church to be blessed**

**Parish Cook Out – Next Sunday,
September 8**

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!

For all members: Bishop Burke of the Southeastern Iowa Synod will be at Faith Church on Thursday, September 19, at 6:30 p.m. to answer questions and address concerns regarding the ELCA's position on homosexuality. Please plan to attend.

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. -	Sunday School Staff at Our Savior's
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	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

Our Savior's:

Worship Attendance, August 25 44

Faith: Worship Attendance, August 25 75
Offering, Sunday, August 25 \$2,297.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget \$1,808.00

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