CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH Our Savior's Lutheran Church 8:00 a.m. Faith Lutheran Church 9:30 a.m.

Time after Pentecost

August 30, 2015

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 Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting3, page 138

(* Please stand if you are able)

GATHERING

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, the creator of wind and rain, field and ocean, the bread of life coming down from above, the power at work within us and this world.

C: Amen.

P: Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us confess our sin.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

- P: God and Father of all,
- C: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have thought better of ourselves than others. We have told lies, said hurtful things, acted in ways we wish we could take back, and looked the other way when action was needed. In your mercy, O God, forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; everything has become new! In Christ, you are a new creation: your sins are taken away and you are made new. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

C: Amen.

*GATHERING SONG: God, When Human Bonds Are Broken – Hymn 603

*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 our strength, without you we are weak and wayward creatures. Protect us from all dangers that attack us from the outside, and cleanse us from all evil that arises from within ourselves, that we may be preserved through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

L: A reading from Deuteronomy.

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you.

But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 15

O LORD, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy hill?

Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right, and speak the truth from their heart;

who do not slander with their tongue, and do no evil to their friends, nor take up a reproach against their neighbors;

> in whose eyes the wicked are despised, but who honor those who fear the LORD; who stand by their oath even to their hurt;

who do not lend money at interest, and do not take a bribe against the innocent. Those who do these things shall never be moved.

Second Reading: James 1:17-27

L: A reading from James.

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act--they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

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 seventh chapter. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Mark 7:1—8, 14—15, 21—23

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

'This people honors me with their lips,

but their hearts are far from me;

in vain do they worship me,

teaching human precepts as doctrines.'

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile."

For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON - Pastor Bill Runaas

SERMON – Pastor Bill Runaas *Silence for reflection*

*HYMN OF THE DAY: Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways –

Hymn 772

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

P: Using the words of the Apostles Creed, let us confess our holy faith:

C: I believe in God. the Father almightv. creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holv 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.

MEAL

OFFERING PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

C: God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and 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.

COMMUNION J''Lamb of God...'' – page 146

Hymns Sung During Distribution:

Hymn 613: Thy Holy Wings Hymn 608: Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling Hymn 681: We Plow the Fields and Scatter

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

Wise and generous God, we thank you that at this holy table you have fed us again with the food of everlasting life. Send us with your blessing to seek the good of our neighbor and call others to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

SENDING

*BLESSING

- P: Almighty and merciful God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you this day and forevermore.
- C: Amen.

*SENDING SONG: Abide with Me – Hymn 629

*DISMISSAL: P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us. C: Thanks be to God!

Ringing of the Bell Postlude Alternate Worship Texts: *Sundays & Seasons*, copyright ©2015 Augsburg Fortress

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| Greeter: | Faith: | Brian Tulley | |
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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 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.

Those to keep in prayer this week: For Scott Fisher, Elizabeth Goddard, Katy Petersen, Vicki Sharp, Claire Wallace, Josie Watham, Nancy Ramige,

Malinda Malmanger, Alice Schroeder, Florence Petersen, Geri Schutt and Myrna Kay Petersen.

Education Committee & Sunday School Staff: Tuesday, September 1, 7:00 p.m. at Our Savior's. Please make every attempt to attend!

Confirmation Students and Parents: There will be an introductory gathering at Faith Church on Wednesday beginning at 7:00 p.m. It is important that both students and parents attend.

Fall Worship Schedule begins September 13 8:00 Worship – Faith Church 9:25 Sunday School/Adult Class/God Squad – Our Savior's 10:30 Worship – Our Savior's Church

This Week At A Glance

| Today | 8:00 a.m | Worship Service at Our Savior's Church |
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| | 9:30 a.m | Worship Service at Faith Church |
| Tuesday | 7:00 p.m | Education Committee/SS Staff - OS |
| Wednesday | 7:00 p.m | Confirmation Students/Parents - Faith |
| Sunday | 8:00 a.m | Worship Service at Our Savior's Church |
| | 9:30 a.m | Worship Service at Faith Church |

Our Savior's:

| Worship Attendance, August 23 | 23 | 3 |
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Faith:

| Worship Attendance, August 23 | 59 |
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| Offering, Sunday, August 23 | |
| Needed Weekly to Meet Budget | |

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