

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Faith Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

10:30 a.m.

Time after Pentecost

November 8, 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

Ring of the Bell

Welcome

Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 3, page 138

(* Please stand if you are able)

GATHERING

***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.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P: 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: *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness* –**
Hymn 843

***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, 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 Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: 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*)

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 12:38—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.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON - Pastor Bill Runaas

SERMON – Pastor Bill Runaas

Silence for reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY: *We Give Thee but Thine Own* – Hymn 686**

***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.

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.

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: Goodness is stronger than evil.

Life is stronger than death.

Taste the goodness and life of God.

COMMUNION

♪ "Lamb of God..." – page 146

Hymns Sung During Distribution:

Hymn 685: *Take My Life, That I May Be*

Hymn 729: *The Church of Christ, in Every Age*

Hymn 673: *God, Whose Almighty Word*

***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 hand 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: *Let Justice Flow like Streams* – Hymn 717**

*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ring of the Bell

Postlude

Alternate Worship Texts: *Sundays & Seasons*, copyright ©2015 Augsburg Fortress

Pianist: Faith: Rachel Bousselot

Organist: Our Savior's: Linda Whitman

Altar Ministry: Faith: Larry and Marilyn Schau

Greeter: Faith: Mark Witte

Acolytes: Faith: Kale Whitman, Karragan Whitman

Our Savior's: Chase Knoche

Communion Assistant:

Faith: Mark Witte

Our Savior's: Brian Bousselot

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

Our Savior's: Mark Olson, Shane Glover

Cleaners: Our Savior's: Shane and Amy Glover

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.

Those to keep in prayer this week: For Scott Fisher, Elizabeth Goddard, Katy Petersen, Mallory Boussetlot, Vicki Sharp, Claire Wallace, Josie Watham, Nancy Ramige, Malinda Malmanger, Alice Schroeder, Florence Petersen, Geri Schutt and Myrna Kay Petersen.

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.

Confirmation class meets at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday at Faith Church.

"Treat the Pantries" Sundays will be November 8 and 15 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.** All monetary donations are due by November 15.

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 \$1,000 to the amount collected. The money will be divided amongst the four food pantries serving the area: DeWitt, Elvira, Lost Nation and Wheatland.

Thank you for your support of "Treat the Pantries," a project that has provided funds to the area food pantries since 1983.

Join the Conversation with Bishop Burk
This Sunday, November 8, 4:30—7:00 p.m.
Faith Lutheran, Eldridge

All are welcome as congregations of the Southeastern Iowa Synod gather for an evening meal and to share stories of life and ministry. This is a free event, dinner will be provided; **please bring a can of soup to donate to the local food pantry or a financial donation for ELCA World Hunger.** We encourage you all to attend.

This Week At A Glance

Today	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/Adult Class – Our Savior's
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	4:30-7:00 p.m. -	Evening with the Bishop – Faith/Eldridge
Wednesday	6:00 p.m. -	Confirmation Class at Faith Church
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Faith:

Worship Attendance, November 1	76
Offering, Sunday, November 1	\$2,730.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget	\$2,066.00

Our Savior's:

Worship Attendance, November 1	31
Sunday School Attendance, November 1	22
<i>Four Sunday School students have had perfect attendance in September and October: Grant Hoffman, Carter Henning, Brenna Henning and Sarah Tulley</i>	
God Squad Attendance, November 1	7
Adult Class Attendance, November 1	17

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