

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Faith Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

9:30 a.m.

Time after Pentecost

August 7, 2016

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

With One Voice, Bread of Life, Setting 5, page 28

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, abounding in steadfast love toward us, healing the sick and raising the dead, showering us with every good gift.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Just and gracious God,

C: we come to you for healing and life. Our sins hurt others and diminish us; we confess them to you. Our lives bear the scars of sin, we bring these also to you. Show us your mercy, O God. Bind up our wounds, forgive us our sins, and free us to love, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

P: The apostle Paul assures us: "When we were dead in our trespasses, God made us alive together with Christ, nailing the record of our sins to the cross." Jesus says to you, "Your sins are forgiven." Be at peace, and tell everyone how much God has done for you.

C: Amen.

GATHERING

***GATHERING HYMN: "Blessed Assurance" – Hymn 699**

***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:** ♪ "Glory to God..." pages 29—30

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever your appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Genesis 15:1—6

L: A reading from Genesis.

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 33:12—22

Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD,
the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.

**The LORD looks down from heaven;
he sees all humankind.**

From where he sits enthroned he watches
all the inhabitants of the earth—

**he who fashions the hearts of them all,
and observes all their deeds.**

A king is not saved by his great army;
a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.

**The war horse is a vain hope for victory,
and by its great might it cannot save.**

Truly the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him,
on those who hope in his steadfast love,

**to deliver their soul from death,
and to keep them alive in famine.**

Our soul waits for the LORD;
he is our help and shield.

**Our heart is glad in him,
because we trust in his holy name.**

Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,
even as we hope in you.

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1—3, 8—16

L: A reading from Hebrews.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** ♪"Alleluia, Lord, ..." – page 31

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the twelfth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 12:32—40

"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor William Runaas, Jr.

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(Congregation please remain seated for the hymn)

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Have No Fear, Little Flock" – ELW 764

(Red Hymnal)

***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

***THE PRAYERS** (*Each petition ends: P: Lord, in your mercy,*
C: hear our prayer.)

MEAL

***PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

***OFFERTORY** – "Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord..." – page 35

***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 36

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 and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: ♪"Holy, holy, holy, Lord..." – page 36

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***THE 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: Christ invites you to a place of honor at this banquet.

Welcome to the feast.

COMMUNION

♪"Lamb of God..." – page 39

Hymns sung during distribution:

Hymn 745: "Awake, O Sleeper"

Hymn 671: "Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks"

***POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen

***POST COMMUNION CANTICLE – ♪"Thankful hearts..." – page 40**

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

O God, as a mother comforts her child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C:Amen.

SENDING

*BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen

***SENDING SONG: "You Are the Seed" – Hymn 753**

*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ring of the Bell

Postlude

Alternate Worship Texts: *Sundays & Seasons*, copyright ©2016 Augsburg Fortress

Pianist:	Faith:	Rachel Bousset
Organist:	Our Savior's	Linda Whitman
Altar Ministry:	Faith:	Ashley Steffens and Doreen Henning
Greeter:	Faith:	Doreen Henning
Acolyte:	Faith:	Josh Gronewold
	Our Savior's:	Chase Knoche
Lectors:	Faith:	Doreen Henning
	Our Savior's:	Cindy Burke
Communion Assistant:	Faith:	Ashley Steffens
	Our Savior's:	Brian Bousset
Ushers:	Faith:	Daryl Henning, Doreen Henning, Blaine Henning, Kayla Henning, Ashley Steffens
	Our Savior's:	Dan Burke, Shane 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 Duane Petersen, Doug Henning, Will Wade (10 yr old boy in critical condition with a virus attacking the brain – Will is a friend of Hal and Andrea Shelton), Chris Forret, Dan Montgomery, Mary Ann Washburn Stuedemann, Lauren Dudley, Hazel Richards, Ethan Friedrich, Brantley Behning, Ron Gasper, Scott Fisher, Elizabeth Goddard, Scott McConnell, Vicki Sharp, Nancy Ramige, Junior Homrighausen, Alice Schroeder, Florence Petersen, Geri Schutt and Myrna Kay Petersen and for Emily Olive, preparing for a 9—11 month deployment to Kuwait.

Tonight is Movie Night at Our Savior's! Hot dogs, chips and beverage will be served at 7:00 p.m. and movie will begin when dark. Bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on the lawn. Invite family and friends! See you there!

Education Committee will not meet this week. Please mark your calendar for Education Committee to meet Wednesday, August 17 at 7:00 p.m. at Faith Church.

Worship Committee meets at 6:00 p.m. Thursday at Our Savior's

Joint Council meets at Our Savior's on Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

YAGM volunteer Ellen Friedrich, who was our guest on Sunday, July 17, will be serving in Madagascar for one year. To send a check donation for Ellen's one year in service as a YAGM, address check to **Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**. Write "**Ellen Friedrich— GCS3245**" in the memo line (this will ensure the money goes directly towards YAGM funds). You may put your check in the offering plate and it will be forwarded to the proper place or you may send the check to: Attn: Pastor Mark Anderson, Northeastern Iowa Synod Office, 201 20th St. SW, P.O. Box 804, Waverly, IA 50677-0804. – Pastor Bill

Heather Grau is organizing and restarting **"Meals of Love"** – bringing **freezable meals to those in need of love at a special time** – new baby, surgery, death in family, major illness, etc. **If you are interested in helping to provide foods, there is a sign-up sheet on Faith's bulletin board or please contact Heather at grau.heather @gmail.com or 563-**

424-0507. Also, please let Heather or the church office know if you know of anyone who might need this care.

If you are wanting to contact Pastor Bill, please use his cell phone number: 319-231-5262. Thank you.

This Week At A Glance

Today	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
	9:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	7:00 p.m. -	Movie Night at Our Savior's Church
Tuesday	7:00 p.m. -	Education Committee at Our Savior's
Thursday	6:00 p.m. -	Worship Committee at Our Savior's
	7:00 p.m. -	Joint Council at Our Savior's Church
Sunday:	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
	9:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church

Faith:

Worship Attendance, July 31	35
Offering, July 31	\$2,635.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget	\$2,182.00

Our Savior's:

Worship Attendance, July 31	17
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