

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church

10:30 a.m.

Time after Pentecost

September 18, 2016

Prelude

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 10, page 203

***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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: 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

***GATHERING SONG: "Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways"**

– Hymn 772

***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: "Have mercy on us, Lord..."** – page 203

***♪HYMN OF PRAISE: "Glory be to God..."** page 204

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Amos 8:4—7

L: A reading from Amos.

Hear this, you that trample on the needy,
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,
saying, "When will the new moon be over
so that we may sell grain;
and the sabbath,
so that we may offer wheat for sale?
We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,
and practice deceit with false balances,
buying the poor for silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and selling the sweepings of the wheat."
The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 113

Praise the LORD!

Praise, O servants of the LORD;
praise the name of the LORD.

**Blessed be the name of the LORD
from this time on and forevermore.**

From the rising of the sun to its setting
the name of the LORD is to be praised.

**The LORD is high above all nations,
and his glory above the heavens.**

Who is like the LORD our God,
who is seated on high,

**who looks far down
on the heavens and the earth?**

He raises the poor from the dust,
and lifts the needy from the ash heap,
**to make them sit with princes,
with the princes of his people.**

He gives the barren woman a home,
making her the joyous mother of children.
Praise the LORD!

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1—7

L: A reading from 1 Timothy.

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions,
and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high
positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness
and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior,
who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the
truth. For

there is one God;
there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,
who gave himself a ransom for all—
this was attested at the right time.

For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am
not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***♫GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Alleluia! Lord and Savior..."** – page
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P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the sixteenth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 16:1—13

Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a
manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering

his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor William Runaas, Jr. – Noisy Offering

SERMON – Pastor William Runaas, Jr.

(Congregation please remain seated for the hymn)

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Just As I Am, without One Plea" – Hymn 592

***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.*)

***PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord 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** – pages 206—207

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...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: ♪"Holy, holy, holy, Lord..." – page 207

***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: Take hold of the life that really is life.
Come, take your place at the table.

COMMUNION

♪"O Lamb of God..." – page 208

Hymns sung during distribution:

Hymn 793: "Be Thou My Vision"

Hymn 692: "We Are an Offering"

***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 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: "Blessed Assurance" – Hymn 638**

*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ring of the Bell

Postlude

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Organist:	Our Savior's:	Linda Whitman
Pianist:	Faith:	Rachel Bousselot
Altar Ministry:	Faith:	Hal and Andrea Shelton
Greeter:	Faith:	Diane Christensen
Acolyte:	Our Savior's:	Maia Glover, Hailey Glover
	Faith:	Austin Henning, Brenna Henning
Lector:	Our Savior's:	Deb Detlefs
	Faith:	Jeannene Bousselot
Communion Assistant:		
	Our Savior's:	Cindy Burke
	Faith:	Andrea Shelton
Ushers:	Our Savior's:	Art Bousselot, Mark Olson
	Faith:	Hal Shelton, Eric Sands, Diane Sievers, Lonny Sievers

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: Ken Meier, (nephew of Lucy Lee Petersen, who this week had bypass surgery), Duane Petersen, Katy Petersen, Will Wade, 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.

The Noisy Offering will be collected during the Children's Sermon this morning. Once a month the children pass buckets amongst the congregation for anyone who would like to drop in coins or make a contribution. The councils and committee members have selected ELCA Disaster Response (emphasizing the Syrian refugee crisis) as the Noisy Offering recipient for 2016.

Pastor Bill will be attending the Fall Theological Conference later today through Tuesday. The conference is being held at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Davenport.

Newsletter articles are due this Tuesday. Thanks for your help.

Lydia Circle meets Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. in the home of Arlene Green. Pastor Bill will lead the Bible study.

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

Choir Rehearsal begins at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday at Faith Church.

First Communion classes to begin in October: Two classes for those wishing to receive their first communion will be held. Please call the church office (246-2622) or call Pastor Bill (319-231-5262) to let us know that you are interested.

2016 CROP Walk will be held October 2 in Wheatland. Confirmation students will be participating and seeking sponsors. If you would like to make a contribution, please contact one of the confirmation students: Josh Gronewold, Austin Henning, Chase Knoche, Alyssa McElmeel, Magnus Sands, Anne Tulley, Ethan Wilhelm, Brayden Williams and Hailey Glover. Thank you for helping support hunger in rural America and other parts of the world.

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

Caring for aging parents can have a significant impact on your family relationships and personal finances. Join us for **Heart-to-Heart: As Your Parents Age** to get tips and tools to have healthy conversations so you can provide support when needed. (No products will be sold at this event.) **Thrivent Financial is sponsoring this Lunch and Learn on Friday, September 23 at noon at the Thrivent office, 908 6th Avenue in DeWitt.** Open to all – lunch is provided. Call 659-2991 to RSVP.

Hey Everyone!

Great news, I'm still alive! I've happily arrived in Madagascar and am starting to get my footing. I've finally put my blog together and made my first entry. I've put a link to my blog below so you can follow my ventures and remind yourself of how happy you should be that you managed to get me out of your country!

<https://ellenfriedrich.wordpress.com/blog/>

I'll also be sharing my blog on Facebook so you can look it up that way as well. Feel free to distribute or share what I post however you please. Thanks for all the support and prayers!

Best,

Ellen Friedrich,

YAGM volunteer serving a one-year mission in Madagascar

This Week At A Glance

Today	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/GS/AC at Faith Church
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship at Faith Church
Wednesday	2:00 p.m.-	Lydia Circle at Arlene Green's
	6:00 p.m. -	Confirmation Class at Faith Church
	8:00 p.m. -	Choir Rehearsal at Faith Church
Sunday:	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/GS/AC at Faith Church
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship at Faith Church

Our Savior's:

Worship Attendance, September 11..... 40

Faith:

Worship Attendance, September 11..... 69

Offering, September 11..... \$1,326.00

Needed Weekly to Meet Budget \$2,182.00

Sunday School Attendance, September 11 33

God Squad Attendance, September 11 11

Adult Class Attendance, September 11..... 17

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