

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH  
Our Savior's Lutheran Church  
8:00 a.m.  
Faith Lutheran Church  
10:30 a.m.

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**May 14, 2017**

**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, Setting 7, page 175*  
(\* Please stand if you are able)

**GATHERING**

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God, who stretches out the heavens,  
who sends light to the nations, who gives breath to us all.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
*Silence for reflection and self-examination*

P: Loving God,

**C: we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly; we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know; we have thought more about ourselves than others; we have thought less of ourselves than we ought. Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.**

P: Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now:  
Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

**\*GATHERING SONG: "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" –**  
Hymn 367

**\*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 – "Lord, have mercy on us...." – page 175**

**\*♪ HYMN OF PRAISE – "Gloria, gloria, gloria..." – page 176**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## WORD

### **First Readings: Acts 7:55-60**

L: A reading from Acts,

But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16**

In you, O LORD, I seek refuge;  
do not let me ever be put to shame;  
in your righteousness deliver me.

**Incline your ear to me;  
rescue me speedily.**

**Be a rock of refuge for me,  
a strong fortress to save me.**

You are indeed my rock and my fortress;  
for your name's sake lead me and guide me,  
**take me out of the net that is hidden for me,  
for you are my refuge.**

Into your hand I commit my spirit;  
you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

**My times are in your hand;  
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.**

Let your face shine upon your servant;  
save me in your steadfast love.

## **Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10**

L: A reading from 1<sup>st</sup> Peter

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation-- if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner,"

and

"A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God's people;  
once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\* 🎵 GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Alleluia, alleluia ..." – page 179**

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to Saint John the fourteenth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel: John 14:1-14**

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN'S SERMON:** Pastor Wm. Runaas, Jr.

**SERMON** – Pastor William Runaas, Jr.

*Silence for reflection*

*(Please remain seated for the singing of the hymn)*

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** "Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth" –

Hymn 735

**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH – NICENE CREED**

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

**We believe in one God,**

**the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again from the dead,  
in accordance with the Scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. 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:** Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you  
were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the  
offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world.  
**Amen.**

**\*GREAT THANKSGIVING - page 180**

**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 181

## **\*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: We who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.  
Come. Be filled with light and life.

## **COMMUNION**

♪**"O Lamb of God..."** – page 182

### **Hymns Sung During Distribution:**

**Hymn 879: "For the Beauty of the Earth"**

**Hymn 479: "We Come to the Hungry Feast"**



## **\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world: through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## **SENDING**

### **\*BLESSING**

P: May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen**

**\*SENDING SONG: "Now Thank We All Our God" – Hymn 544**

### **\*DISMISSAL:**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen

**C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P: You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace.  
Share the good news.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Ring 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. Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available during Holy Communion. Please indicate to the Assisting Minister if this is your preference.

**Organist:** Our Savior's: Linda Whitman

**Pianist:** Faith: Rachel Bousselot

**Altar Ministry:** Faith: Mark and Marsha Witte

**Greeter:** Faith: Gary Braet

**Acolytes:** Our Savior's: Hailey Glover and Nora Glover

Faith: Josh Gronewold

**Lectors:** Our Savior's: Marcia Edens

Faith: Marsha Witte

**Communion Assistant:**

Our Savior's: Cindy Burke

Faith: Marsha Witte

**Ushers:** Our Savior's: Dan Burke and Shane Glover

Faith: Mark Witte, Dirk Braet, Brian Tulley,  
Gary Braet

**Cleaners:** Our Savior's: Brian Bousselot and Dylan Bousselot

**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 the family of Dave Buchanan, Lonny Sievers, Craig Henning, June Reimers, Janice Berger, Andrea Shelton, Ed and Geneva Meadows, Nan Anderson, Monique Bachelder, George and Joyce Tulley, Dennis Pewe, Will Wade, Chris Forret, Dan Montgomery, Mary Ann Washburn Stuedemann, Lauren Dudley, Ethan Friedrich, Scott Fisher, Elizabeth Goddard, Scott McConnell, Vicki Sharp; For the homebound: Hazel Richards, Ron Gasper, Alice Schroeder, Geri Schutt, Bob Barnard and Myrna Kay Petersen; and for Brian Holmes, grandson of Clara Wilhelm, who is serving his third deployment to Mosul, Iraq.

**On May 21, the children will sing as a group downstairs at 10:00 for the adult class and parents.**

**Noisy Offering will be May 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Sunday School, God Squad and Adult Class meet at Faith Church on Sunday mornings at 9:25 a.m.**

**The Calamus Fun Days Committee is looking for a volunteer to chair a basket raffle. Contact Pastor Bill before May 16<sup>th</sup>. Calamus Fun Day is August 19<sup>th</sup>.**

**Please return all "Bad Girls of the Bible" books to Pastor Bill.**

**Monday Bible School  
May 1,8,15,22  
3:30-5:00**

**Come Celebrate the Graduation of Katie Banowetz**  
daughter of Larry and Sharyl Banowetz  
on May 27th from 4-7  
At the Calco

**Come Celebrate the Graduation of Noah Gronewold**  
son of Jim and Julie Gronewold  
Party on May 28<sup>th</sup> at the Calico at 1:30

**2017 Campership Appeal  
Support Camp Ewalu**  
Envelope on the bulletin board by the offices

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 Our Savior's Church  
                     9:25 a.m.-Sunday School/GS/AC at Faith Church  
                     10:30 a.m.-Worship Service at Faith Church  
 Monday:        3:30 p.m.-Monday Bible School at Faith  
 Friday :         10:00 a.m.-Naomi Circle at Crossroads in DeWitt  
 Sunday:         8:00 a.m.-Worship Service at Our Savior's Church  
                     9:25 a.m.-Sunday School/GS/AC at Faith Church  
                     10:30 a.m.-Worship Service at Faith Church

### **Our Savior's:**

Worship Attendance, May 7, 2017.....30

### **Faith:**

Worship Attendance, May 7, 2017.....48

Offering, May 7, 2017.....\$2,538.00

Needed Weekly to Meet Budget.....\$2,182.00

Sunday School Attendance, May 7, 2017.....19

God Squad Attendance, May 7, 2017.....2

Adult Class Attendance, May 7, 2017.....8

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