

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

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 21, 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

Choir: "You are Loved"- by Cindy Berry

Holy Baptism (see insert)

***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: "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" –
Hymn 619 v1-4**

***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 and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior, on God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Choir: "O Jesus I Have Promised" - by Bode and Larson

WORD

First Readings: Acts 17:22-31

L: A reading from Acts.

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him--though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.'

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 66:8-20

Bless our God, O peoples,
let the sound of his praise be heard,
**who has kept us among the living,
and has not let our feet slip.**

For you, O God, have tested us;
you have tried us as silver is tried.

**You brought us into the net;
you laid burdens on our backs;**
you let people ride over our heads;
we went through fire and through water;
yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.

**I will come into your house with burnt offerings;
I will pay you my vows,**
those that my lips uttered
and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

**I will offer to you burnt offerings of fatlings,
with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;
I will make an offering of bulls and goats.**

Come and hear, all you who fear God,
and I will tell what he has done for me.

**I cried aloud to him,
and he was extolled with my tongue.**

If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
the Lord would not have listened.

**But truly God has listened;
he has given heed to the words of my prayer.**

Blessed be God,
because he has not rejected my prayer
or removed his steadfast love from me.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-22

L: A reading from 1st Peter.

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you--not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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 14:15-21

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you

forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

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

Noisy offering, Dedication for First Communion Participants

SERMON – Pastor William Runaas, Jr.

Silence for reflection

(Please remain seated for the singing of the hymn)

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Come, Thou Almighty King" - Hymn 408

***THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

(Each petition ends: P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Julie Gronewold: "How Beautiful" - by Paris

***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 781 "Children of the Heavenly Father"

Hymn 377 "Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!"

***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: "I Know That My Redeemer Lives:"**

Hymn 619 v 5-8

***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.

Choir: "You are Loved"- by Besig and Price

Ring of the Bell

Postlude

Alternate Worship Texts: *Sundays & Seasons*, copyright ©2017 Augsburg Fortress

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: Jason Bousselot

Pianist: Faith: Rachel Bousselot

Altar Ministry: Faith: Mark and Marsha Witte

Greeter: Faith: Diane Christensen

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

Faith: Josh Gronewold

Lectors: Our Savior's: Cindy Burke

Faith: Diane Christensen

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 Yogi Braet, 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 and Emily Olive, daughter of Dave and Tammy Olive, preparing for a 9—11 month deployment to Kuwait.

This Morning at Faith Church, through Holy Baptism, Cheyanne Katzenburger, daughter of Mary Farrell, will be received into the family of God and the membership of Faith Lutheran Church. Cheyanne sponsors are Jay Flores and Rebecca Hurt. Welcome to Calamus Lutheran Parish, Cheyanne.

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

Monday Bible School

May 1, 8, 15, 22

3:30-5:00

Noisy offering recipient for 2017 is Camp Courageous.

**Today the Sunday School children
will sing as a group downstairs at 10:00 at Faith.**

Altar Flowers

Anyone is welcome to provide flowers in honor of a special occasion. Please contact Altar Ministers to let them know preferred month to make arrangements. You may also have a message posted in the bulletin if submitted a week prior to event.

Come Celebrate the Graduation of Katie Banowetz
daughter of Larry and Sharyl Banowetz
Party on May 27th at the Calco 4-7

Come Celebrate the Graduation of Noah Gronewold
son of Jim and Julie Gronewold
Party on May 28th at the Calco at 1:30

Wednesday Worship Service
June 14
at 6:30 at Our Savior's Church

Sunday May 28th
One worship service only
Faith at 9:00 a.m.

Congratulations 2017 Graduation Students
Katie Banowetz, Allison Cunningham, Darick Dunham,
Noah Gronewold, Austin Seastrandand
Malachi Ki Sosa,

Receiving First Communion

Shalee Edwards and Cheyanne Katzenburg

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
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.- Worship Service at Faith Church

Our Savior's:

Worship Attendance, May 14, 2017.....24

Faith:

Worship Attendance, May 14, 2017.....51

Offering, May 14, 2017.....\$755.00

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

Sunday School Attendance, May 14, 2017.....20

God Squad Attendance, May 14, 2017.....N/A

Adult Class Attendance, May 14, 2017.....11

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