

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church

9:30 a.m.

Time after Pentecost

July 9, 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 and Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

With One Voice – Setting 5, page 28

(* Please stand if you are able)

** Please stand.*

***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 SONG: "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" –**
Blue WOV Hymn 734

***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..." –** Blue WOV pages 29-30

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, though your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord

C: Amen.

You may be seated.

WORD

First Reading: Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

L: A reading from Genesis.

So he said, "I am Abraham's servant. The LORD has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old;

and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.'

"I came today to the spring, and said, 'O LORD, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, "Please give me a little water from your jar to drink," and who will say to me, "Drink, and I will draw for your camels also"— let her be the woman whom the LORD has appointed for my master's son.'

"Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, 'Please let me drink.' She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and I will also water your camels.' So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?' She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him.' So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshiped the LORD, and blessed the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left." And they called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will." So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her,

"May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads;
may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes."

Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.

Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, "Who

is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 45:10-17

Hear, O daughter, consider and incline your ear;
forget your people and your father's house,
and the king will desire your beauty.

Since he is your lord, bow to him;
the people of Tyre will seek your favor with gifts,
the richest of the people
with all kinds of wealth.

The princess is decked in her chamber with gold-woven robes;
in many-colored robes she is led to the king;
behind her the virgins, her companions, follow.

**With joy and gladness they are led along
as they enter the palace of the king.**

In the place of ancestors you, O king, shall have sons;
you will make them princes in all the earth.

**I will cause your name to be celebrated in all generations;
therefore the peoples will praise you forever and ever.**

Second Reading Romans 7:15-25

L: A reading from Romans.

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with my mind I am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh I am a slave to the law of sin.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

** Please stand.*

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

Blue WOV page 31

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the eleventh chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

***Gospel Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

"But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn

from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

You may be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor William Runaas, Jr.

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(Congregation please remain seated for the hymn)

HYMN OF THE DAY: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" –

Red ELW Hymn 742

** Please stand.*

***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 Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace and then be seated.

MEAL

OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

** Please stand*

***♫OFFERTORY: "Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord..." –**

Blue WOV 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**

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..." – Blue WOV page 36

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

Welcome to the feast.

You may be seated.

COMMUNION

♪ "Lamb of God..." – Blue WOV page 39

Hymns Sung During Distribution:

Blue WOV Hymn 701: "What Feast of Love"

Blue WOV Hymn 702: "I Am the Bread of life"

** Please stand.*

***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..." –**

Blue WOV 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: "Awake, O Sleeper"** – Blue WOV Hymn 745

*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ring of the Bell

Postlude

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

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 Ron Voss, Yogi Braet, Lonny Sievers, Craig Henning, June Reimers, Janice Berger, Andrea Shelton, 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: Geneva Meadows, Bus Seastrand, 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.

Geneva Meadows is now living in room 413 at Wheatland Manor, 316 Lincolnway, Wheatland, IA 52777

NOTE: Our Savior's congregation will meet on Sunday, July 16, following the 8:00 a.m. worship service to discuss a handicap chair lift.

Wednesday Worship Services

July 12th

at 6:30 at Our Savior's Church

July 19th

at 6:30 at Faith Church

~ Calamus Days Basket Raffle ~

Please deliver completed baskets or items for baskets to the basement at Faith or Our Savior's by August 13. If you would rather donate money, Sharyl Banowetz and Mary Timmerman will buy items.

Sign-up sheets for helpers on August 19 are in the narthex at Faith and on the table in the back of the sanctuary at Our Savior's.

The recipients of Calamus Days profits are the Calamus Fire Department, CALCO, and the Calamus Library.

This Week At A Glance

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

Our Savior's:

Worship Attendance, July 2, 2017.....55

Faith:

Worship Attendance, July 2, 2017.....N/A
 Offering, July 2, 2017.....\$375.00
 Offering, needed to Meet Budget.....\$2,182.00

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