CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church 8:00 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church 9:30 a.m.

Time after Pentecost

July 23, 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.

Prelude
Ringing of the Bell
Welcome and Announcements

SERVICE OF WORD

With One Voice – Setting 5, page 28

(* Please stand if you are able)

*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.

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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: "O Holy Spirit, Root of Life" -

Blue WOV Hymn 688

*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.

*J 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.

Faithful God, most merciful judge, you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

You may be seated.

WORD

First Reading: Genesis 28:10-19

L: A reading from Genesis.

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place--and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel; but the name of the city was Luz at the first.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24

O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.

You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.

You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

Where can I go from your spirit?

Or where can I flee from your presence?

If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.

If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.

If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night,"

even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you.

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts.

See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Second Reading: Romans 8:12-25

L: A reading from Romans.

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Alleluia, Lord..." -

Blue WOV page 31

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the thirteenth chapter. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

* Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.

^{*} Please stand.

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

You may be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Dan Burke at OS and Dirk Braet at F

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(Congregation please remain seated for the hymn)

HYMN OF THE DAY: "You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore"
Blue WOV Hymn 784

*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.)

*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.

*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.

OFFERING

*JOFFERTORY: "Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord..." -

Blue WOV page 35

^{*} Please stand

*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.

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: "O Christ the Same" – Blue WOV Hymn 778

*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ringing of the Bell

Postlude

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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.

Pastor Bill is on vacation until August 8. If you need to contact Pastor, please use his cell phone number: 319-231-5262. Thank you.

There will be no communion on July 30 and August 6.

Parish Education meeting will be August 9 at 7:00 p.m. after Wednesday Evening Service

Sunday School Teachers meeting will be August 16 at 6:00 p.m. before Wednesday Evening Service

Sunday School Teachers Needed

The Education committee is looking for anyone interested in teaching or helping with Sunday School. It is such a rewarding experience teaching the youth of our congregations and an opportunity that you will not want to miss! We would like to have at least two teachers per class. Please let any member of the committee know if you're interested.

~ 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.

Wednesday Worship Services

August 9th
At 6:30 at Our Savior's Church
August 16th
At 6:30 at Faith Church

Those to keep in prayer this week: For Ron Voss, 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.

Worship Leaders: Our Savior's: Dan Burke

Faith: Dirk Braet

Organist: Our Savior's:

Jason Bousselot
Rachel Bousselot

Altar Ministry: Faith: Hal and Andrea Shelton

Greeter: Faith: Yale Christensen Acolytes: Our Savior's: Brendan Olson

Faith: Ryan Dick

Lectors: Our Savior's: Cindy Burke

Faith: Yale Christensen

Ushers: Our Savior's: Joe Morehead, Brian Bousselot

Faith: Hal Shelton, Eric Sands,

Yale Christensen, Adam Wilhelm

Cleaners: Our Savior's: Marcia Edens and Mark Olson

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

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