CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH Faith Lutheran Church 8:00 a.m. Our Savior's Lutheran Church 9:30 a.m.

Time after Pentecost

July 12, 2020

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 to receive Holy Communion.

Prelude Ringing of the Bell Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Silently confess your sin in the presence of God, and one another.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead to sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with the power through the Holy Spirit that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

WORD

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 25:19-34

L: A reading from Genesis.

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, ²⁰ and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. ²¹ Isaac prayed to the LORD for his wife, because she was barren; and the LORD granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. ²² The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the LORD. ²³ And the LORD said to her,

"Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger."

²⁴ When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. ²⁵ The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. ²⁶ Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

²⁷ When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. ²⁸ Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

²⁹ Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. ³⁰ Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) ³¹ Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." ³² Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" ³³ Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. ³⁴ Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:105-112

¹⁰⁵ Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.
¹⁰⁶ I have sworn an oath and confirmed it, to observe your righteous ordinances.
¹⁰⁷ I am severely afflicted; give me life, O LORD, according to your word.
¹⁰⁸ Accept my offerings of praise, O LORD, and teach me your ordinances.
¹⁰⁹ I hold my life in my hand continually, but I do not forget your law.
¹¹⁰ The wicked have laid a snare for me, but I do not stray from your precepts.
¹¹¹ Your decrees are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart.
¹¹² L incline my heart to perform your statutes.

¹¹² I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end.

New Testament Reading: Romans 8:1-11

L: A reading from Romans.

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free

from the law of sin and of death. ³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵ For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶ To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷ For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, ⁸ and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹ But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹ If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

C: Glory to you O Lord.

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ² Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³ And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶ But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked

them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ Let anyone with ears^[a] listen!"

¹⁸ "Hear then the parable of the sower. ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹ yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away.^[g] ²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³ But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON – Pastor Roberta

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HYMN OF THE DAY: "As Rain from the Clouds"

CONFESSION OF FAITH

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, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(*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.

SENDING HYMN: "On What Has Now Been Sown"

OFFERING

An offering plate will not be passed. Please place your offering in the plate at the back of the church.

COMMUNION

COMMUNION BLESSING

All who are baptized into Christ Jesus are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please exit the church following distribution.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: Rev. Roberta Pierce
Organist: Our Savior's: Jason Bousselot or Linda Whitman
Lectors: Faith: Shelley Gentile

Our Savior's: Mark Olson

Ushers: Faith: Yale Christensen, Alan Lee, Hal Shelton, Ashley Steffens

Our Savior's: Joe Morehead

Cleaners: Our Savior's: Dan and Cindy Burke

Those to keep in prayer this week: Ricky Dick, Bob Peters, Kim Steffens, Rebecca Hurt, Tim Burke, Jim Goddard, Coral Hesse, Velda Holloman, Nan Waldorf, Ray Johnson, Ruth Braet, Dale Jacobs, Ellen Bauer, Glenda Oldaker, Michele Scheper, Chance Dexter, Darcy Aune, Bruce Aune, Kelly Meyer,

Donna Ploog, Joyce McCutcheon, Colleen Clausen Olson, Christian Bousselot, Barb Johnson, June Reimers, George Tulley, Ethan Friedrich and Vicki Sharp;

the homebound: Bus Seastrand, Rusty Porth, Ed Meadows, Oscar Shelton, Norman Bousselot, Hazel Richards, Ron Gasper, Geri Schutt and Myrna Kay Petersen; and serving in the military: Andrew Grau, Nick Timmerman.

This Week At A Glance Week starting July 12

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Sunday	8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Faith
	9:30 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's
Tuesday	7:00 p.m. – Education Committee Meeting at Faith
Sunday	8:00 a.m. – Worship Service at Faith
-	9:30 a.m. – Worship Service at Our Savior's

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