

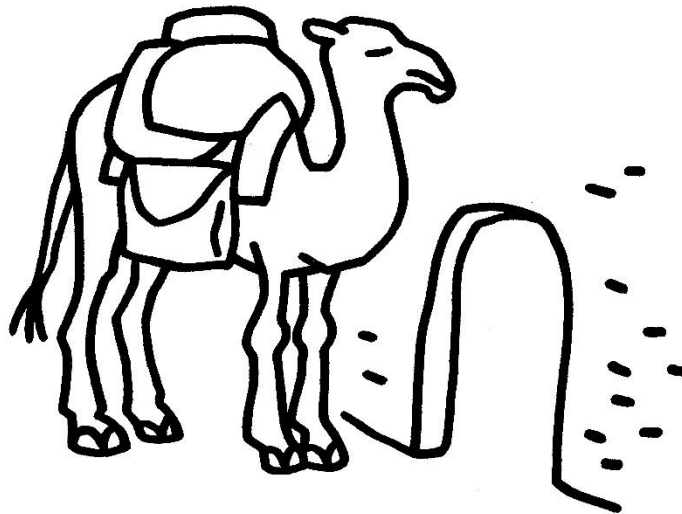


# Faith Lutheran Church

**We warmly greet members  
and visitors in Jesus' name**

## **Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost Leaders' Bulletin**

8 a.m., October 13, 2024



The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

Welcome to Worship at Faith Lutheran Church

***Gathered faithfully to love and serve God and all others***

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**All the baptized are invited to the celebration of Holy Communion, trusting that Christ is present in this sacrament for the forgiveness of our sin and the strengthening of our faith.**

**The flowers on the altar today are given by Bolon and Puebla family in memory of Bob Boleen.**

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- Noted throughout the service - **P**: Presiding Minister    **L**: Lector    **C**: **Congregation**
- Faith has a T-Coil-enabled hearing loop for those whose hearing aid(s) also are enabled.
- Smile! Faith worship services are live-streamed and recorded.

**PRELUDE**

J.S. Bach Organ concerto

arr. for piano by Phillip

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *WE STAND*

#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (brief silence)

Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin  
and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done  
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,  
so that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

**Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness  
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who  
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the  
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings  
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,  
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,  
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.  
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.  
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.  
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the  
 Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty, gath - er us in, the  
 Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the  
 Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath - er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,  
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,  
 bread that is you; nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion  
 make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.  
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.  
 fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: GATHER US IN, Marty Haugen

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## **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.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*WE SIT*

## **First Reading: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15**

L: A reading from Amos

<sup>6</sup>Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. <sup>7</sup>Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! <sup>10</sup>They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. <sup>11</sup>Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. <sup>12</sup>For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. <sup>13</sup>Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. <sup>14</sup>Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. <sup>15</sup>Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalmody: Psalm 90:12-17**

L: We read Psalm 8 responsively.

So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

**C: So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.**

L: <sup>12</sup>So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

<sup>13</sup>Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? Be gracious to your servants.

**C: So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.**

L: <sup>14</sup>Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

<sup>15</sup>Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us and as many years as we suffered adversity.

<sup>16</sup>Show your servants your works, and your splendor to their children. <sup>17</sup>May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

**C: So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.**

### **Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-16**

L: A reading from Hebrews.

<sup>12</sup>Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

<sup>13</sup>And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

<sup>14</sup>Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession.

<sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

<sup>16</sup>Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*WE STAND*

### **Gospel Acclamation**

*We sing together*

*(See next page)*

Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
 words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu-ia.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

**Gospel: Mark 10:17-31**

**P:** The holy gospel according to Mark.

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

P: <sup>17</sup>As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” <sup>20</sup>He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. <sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.” <sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The gospel of the Lord.

# C: Praise to you, O Christ.

## WE SIT

### Sermon

Rev. Eric Olaf Olsen

## WE STAND

### Hymn of the Day

# Take My Life, That I May Be

ELW 583

*We sing together*

*Refrain/Estrillo*



To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -  
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,



da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón  
to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;



y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.  
let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.



1 Que mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té  
1 Take my hands and let them move  
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold,  
3 Take my voice and let me sing  
4 Take my will and make it thine;



con - sa - gra - da a ti, Se - ñor;  
at the im - pulse of thy love;  
not a mite would I with - hold;  
al - ways, on - ly for my King;  
it shall be no lon - ger mine;



que a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -  
take my feet and let them be swift and  
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry  
take my lips and let them be filled with  
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall



*Refrain/Estrillo*

pul - so de tu a - mor.  
beau - ti - ful for thee.  
pow'r as thou shalt choose.  
mes - sag - es from thee.  
be thy roy - al throne.

- 2 *Que mis pies tan sólo en pos de lo santo puedan ir, y que a ti, Señor, mi voz, se complazca en bendecir.* Estrillo
- 3 *Que mis labios al hablar hablen sólo de tu amor; que mis bienes dedique yo los quiera a ti, Señor.* Estrillo

- 4 *Que mi tiempo todo esté consagrado a tu loor; que mi mente y su poder sean usados en tu honor.* Estrillo

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, adapt.; Spanish text: Vincent Mendoza, 1875-1955  
Music: TOMA MI VOLUNTAD, William Dexheimer Pharris, b. 1956  
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## **Apostles' Creed**

P: Together, we confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**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 to the dead.\***

**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.**

## *WE SIT*

### **Prayers of Intercession**

P: Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation. (*brief silence*)

L: Compassionate God, embolden the church to seek all who are lost, clothe those who are naked, and mend what is broken. May we be generous bearers of your eternal love. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

L: Sustaining God, as we approach harvest time, we pray for farmers, field workers, and those who process crops. Keep us mindful of environmental threats to the nourishing food that feeds the world. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

L: Steadfast God, inspire world leaders to share resources and work collectively to end global poverty, starvation, and preventable disease. Direct us to seek justice and equity, that all may live in peace. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

L: Loving God, we pray for those who are afflicted, tormented, grieving, oppressed, and lonely. Tend to those who are close to our hearts, especially those on our prayer list and those we name before you now, aloud or in silence. (*pause*). Deliver the strength of your love and compassion to all who need it today. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

L: Generous God, we give thanks for the first nations and tribes who inhabited this land. We lament the harm done by colonization. Restoring Lord, grant healing and

wholeness to those who are sick and suffering especially in Gaza, Ukraine, Haiti, Myanmar, Venezuela and more than 15 war-torn areas in Africa. Call us to deeper appreciation and care for the languages, rituals, and history of all Indigenous people. God of grace,  
**C: hear our prayer.**

L: Ever-living God, we rejoice to be heirs of the eternal life made real in Jesus' death and resurrection. We give thanks for saints of all times and places, first and last, who still inspire us to faithful living. God of grace,  
**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.  
**C: Amen.**

### *WE STAND*

#### **Peace**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

*Feel free to greet your neighbors with a word of peace.*

### *WE SIT*

#### **Offertory**



*The offering is collected at this time. You also can give online by scanning the QR Code printed here or via the Online Giving page at [faithlutheransrq.com](http://faithlutheransrq.com). We deeply appreciate your support of Faith Lutheran's ministries.*

### *WE STAND*

*We sing together  
(See next page)*

## Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

### Offering Song

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the  
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950  
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### Offering Prayer

**P:** Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: 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.**

### Preface

**P:** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# Holy, Holy, Holy

*We sing together*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Thanksgiving at the Table

P: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P: Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming

again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **Lord's Prayer**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

### **Invitation to Communion**

P: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

### **Communion Song**

*We sing together*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

*Everyone is welcome at the Lord's table.*

**WE STAND**

**Table Blessing**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**C: Amen.**

**Prayer after Communion**

P: Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**Blessing**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

**Sending Song**

**O Jesus, I Have Promised**

ELW 810

*We sing together*

*(See next page)*

1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;  
 2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.  
 3 Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still  
 4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you

re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.  
 I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt - ing sounds I hear.  
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.  
 that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.

I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,  
 My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;  
 Now speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;  
 And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;

nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.  
 but, Je - sus, then draw near - er to shield my soul from sin.  
 now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard - ian of my soul.  
 oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

Text: John E. Bode, 1816–1874, alt.  
 Music: MUNICH, *Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch*, Meiningen, 1693

## Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

Buxtehude - Selections from his composition

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## ***Welcome, Visitors!***

We are so glad you have joined us for worship. Please let us know that you visited by signing our guestbook and/or filling out a Visitor Card located on the table near the entrance. Kindly give the card to an usher or place it in the offering plate.

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### ***Join in Prayer and Bible Study***

- **Adult Forum meets between services in the conference room.** Next week, participants will continue the study of the "Path to the Cross" video series.
  - **Men of Faith** meet for breakfast and prayer at **8:30 a.m. each Tuesday at Skilletts, 8635 S. Tamiami Trail.**
  - **G.I.F.T.S. (Growing in Faith Through Scripture) Women's Bible study meets at 9:30 a.m. Tuesdays in the library** to focus on "Leaning on Jesus: A Study of God's Strength."
  - **Adult Bible Study** will continue each **continuing each Wednesday through November 13<sup>th</sup>.** Each one-hour session begins at **9:30 a.m. and meets in the second-floor classroom** across from the elevator.
  - **The Prayer Group meets at 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays in the chapel** to pray for all in need, our community, nation and world, and to share Holy Communion. Can't attend in person? Join via Zoom: Meeting ID 871 4720 3661. Passcode 041291.
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### ***Bereavement Group Meets Wednesdays***

The Bereavement Group meets at **1 p.m. Wednesdays in the chapel.** If you or a friend can use help bearing the burden of grief, this group is for you.

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### ***You Can Help Needy through Pastor's Discretionary Fund***

Pastor Eric often speaks with people about aid they require. The Pastor's Discretionary Fund allows him to assist financially, when appropriate. **The need currently is great so, if you can, please consider a donation to the fund so those in need can receive assistance.** You can give through the Online Giving page at [faithlutheransrq.com](http://faithlutheransrq.com), or by designating a check or cash contribution. Thank you!

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### ***Coffee Hour Is Important! Please Volunteer!***

Coffee hour needs additional volunteers. All you have to do is provide and put out snacks, and clean up afterward. Faith can cover the cost of the snacks if you would like to volunteer but don't have resources to purchase them. **Sign up on the sheet beside the coffee pot in fellowship hall.**

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## ***Experiencing the Joy of Generosity! The Joy of Receiving God's Blessings***

God gives us the talents, abilities and gifts necessary for our tasks, and then God grants us the glorious privilege of serving in the kingdom.

“For we are God’s fellow workers” (1 Corinthians 3:9).

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### ***Worship to Go Needs Your Help THIS TUESDAY!!***

Worship to Go needs additional helpers! You can participate at:

- **1:30 p.m., Monday, Oct. 14**, at Sarabella Senior Living, 5650 Gantt Road. Volunteers will meet at 12:45 p.m. in the Faith chapel and will carpool to the facility.
- **10:45 a.m., this Tuesday, Oct. 15**, in the independent living facility’s Tiffany Room at Elancé, next door to Faith. Volunteers will review the service at 10 a.m. in the chapel.
- **1:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 15**, at Angels Senior Living, 5750 Honore. Volunteers will meet at 12:45 p.m. in the chapel and will carpool to the facility.

To join in, contact Pastor Eric directly, 716-352-0055. No experience necessary!

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### ***Need a Ride to Church?***

Faith will pay for Uber or Lyft to bring you or others to worship or other events. Contact Pastor Eric to make arrangements, 716-352-0055.

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### ***Donate Altar Flowers in Honor or in Memory***

Please consider donating altar flowers in honor of a special occasion, in memory of a loved one or to glorify God. The cost is \$30 for one vase or \$60 for two. Make checks payable to Faith Lutheran Church with “altar flowers” in the memo line. Check the altar flowers donation board in fellowship hall to see if your desired date is available. If not, choose an alternate date. **The next open date is Sunday, Oct. 27.** When you purchase altar flowers, your name and dedication appear in the bulletin on your selected Sunday. To make a dedication:

- At church, complete an Altar Flowers envelope with payment, and place it in the offering plate. Indicate your wish to keep or donate the flowers on the donation board in fellowship hall.
- By mail, send payment with a note indicating your desired date and dedication, and if you want to keep the flowers or donate them.
- By email or phone, contact the church office with your desired date and dedication, and whether you want to keep or donate the flowers. Pay through the Altar Flowers option on the Online Giving page of the Faith website, [faithlutheransrq.com](http://faithlutheransrq.com).

If you have questions or specific requests about who or what organization should receive flowers that you purchased and choose to donate, contact Joan Hirsch, 941-726-7885.

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## ***First Workshop on New Pictorial Church Directory***

On October 27th we will meet in the sanctuary at 9:15 AM, to learn how to use our church software for the purpose of creating a digital pictorial directory and to maintain our own personal information. You are welcome to bring your laptop, tablet or mobile phone as members or long-term visitors of the congregation.

Our Evangelism Ministry Team and Finance Committee will offer an informational presentation to talk through the easy steps necessary. If you are familiar with downloading apps, you are welcome to download the IconCMO app on your mobile device in advance of the workshop.

During the session, you'll learn how to use Faith's safe and secure church software system to:

- Keep your own records up to date.
- See your donations to Faith.
- Choose what personal information you would like to share in the new pictorial directory.
- View the digital pictorial directory that includes your church friends. Paper copies will be available on request.
- Schedule a directory photo appointment with our own Kelly Ashlock by choosing a time on the sign-up sheet.

Adult Forum will not meet Oct. 27.

Prior to the Oct. 27 sessions, please be sure to fill out a Household Email Form. The forms will be distributed as you enter the sanctuary on several Sundays earlier in October. You can complete the form and place it in the offering plate.

The other two dates for the same information will be held on Nov. 17 and Jan. 12, 2025. For more information or to ask questions, contact Lauren Wardach, 941-529-6879 or [LaurenFLCSRQ@gmail.com](mailto:LaurenFLCSRQ@gmail.com).

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# Worship and Service Calendar

## Worship Services

Sundays at 8 a.m. & 10:15 a.m. in person.  
Live streamed and recorded at  
[www.faithlutheransrq.com/live-service](http://www.faithlutheransrq.com/live-service).

### Sunday, Oct. 6

Online views 92  
8 a.m. in person 27  
10:15 a.m. in person 105

### Next Sunday, Oct. 20

#### First Reading

Isaiah 53:4-12  
The suffering servant.

#### Psalmody

Psalm 91:9-16  
You have made the Lord your refuge, and the  
Most High your habitation. (Ps. 91:9).

#### Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-10  
Through suffering Christ becomes the source of  
salvation.

#### Gospel

Mark 10:35-45  
Warnings to ambitious disciples

## This Week at Faith

### Monday, Oct. 14

12:45 p.m. Woship to Go Prep, chapel  
1:30 p.m. Worship to Go at Sarabella  
5 p.m. Executive Meeting, conference room  
6:30 p.m. S.U.R.E Board Meeting, 12Springs

### Tuesday, Oct. 15

8:30 a.m. Men of Faith Breakfast, Skillets  
9:30 a.m. Women Bible Study, library  
10 a.m. Woship to Go Prep, chapel  
10:45 a.m. Worship to Go at Elance  
12:45 p.m. Woship to Go Prep, chapel  
1:30 p.m. Worship to Go at Angels Senior  
Living  
6 p.m. Diversity Voices of Sarasota,  
choir room and sanctuary

### Wednesday, Oct. 16

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. Prayer Support Group, chapel  
1 p.m. Bereavement Group, chapel

### Thursday, Oct. 17

9 a.m. Receive and Prep Food Delivery,  
food pantry  
9:30 a.m. Finance Committee, conference  
room  
1 p.m. Stitch 'n' Chatter, Room 212  
1:30 p.m. Stewardship Meeing, conference  
room  
4:30 p.m. Food Pantry Prep  
5 p.m. Food Pantry Open

### Friday, Oct. 18

8 a.m. Jazzercise, gym

### Saturday, Oct. 19

9 a.m. Diakonia, conference room  
Sanctuary and community center in use

### Sunday, Oct. 20

8 a.m. In-Person Worship Service, sanctuary  
9:10 a.m. Adult Forum, conference room  
9:30 a.m. Voices of Faith Rehersal, choir room  
10:15 a.m. In-Person Worship Service, sanctuary

**Contact officeadmin@faithlutheransrq.com:**

- If you or someone you know would appreciate a communion, hospital or home visit; to be contacted; or to receive a card in the mail.
- To add or remove a name from the Prayer List.

## *Prayer List*

Alan  
Dick Allender, cousin of Gerri Copper  
Alex  
Pastor Steve Anderson, friend of Jan Phillips  
Chuck & Tani Banta  
Barbara Brannan, mother of Kim McDonald  
Arthur Brucato, friend of Karla Lewis &  
Michael Leonhardt  
Dee Burlingame  
Judy Carlsen  
Friends & Family of Joel Concepcion, friend  
of Kelly Ashlock  
Evelyn Conlon  
Jeanine Davis (nee Molella), granddaughter of  
Karen & John White  
Eloise Dettmer  
Ryan Donahue, friend of Doris Anne Prieur-Lucia  
Andrea Gamboa  
Jeff Hansen, nephew of Joan Searles  
Patricia Head, mother of Wayne Head  
Sonja Hickling, mother of Kelly Ashlock  
Becky Hilton Heeps, friend of Lisa Olsen  
Kevin Hooks, son-in-law of Anita & Jon Wooton  
Jesus & Rita Jimenez  
Alf Kirkeeng  
Leonard Kotwitz, brother of Janet Falk  
Lillian Lapenckas  
Kevin Lasko  
Chick Lehmann, husband of Suzie Lehmann  
Ruth Levy, sister of Joan Hirsch  
Diane Lewis, sister-in-law of Karla Lewis &  
Michael Leonhardt  
Pat Longo & Ronnie Mojo, friends of Susan Wakefield  
Kimberly MacDonald & Barbara, self and mother  
Julie & Eli Maresch, niece & grandnephew  
of Patty McKee  
Paul & Debbie Maresch, brother & sister-in-law  
of Patty McKee  
Dennis McCaughey, friend of Lois Weaverling  
Kim McDonald  
Judi Melander  
Alison Nommay, friend of Karla Lewis  
& Michael Leonhardt  
Terry O'Connell, friend of Marlene Radesk  
Meghan Ortega, niece of Lisa & Pastor Eric Olsen  
Judy Osborn, sister of Peggy Ragan  
Pastor Terry Parker, friend of Max &  
Pastor Marianne Powrie  
Fran Perkins  
Jean Peters, friend of Faye Adkin  
Family & Friends of Wally Pina  
Family & Friends of Cindy Press, friend of Kevin &  
Linda Fewell  
Richard Keith Radcliffe, brother of  
Gail Radcliffe Brown  
Annabel Ryan  
Robin Ryder, daughter of Floyd Ryder &  
sister of Gail Murphy  
Lorna Sawyers-Sucra, friend of  
Jeremy & Yvonne Mullins  
Kathy Schilio  
Becky Sciranko, niece of Alice Rush  
Joan Searles  
Stephanie Sebastyn, friend of Carolyn Winemiller  
Pastor John Spittal  
Dr. Heather Stark, friend of Cliff Hornsby  
Mark Stengel  
Leigh Tarantino, friend of Marlene  
Radesk  
David Turnbull, husband of Patricia White  
Brittany Wanko & her premature newborn  
infants, Olivia Mae & Emmet Walter  
Friends & Family of Paul Wick  
Jon Wooton  
Celeste & John Yee, daughter and father of Marlene  
Radesk