

# June 23, 2024 Full Summer Worship Bulletin

Welcome to Faith and thank you for worshiping with us! All are Welcome.

Faith Lutheran Church is a family of God built on love: worshipping, welcoming, learning, and serving in Christ's name.

#### **GATHERING**

# Prelude Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" ELW #789

- 1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care. In your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use your fold prepare. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours.
- We are yours; in love befriend us, be the guardian of our way; keep your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.
- 3 You have promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;

you have mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you.

4 Early let us seek your favor, early let us do your will; blessed Lord and only Savior, with your love our spirits fill. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still.

#### Greeting

- A: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the unity of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you!
- A: You are the treasured people of the LORD,
- C: a people holy to the LORD our God.
- A: Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children.
- C: Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.
- A: One does not live by bread alone,
- C: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

# **Prayer Requests**

A: Any prayer requests?

# **The Hymn of Praise "**This Is My Father's World"

ELW #824

1 This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought. 2 This is my Father's world; the birds their carols raise; the morning light, the lily white, declare their maker's praise. This is my Father's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the rustling grass I hear him pass;

he speaks to me ev'rywhere.

3 This is my Father's world; oh, let me not forget that, though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet. This is my Father's world; why should my heart be sad? The Lord is king, let heaven ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

# **Prayer of the Day**

A: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

A: Let us pray. ...

C: O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# **WORD**

First Reading Job 38:1-11

At the end of the book of Job, after Job and his companions have argued about the cause of the great suffering Job endures, God finally speaks. These verses begin that speech, which is a grand vision of creation, describing God's ordering of the cosmos and inviting Job to marvel at its beauty.

<sup>1</sup>The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:

<sup>2</sup>"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

<sup>3</sup>Gird up your loins like a man,

I will guestion you, and you shall declare to me.

<sup>4</sup>"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding.

<sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it?

<sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone

<sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

- 8"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?—
- <sup>9</sup>when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band,
- <sup>10</sup>and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors,
- <sup>11</sup>and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?"

#### Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good, for God's mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup>Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,

- <sup>3</sup>gathering them in from the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
- <sup>23</sup>Some went down to the sea in ships, plying their trade in deep waters.
- <sup>24</sup>They beheld the works of the LORD, God's wonderful works in the deep.
- <sup>25</sup>Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea.
- <sup>26</sup>They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths; their souls melted away in their peril.
- <sup>27</sup>They staggered and reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of no avail.
- <sup>28</sup>Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD, and you delivered them from their distress.
- <sup>29</sup>You stilled the storm to a whisper and silenced the waves of the sea.
- <sup>30</sup>Then were they glad when it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor they desired.
- <sup>31</sup>Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love and your wonderful works for all people.
- <sup>32</sup>Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people; in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

Paul and his fellow workers experience great hardships and even rejection while carrying out their missionary work. Nevertheless, Paul continuously proclaims that God has not rejected us but is graciously working for our salvation.

<sup>1</sup>As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! <sup>3</sup>We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, <sup>7</sup>truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

<sup>11</sup>We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. <sup>12</sup>There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. <sup>13</sup>In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

(after the readings)

L: Holy wisdom, holy word.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### **Kids' Time**

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

"Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks"

WOV #671 vs 1&5

Refrain

Alleluia alleluia
Give thanks to the Risen Lord
Alleluia alleluia
Give praise to His Name

Verse 1
Jesus is Lord of all the earth
He is the King of creation Refrain

#### Verse 5

# Come let us praise the Living God Joyfully sing to our Saviour Refrain

Gospel Mark 4:35-41

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>35</sup>When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" <sup>39</sup>He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

(after the reading)

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

#### Sermon

# **Sermon Song** "Will You Come and Follow Me"

ELW #798

- 1 "Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
- 2 "Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare,

- should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer pray'r in you and you in me?
- 3 "Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the pris'ners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

- 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"
- 5 Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
  Thus I'll move and live and grow.

Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

# Response to the Word (Apostle's Creed)

**WOV p.49** 

A: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit. (Ephesians 1:13-14)

A: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day He rose again. 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

#### Confession & Forgiveness

P: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith; Jude 20

C: pray in the Holy Spirit.

P: Keep yourselves in the love of God; Jude 21

C: look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: 2 Cor. 5:17

C: Everything old has passed away; behold everything has become new! Stand

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

Silence for reflection and self examination.

P: Gracious God,

- C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen
- P: The almighty and merciful God grants you pardon, forgiveness, and release from all your sins. **C: Amen**

# The Prayers of the Church

A: We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

#### A brief silence.

Equip your faithful people to approach this world with a sense of wonder. Make your church a safe place to explore big questions, troubling doubts, and honest laments. Humble our hearts to repent of the ways that communities of faith have inflicted pain or trauma. Merciful God,

#### receive our prayer.

You spoke creation into order from the chaos of the swirling deep. May your name be praised by rivers and seas, wetlands and waterfalls. Secure clean water for all people and protect water sources from contamination or exploitation. Merciful God,

# receive our prayer.

Amid whirlwinds of division, violence, and conflict, remind us again that you are as steadfast as the foundations of the earth. Rejuvenate peacemakers, advocates, and community organizers when they feel weary in their work (*especially*). Merciful God,

#### receive our prayer.

Deliver your people from their distress, O God. We lift before you all who are sick or struggling (*especially*). Grant consolation and peace to all who live with chronic, terminal, or persistent illness. In times of affliction or hardship, sustain us in faith. Merciful God,

# receive our prayer.

Enfold all travelers with your protection. Bless the comings and goings of this assembly as we travel for leisure or for work. Let all journeys be met with hospitality on the way, and let community members return to us with celebration. Merciful God,

#### receive our prayer.

#### Here other intercessions may be offered.

Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation for all the redeemed of the Lord. Joined together with the great cloud of witnesses, we give thanks for your steadfast love and your wonderful works. Merciful God,

#### receive our prayer.

Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

# **Passing of the Peace**

P: The peace of the lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

# The Offering

"We Give Thee but Thine Own" ELW #686 vs 1&2

1 We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

2 May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive, and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first fruits give.

#### **Offering Prayer**

A: Let us pray. Merciful God,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### **MEAL**

#### **Words of Institution**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, ...

... almighty Father, now and forever.

C: Amen

#### The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 & Luke 11:2-4

P: Lord Jesus, 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

#### Distribution

#### "Beautiful Savior"

ELW #838

- 1 Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee, light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
- 2 Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in flow'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.
- 3 Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright the sparkling stars on high; Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky.
- 4 Beautiful Savior,
  Lord of the nations,
  Son of God and Son of Man!
  Glory and honor,
  praise, adoration,
  now and forevermore be thine!

#### "Faith of Our Fathers"

ELW #812

1 Faith of our fathers, living still in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword.Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy whene'er we hear that glorious word.

#### Refrain

Faith of our fathers, holy faith, we will be true to thee till death.

- 2 The martyrs, chained in prisons dark, were still in heart and conscience free; and blest would be their children's fate if they, like them, should die for thee. *Refrain*
- 3 Faith of our fathers! We will love both friend and foe in all our strife:

proclaim thee too, as love knows how, by saving word and faithful life. *Refrain* 

#### **SENDING**

#### **Post-Communion Blessing**

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ nourish your soul and fill you with his grace now and forever! **C: Amen** 

# **Post-Communion Canticle** (Sing 2 Times)

"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

ELW #857

Verse

Lord I lift Your name on high Lord I love to sing Your praises I'm so glad You're in my life I'm so glad You came to save us Chorus

You came from heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high

#### **Post-Communion Prayer**

A: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever. Amen

#### **Benediction**

P: Go from this meal knowing that God blesses you and keeps you. That God's face shines on you and is gracious to you. That God looks on you with great favor and gives you peace.

C: Amen

#### **Announcements**

Sending Song "Lord of All Hopefulness"

ELW #765

1 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy:

be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
  - be there at our labors, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
- 3 Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace: be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm: be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

#### **Dismissal**

A: Go in peace and serve the Lord! C: Thanks be to God.

#### **Postlude**