



# Faith Lutheran Church

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

## **All Saints' Sunday**

5 p.m., November 2, 2025



In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In worship today we give thanks for all the saints “who from their labors rest.” In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of Jesus in today’s gospel. Sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior’s body and blood, we live with joy as God gives us breath, to the praise of God’s glory.

***Welcome to Worship at Faith Lutheran Church  
Gathered faithfully to love and serve God and all others***

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**All who are 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.**

**Minister**  
**Assisting Minister**  
**Director of Music**

Rev. Eric Olaf Olsen  
Deacon Scott Rice  
Andi Zdrava

## **WELCOME**

### *WE STAND*

#### **SONG: O Come to the Altar**

Verse

Are you hurting and broken within?  
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin?  
Jesus is calling.  
Have you come to the end of yourself?  
do you thirst for a drink from the well?  
Jesus is calling.

Chorus

O come to,  
the altar,  
the Father's arms are open wide,  
forgiveness,  
was bought with,  
the precious blood of Jesus Christ.

Verse 2

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes,  
come today there's no reason to wait,  
Jesus is calling.  
Bring your sorrows and trade them for  
joy,  
from the ashes a new life is born,  
Jesus is calling.

Chorus x 2

O come to,  
the altar,  
the Father's arms are open wide,  
forgiveness,  
was bought with,  
the precious blood of Jesus Christ.

Bridge x 2

Oh what a Saviour,  
isn't He wonderful,  
sing hallelujah Christ is risen,  
bow down before Him,  
for He is Lord of all,  
sing hallelujah Christ is risen.

Chorus x 2

O come to,  
the altar,  
the Father's arms are open wide,  
forgiveness,  
was bought with,  
the precious blood of Jesus Christ.

Music & Lyrics by: Chris Brown, Mack Brock, Steven Furtick, Wade Joye

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God's abiding love.  
(pause for reflection)

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: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in 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 power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Amen.**

## **SONG: Here I Am To Worship**

### *Verse 1*

Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness,  
Opened my eyes, let me see beauty that made this heart adore You,  
Hope of a life spent with You.

### *Chorus*

So here I am to worship.  
Here I am to bow down.  
Here I am to say that You're my God,  
And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.

### *Verse 2*

King of all days, Oh so highly exalted,  
glorious in heaven above.  
Humbly You came to the earth You created,  
All for love's sake became poor.

### *Chorus*

So here I am to worship.  
Here I am to bow down.  
Here I am to say that You're my God,  
And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me.

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And I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross  
And I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross

*Chorus*

So here I am to worship.  
Here I am to bow down.  
Here I am to say that You're my God,  
And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me.

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

**P:** Let us pray. Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*WE SIT*

**FIRST READING: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18**

**L:** A reading from Daniel.

<sup>1</sup> In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: <sup>2</sup> I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, <sup>3</sup> and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

<sup>15</sup> As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. <sup>16</sup> I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: <sup>17</sup> "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. <sup>18</sup> But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

**L:** Word of God, word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM: Psalm 149**

L: We read Psalm 149 responsively.

Sing the Lord's praise in the assembly of the faithful.

**C: Sing the Lord's praise in the assembly of the faithful.**

L: <sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song,  
God's praise in the assembly of the faithful.

<sup>2</sup> Let Israel rejoice in their maker;  
let the children of Zion be joyful in their ruler.

<sup>3</sup> Let them praise their maker's name with dancing;  
let them sing praise with tambourine and harp.

<sup>4</sup> For the LORD takes pleasure in the people  
and adorns the poor with victory.

**C: Sing the Lord's praise in the assembly of the faithful.**

L: <sup>5</sup> Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;  
let them sing for joy on their beds.

<sup>6</sup> Let the praises of God be in their throat  
and a two-edged sword in their hand,

<sup>7</sup> to wreak vengeance on the nations  
and punishment on the peoples,

<sup>8</sup> to bind their kings in chains  
and their nobles with links of iron,

<sup>9</sup> to inflict on them the judgment decreed;  
this is glory for all God's faithful ones. Hallelujah!

**C: Sing the Lord's praise in the assembly of the faithful.**

*WE STAND*

## **SONG: In Christ Alone**

*Verse 1*

In Christ alone my hope is found. He is my light, my strength, my song,  
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.

*Verse 2*

In Christ alone who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe,  
This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Til on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied,  
For every sin on Him was laid here in the death of Christ I live.

*Verse 3*

There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain.  
Then bursting forth in glorious day up from the grave He rose again.  
And as He stands in victory sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

*Verse 4*

No guilt in life, no fear in death - This is the power of Christ in me.  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand.  
Til He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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**GOSPEL: Luke 6:20-31**

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

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

**P:** <sup>20</sup> Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said: “Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.<sup>21</sup> “Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. “Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. <sup>22</sup> “Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup> Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

<sup>24</sup> “But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. <sup>25</sup> “Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. “Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. <sup>26</sup> “Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

<sup>27</sup> “But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; <sup>28</sup> bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. <sup>29</sup> If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. <sup>30</sup> Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. <sup>31</sup> Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*WE SIT*

**MESSAGE**

Rev. Eric Olsen

*WE STAND*



- 1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, when shall I come to thee?
- 2 O hap - py har - bor of the saints, O sweet and pleas - ant soil!
- 3 Thy gar - dens and thy gal - lant walks con - tin - ual - ly are green;
- 4 There trees for - ev - er - more bear fruit and ev - er - more do spring;
- 5 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, would God I were in thee!



When shall my sor - rows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?  
 In thee no sor - row may be found, no grief, no care, no toil.  
 there grow such sweet and pleas - ant flow'rs as no - where else are seen.  
 there ev - er - more the an - gels sit and ev - er - more do sing.  
 Would God my woes were at an end, thy joys that I might see!

Text: F.B.P., 16th cent.

Music: LAND OF REST, North American melody

## WE SIT

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**P:** Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

**L:** God of all that is, delight in the praises of your people and revive the spirit of your church. Move through us with boldness so that we proclaim the gospel of Christ throughout the world. Renew and revive pastors, deacons, and lay leaders. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**L:** God of the beginning, give us the courage to advocate for environmental policy that will ensure a viable future for generations to come. Restore desolate places to health and flourishing. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**L:** God of all our days, guide the leaders of governments, nations, municipalities, and all those seeking office. Accompany election officials and volunteers. Dismantle injustice and oppression wherever it is found. We pray for an end to suffering in Cuba, and an enduring, just peace in Israel, Gaza, Russia, Ukraine and all areas rocked by suffering and unrest. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

L: God of what is yet to come, encourage and inspire those who give their time, talent, and treasure in service to your church. By their commitment, further the work of ministry in this place and uplift your gospel. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

L: God of time and space, we give thanks for the faithful departed (*include names here*). Sustain us in hope of our eternal unity in Christ. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

L: God of comfort in troubled times, we pray for those in need of protection and care, especially those on our prayer list and those we name before you now, aloud or in our hearts (*pause*). Trusting that you are constant in mercy, protect those who seek safety and solace. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

P: We entrust these prayers to you, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.

**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**



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*WE STAND*



## **SONG: This I Believe** (*The Creed*)

### *Verse 1*

Our Father everlasting,  
The all-creating One,  
God Almighty, through Your Holy Spirit  
Conceiving Christ the Son, Jesus our Savior.

### *Chorus 1*

I believe in God our Father.  
I believe in Christ the Son.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit.  
Our God is three in One.  
I believe in the resurrection,  
That we will rise again,  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus.

### *Verse 2*

Our judge and our defender suffered and crucified,  
Forgiveness is in You.  
Descended into darkness,  
You rose in glorious life  
Forever seated high.

### *Chorus 2*

I believe in life eternal.  
I believe in the virgin birth.  
I believe in the saints' communion  
And in Your holy Church.  
I believe in the resurrection  
when Jesus comes again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus.

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## **OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Let us pray. Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, 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.**

## **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: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

*WE SIT*

## **DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*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.**

## **SONG: Goodness of God**

### **Verse 1**

I love You Lord  
Oh Your mercy never fails me  
All my days  
I've been held in Your hands  
From the moment that I wake up  
Until I lay my head  
I will sing of the goodness of God

### **Chorus**

All my life You have been faithful  
All my life You have been so, so good  
With every breath that I am able  
I will sing of the goodness of God

### **Verse 2**

I love Your voice  
You have led me through the fire  
In darkest nights  
You are close like no other  
I've known You as a father  
I've known You as a friend  
I have lived in the goodness of God

### **Chorus**

All my life You have been faithful  
All my life You have been so, so good  
With every breath that I am able  
I will sing of the goodness of God

### **Bridge x 2**

Your goodness is running after, it's running after me  
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me  
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now, I give You everything  
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me

### **Chorus x 2**

All my life You have been faithful  
All my life You have been so, so good  
With every breath that I am able  
I will sing of the goodness of God

## **BLESSING**

**P:** Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

**P:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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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***

- **Men of Faith** meets for breakfast and prayer at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Skilletts
- **Women's Bible Study** will meet Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor library.
- **The Adult Bible Study** will meet Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the choir room on the Gospel of John.
- **The Prayer Support Group** meets at 10:45 a.m. Wednesdays in the chapel to pray for all in need, our community, nation and world, and to share Holy Communion.
- **The Bereavement Support Group** meets at 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the chapel.
- **The Adult Forum** will meet on Sundays between the two morning worship services (9:10–9:50 a.m.) in the Conference Room.

*Please check your Friday Update email for more information about these groups.*

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