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Holy Trinity  
9:30 Worship Celebration

# **FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH | Inviting, Growing, Serving...**

Becoming fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

May 31, 2026

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

Faith is a growing faith community in the Aurora area. We're people just like you, who are hungry to know God better. We're looking for the answers to life's tough questions. We're struggling to be better parents, spouses, friends, and neighbors. We don't have all the answers but we're growing as we go.

Faith is a great place to find healing for broken hearts and broken lives. In every Sunday message you'll learn new skills and attitudes to help you live life with the kind of joy that God intends for us. You'll also meet people who are also growing in their journey through the joys and challenges of life. You'll find lots of "walking partners" for your journey here. There are no closed doors at Faith, just lots of opportunities to grow in Christ, friendship, and love.

Faith is a church with a great vision; however, accomplishing a great vision requires the participation of many great people like you. There's a place in our vision for you to use your unique gifts and talents.

## **CURRENT WORSHIP SERIES:**

Forgiving someone before they ask for it isn't easy, but it's exactly what God did for us.

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# *The Gathering*

## **Praise to the Lord (Joyful Joyful)**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation

*Chorus 1* Come, all you hear, now to His temple draw near  
Join me in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord, above all things so wondrously reigning  
Sheltering you under his wings, and so gently sustaining

*Chorus 2* Have you not seen all that is needful has been  
Sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you  
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you

*Chorus 3* Ponder anew what the Almighty can do  
If with His love He befriends you

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee  
God of glory, Lord of love  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee  
Op'ning to the Sun above (*Repeat*)

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him  
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him

*Chorus 4* Let the Amen sound from His people again  
Gladly forever adore Him

## Here I Am to Worship

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

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*)

I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross  
I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross (*Repeat*)  
(*Chorus*) (*Chorus*)

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## The Word

### READING

**2 Corinthians 13:11-13**

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

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

### RESPONSE

In Christ Alone

*please stand*

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

### GOSPEL

**Luke 7: 36-50**

One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him, and when he went into the Pharisee's house he reclined to dine. And a woman in the city who was a sinner, having learned that he was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar of ointment. She stood behind him at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair, kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment. Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw it, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him, that she is a sinner." Jesus spoke up and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." "Teacher," he replied,

“speak.” “A certain moneylender had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. When they could not pay, he canceled the debts for both of them. Now which of them will love him more?” Simon answered, “I suppose the one for whom he canceled the greater debt.” And Jesus said to him, “You have judged rightly.” Then turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, “Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven loves little.” Then he said to her, “Your sins are forgiven.” But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, “Who is this who even forgives sins?” But he said to the woman, “Your faith has saved you; go in peace.”

## MESSAGE

Forgiveness 101 | Pastor Rob

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A: Holy God, we are in awe of your creative work. Continue that work in your church, making us a new creation that proclaims your presence and love. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Redeemer God, you call us to pray for those in authority. Guide our leaders to pursue the work of fostering peace and community. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Sustaining God, you are mindful of your people in every circumstance. Heal those who are sick. Provide for all who hunger. Protect those in harm's way. Comfort any experiencing hardship. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Gracious God, we pray for the children of our church and community. Provide for their needs. Support their caregivers. Nurture their faith. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Gracious and loving God, we pray for the family and friends of Faith... God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

### OFFERING

### OFFERING RESPONSE

*please stand*

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

Beautiful Savior

### OFFERATORY PRAYER

A: Loving God,  
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.  
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,  
so that all creation can taste your abundance.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus,  
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

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## *The Meal*

- P: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,  
in the beginning you formed the heavens and earth  
and created us in your likeness.  
You made us guardians of your good creation and left the earth in our care.  
All through our weary years and our silent tears,  
you did not abandon us to ourselves,  
but sought us out in love.
- In the crowning act of love you gave your only Son,  
that whoever believes in him will have eternal life.
- For you sent Jesus not to condemn the world,  
but to save the world from sin.
- Through his death on the cross, we who were once far off  
have been brought near by the blood of Christ.
- 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: With this bread and cup, we remember Christ's life among us;  
his association with outcasts, his eating with sinners,  
his healing of the sick, his care for the poor.

Send, we pray, your Holy Spirit  
upon us and upon this bread and wine,  
that we who share this meal may become a holy communion,  
the body of Christ in the world.

**C: Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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 THE MEAL**

**P:** Heaven has come near.  
Come, share in the feast!

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

### **AN INVITATION**

*We invite you to share in Holy Communion this morning, regardless of your church background or lack thereof. We believe that God is present in the bread and wine as it becomes the body and blood of Jesus Christ and that this presence is a gift of grace in the lives of those who receive it. All are welcomed to the table enjoy this gift of God's love and mercy. **Apple/Grape** juice is in the center of the communion tray. Gluten free wafers available at usher stand.*

**COMMUNION BLESSING** *please stand*

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

C: **Amen.**

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*The Sending*

**SENDING PRAYER**

A: Compassionate God,  
through the gifts of bread and wine  
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.  
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,  
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus,  
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

## CLOSING SONG

## Hope Has a Name

There is a song I know it well  
A melody that's never failed  
On mountains high in valleys low  
My soul will rest  
My confidence in You alone

*Chorus*    Hope has a name His name is Jesus  
              My Savior's cross has set this sinner free  
              Hope has a name His name is Jesus  
              Oh Christ be praised I have victory

There is a light salvation's flame  
Christ undefeated trampled the grave  
See now the cross be lifted high  
The light has come the light has won  
Behold the Christ    (*Chorus*)

There'll be a day my hope complete  
Now home in glory Your face I'll see  
My pain no more my fear will cease  
I bow my life I fix my eyes  
On Christ my king  
I bow my life I fix my eyes  
On Christ my king    (*Chorus*)

## DISMISSAL

**P:** Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

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## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Welcome to Faith!**

We are so glad that you have chosen to worship with us today! Have questions about Faith? Wondering how to get connected or get more involved? We'd love to help. No matter where you are in life or how many times you've visited, we're here to guide you towards your next best step. Stop by the welcome center located near the main entrance. If this is your first time at Faith, let us know, we've got a special gift just for you!

### **Outdoor Sunday Worship**

**Sun 6/21 | 9:30 AM**

Sunday, June 21, we'll be meeting outdoors at 9:30 AM for only one worship service. No 8:00 AM service. Bring your lawn chair or blanket and join us on the lawn. We'll have some outdoor seating as well. You can also attend from your car by tuning into FM 88.3. We'll be live streaming this service as well, if you're unable to make it in person. Come join us!

### **MONDAY NIGHT WOMENS STUDY**

**Mon 6/8 | 7:15 PM**

#### ***It's All Under Control***

*It's All Under Control* is a book for every woman who is hanging on tight and trying to get each day right—yet finding that life often feels out of control and chaotic.

Discover a new way of living that will free you to be you, and finally experience the peace of knowing a God who truly has it all under control. The book is available on Amazon- Come join us! We will meet Monday nights at Faith 6/8, 6/22

### **MENS COMMUNITY GROUP**

**Sat 6/13 | 8:00 AM**

Meets fireside at Faith, the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month.

In addition to coffee, great conversation, and fellowship, we typically are engaged in a spiritual study topic or video discussion. Come join us!

### **KIDWERKS Summer Schedule**

**Sundays at 9:30AM**

May: 31

June: 14 & 28

July: 12 & 26

August: 9 & 23

We will continue to meet this summer every other week in the auditorium. Join us for a summer of fun and learning! Any questions please contact [jenn@discoveringfaith.com](mailto:jenn@discoveringfaith.com)

## **VBS - Rainforest Falls**

**7/20 - 7/24/26 | 9:00 AM**

Join us this summer at Rainforest Falls, overflowing with wild waterfalls, towering trees, and colorful creatures. Beneath a canopy of chattering birds and howling monkeys, kids plunge into a lifelong adventure of discovering the nature of God. They'll explore what it means to be rooted in a relationship with God, their creator, a safe place in life's storms. Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make and devour yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Bible Adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God's love, and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long. For more information contact [jenn@discoveringfaith.com](mailto:jenn@discoveringfaith.com) or register online at [discoveringfaith.com](http://discoveringfaith.com)

## **TUESDAY AM WOMENS BIBLE STUDY**

**Tuesdays | 9:00 AM**

*It's Good to Be Queen by Liz Curtis Higgs*

This book chronicles the Queen of Sheba's intentional journey to seek wisdom from a godly source, King Solomon, and challenges the readers to become as bold, gracious and wise as the Queen. The workbook will be made available at the meetings (\$12). It is also available in Kindle format. For additional information contact Sue Boozell at [sue.boozell@discoveringfaith.com](mailto:sue.boozell@discoveringfaith.com).

## **NEXT**

**Sun 6/7 | 9:00 & 10:30 AM**

If you've ever wondered how to get involved at Faith, or how to take the next step, don't worry. We've created a simple next step for you. It's a small gathering called NEXT. This informal gathering lasts only about 20 minutes after services and will provide you an overview of our mission, strategy, and environments to help you determine your best next step for continuing your faith journey. Meets fireside

## **ADULT ONLINE STUDY GROUP**

**Tuesdays | 7:00 PM**

*God is Closer Than You Think*

In the six-session small group video Bible study, John Ortberg helps us to discover and enjoy a vibrant, moment-by-moment relationship with God the Father. Intimacy with God can happen right now – a closeness you can feel, a reality you can experience for yourself. God is closer than you think, and connecting with him isn't the exclusive domain of monks and ascetics. It's for business people, high school students, busy moms, single men, single women... and most important, it's for YOU!

This 6-week online study will be facilitated by Becky Marchiando. Please register below so that we may send you Zoom credentials required to participate. Come join us!

## **BASEBALL, FRIENDS AND FIREWORKS**

**Sat 6/13 | 6:30 PM**

Join us Saturday, June 13, 2026 at 6:30pm at Northwestern Field (34W002 Cherry Lane, Geneva, IL 60134) for a Kane County Cougars Game!

This is a great night for baseball with fireworks immediately following the game. Tickets are \$12/per person in Section 106. Discounted parking is also available- Preferred parking \$12 and General Admission parking \$7 at ticket purchase Tickets are non-refundable but may be exchanged for another game if there is rain. Parking is non-refundable.

Invite your friends and family! Tickets available online at [www.discoveringfaith.com](http://www.discoveringfaith.com) until June 5th. After June 5th pricing may increase and tickets are not guaranteed.

## **HESED HOUSE SERVING EVENT**

**Weds 6/17 | 6:30 PM**

Faith's next serving opportunity at Hessed House is June 17. We will need roughly 5 to 10 volunteers to help with meal setup, serving and cleanup. Volunteers can conveniently sign up online or at the welcome center. All that's needed is a serving heart. Sign up today! If you have questions about Faith's Hessed House ministry, please reach out to the ministry team at [hessedhouse@discoveringfaith.com](mailto:hessedhouse@discoveringfaith.com)

## **Giving at Faith! As Easy as Click & Give**



As followers of Jesus Christ, we embrace irrational generosity. We know it changes lives—ours and the people we're reaching. At Faith, taking action on your generosity is simple. Just scan the QR code with your camera and give. Simple, safe, and secure.



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