

Time after Pentecost 8:00 am worship service

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

Becoming fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

June 20, 2021

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: FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. We'll be looking at ways to allow the spirit to cultivate these virtues in our lives.

The Gathering

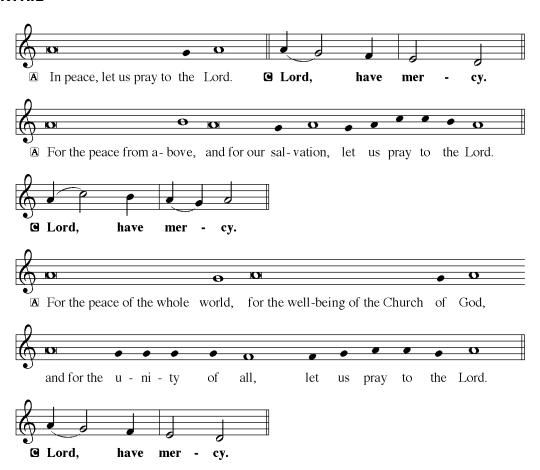
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

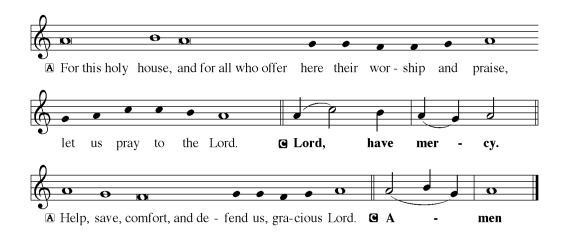


GREETING

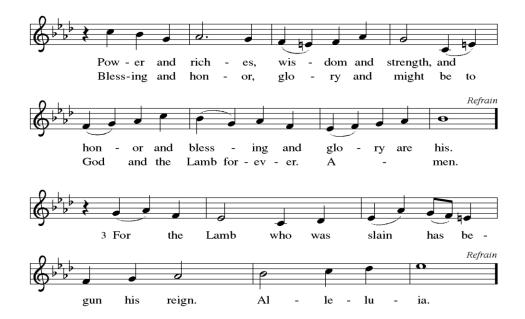
- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: 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.

The Word

FIRST READING Job 38:1-11

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? "Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?— when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. 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! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION please stand



P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 15th chapter.



GOSPEL John 15: 9-12

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

Joy | Pastor Rob

HYMN OF THE DAY

please stand



PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: Let us come before the triune God in prayer.
- A: Holy God, you gather your people from east and west, north and south. We pray for the mission of the church throughout the world, that your steadfast love may be made known to all peoples. Lord, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- A: You laid the foundations of the earth and the waters are the womb of creation. The morning stars sing your name and all creation shouts for joy. We pray for your blessed creation, that it may continue to flourish and magnify your glory. Lord, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- A: You keep watch over all nations. We pray for countries experiencing violence, hunger, and unrest. Guide worldwide and local community organizations in their efforts to establish safety and justice. Lord, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- A: You are close to the brokenhearted and near to those in distress. We pray for those who are experiencing oppression. Liberate us from the systems and chains that bind us. Remove the barriers that separate us from one another. Lord, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- A: You dwell with us in this faith community. We pray for our leaders and elders. Grant them knowledge, patience, and kindness, that through their leadership you may be exalted in this assembly. Lord, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- P: Gracious and loving God, we pray for the family and friends of Faith... Lord, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- P: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.
- C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

The Sending

BLESSING

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN



DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

STUDENT MINISTRIES CAR WASH

Today! | 8:00 AM

Have you looked out your window recently and said, "I need to get my car washed." Don't worry, the middle & high school students at Faith can help you with your problem. Bring your car with you to church on Sunday, June 20 and while you are worshiping your car will get clean and shiny. Your free-will donation will go to help support our students as they serve here in Aurora on their local mission trip in July.

ONLINE ADULT STUDY GROUP

Tuesdays | 7:00 PM

In this six-session small group Bible study, pastor and bestselling author Jim Cymbala explores the person and work of the Holy Spirit to bring a fresh sense of God's power to your church and your life.

What happens when the Holy Spirit moves powerfully within a church?

Through this six-session study you will learn how:

- To make room for the Spirit's action in your life and in your church
- God wants to work through your gifts and talents to enable you to do what only he can do
- To listen for the voice of the Spirit in prayer and how to apply God's Word to your life
- The Spirit can bring healing to your body, your emotions, and your relationships; how a life lived in the presence of the Spirit can transform the church and the world

MENS GROUP Sat 6/26 | 8:00 AM

A new men's group has started at Faith.

We'll be meeting fireside at 8:00am on the second & fourth Saturdays of the month. We're kicking off a new 4 part series on Saturday, June 26 entitled, "Circle Up." Coffee and donuts will be available but feel free to bring your new morning favorite.

LADIES CHARCUTERIE NIGHT

Sat 6/26 | 6:00 PM

Join us for an evening of conversation and refreshments on Faith's patio. Spend a relaxing early summer evening with old and new friends over wine and cheese.

KIDWERKS LIVE 2.0 - Now Meeting Onsite AND Online!

Kidwerks Live 2.0 is happening twice a month in the summer @ 9:15am in the auditorium and online for those who wish to participate from home!

Summer dates are: 6/27, 7/11, 7/25, 8/8, 8/22

For more information, please contact jenn@discoveringfaith.com

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - SAVE THE DATE!

Treasured--Discovering You're Priceless to God!

July 5-9 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Faith Lutheran Church

Cost: in person \$35 (early bird discount, register by 5/31); \$40 (after 6/1) remote: \$15

Treasured VBS takes kids on an epic, faith-filled adventure where they'll discover that they're God's greatest treasure! Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make and devour yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Wild 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. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes at Closing Quest that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. Due to COVID we will be offering VBS either onsite or online to best suit your family's needs.

ONE OF THESE NIGHTS CONCERT

Fri 7/9 | 8:00 PM

Spend your summer evening with friends from Faith listening to an acclaimed Eagle's tribute band. RiverEdge Park is located in downtown Aurora along the Fox River. Faith members will stake out a location for us to congregate. Tickets are available now for \$2.00/person and can be purchased through RiverEdge Park/Paramount. Bring your own seating. Food and beverage must be purchased on site.



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