Faith Lutheran Church

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Our Mission is to joyfully share God's love with all.

Sunday, May 4, 2025 3rd Sunday Easter Service of Holy Communion

All are welcome to communion.

The trays contain red wine and in the center is white grape juice.

Gluten free wafers are available at the center ends of the communion railing. Place empty wine cups in the basket at opposite ends of the communion railing.

Watch us Live at: https://faitheaton.com. YouTube link is under "Live". Bulletins are also available under "Resources" on this site. You can watch any service at your leisure, not just at the appointed service time. The new YouTube link:

https://www.youtube.com/@FaithLutheranChurchEaton/streams

We Are *Grateful* for our Faith Volunteers!

We have many opportunities to serve at Faith: Please consider signing up to be Ushers, Scripture Readers, Refreshment providers or Power Point Operator. There is a Sign-up Sheet in the Narthex.

Faith Volunteers

	May 4	May 11
Announcements	Mary Jimenez	Mary Jimenez
Usher		
Scripture Reader	Dick Leffler	Deb Patton
Communion Setup	Penny Letterly	Marty Miller
Communion Assistant		
Refreshments		
Power Point		

PRELUDE: Victor Walters

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins. Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of + the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

Amen.

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.

Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name.

Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG: That Easter Day with Joy was Bright ELW 384

GREETING

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

GLORY TO GOD

ELW - PAGE 213 (not hymn #)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Acts 9:1-6 [7-20]

¹ Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ² and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³ Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴ He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" ⁵ He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶ But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." [¹ The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. ⁵ Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁵ For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰ Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." ¹¹ The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, ¹² and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in

and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." ¹³ But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; ¹⁴ and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." ¹⁵ But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; ¹⁶ I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." ¹⁷ So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸ And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, ¹⁹ and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, ²⁰ and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."]

The Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Revelation 5:11-14

¹¹ Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹² singing with full voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

¹³ Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

"To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

¹⁴ And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

The Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



GOSPEL John 21:1-19

¹ After [he appeared to his followers in Jerusalem,] Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. ² Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. ³ Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴ Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵ Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." ⁶ He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. ⁷ That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. ⁸ But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

⁹ When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. ¹⁰ Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹ So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹² Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴ This was

now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶ A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." ¹⁹ (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

The Gospel of Our Lord, **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: What a Wondrous Love is This ELW 666

CREED (Please Stand)

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.

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer; When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer; Come and listen to me.

Each Petition ends: Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING SONG: I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me ELW 860

OFFERING PRAYER ^ (Please stand)

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING (Please Stand)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. 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:

You are holy, you are whole. You are always ever more than we ever understand, You are always at hand.

Blessed are you coming near. Blessed are you coming here to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

You are holy, you are wholeness, You are present, let the Cosmos praise you, Lord. Sing Hosanna in the highest! Sing Hosanna, Sing hosanna to our God.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

With thanksgiving we remember our Lord Jesus 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.

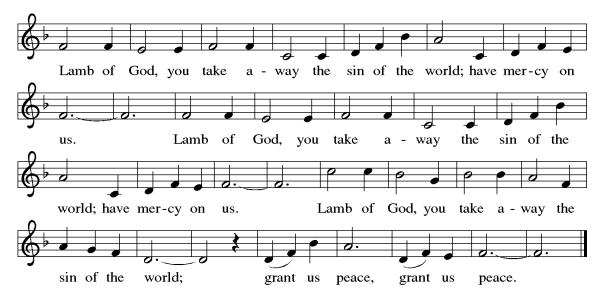
Together as the body of Christ, we proclaim the mystery of our faith. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

LAMB OF GOD ELW 195



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. (Please sit)

(Pastor offers Communion for those worshiping on-line)

COMMUNION HYMN: I Love to Tell the Story ELW 661

COMMUNION BLESSING ^ (Please stand)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.

BENEDICTION: Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD look upon you with favor and grant you peace. **Amen**

SENDING SONG: You Servants of God ELW 825

DISMISSAL: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE: Victor Walters

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**APRIL OFFERING:** 

April 27, 2025 Offering gratefully received: \$ 1171.00

Total Received for the month of April \$ 12360.30

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Birthdays this week:

May 6 William Brailsford

Anniversaries this Week:

May 5 Herb & Dorothy Eckas

May 9 Dick & Lois Leffler

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Study Ahead for May 11, 2025:

First Reading: Acts 9:36-43

Psalm: Psalm 23

Second Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

Gospel: John 10:22-30

### There is power in prayer!

Looking around in our community, and in our world, we can see changes every day. There are so many positive changes that happen. It is through the power of prayer, through our conversations with God that always make opportunities happen. In this time of discernment, let us all continue to turn to God in prayer in calling a new pastor.

God is calling us to be creative and openminded in this time of discernment.

Pastor Laurie O'Shea

### Please keep in your prayers:

- For those who are homebound, hospitalized or battling illness, especially: Pat Koplin, Sharon (Lynette Deuschle's mother), Twila and Lupe at Benjamin Square, Rose Fousts, Laurie Frick, Peggy Thompson (Rose's SIL), Jack Cazer, Manuela Avalos.
- For our Church, Council, Call Committee and partnership with Shepherd of the Valley Church, our Synod and for a new Pastor.
- For our Community, our World and all their leaders.

# Faith's Outreach Programs

- \* **Meals on Wheels** We need drivers to deliver to Eaton residents and food prep in Greeley store. Contact Nomie Ketterling (970-381-3417)
- \* *Greeley Interfaith Clothing bank* Faith volunteers on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays. Clothing drop box is in the Narthex under the mailboxes. Contact Rose Thompson 970-590-5099 *Clothing Bank desperately needs volunteers*.
- \* **Lutheran Episcopal Campus Ministry** There is a need for volunteers to provide a meal for their Sunday evening dinner & student worships. Contact Jen Leffler, 970-301-3489
- \*The Ault food pantry A donation box is located under the mailboxes in the Narthex.
- \*Guadalupe Center Volunteers needed for Lunch/Dinner Service, Client-facing projects and at the Distribution Center. Contact Lindsey Schwartz at 970-616-8606.

# Faith Facts

## **Faith Calendar for May**

May 4 – 9:50 a.m. – Children's Sunday School

May 5 – 9 a.m. – Men's Coffee, Prayer and Projects

May 11 – 9 a.m. – Adult Bible Study

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May 12 - 10 a.m. - Council Meeting

May 14 – 12 p.m. – Ladies' Bible Study Luncheon– Bring Salad Psalm 33:12-29 - O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

May 16 – 4-5 p.m. – UPK Preschool Graduation

May 19 – 9 a.m. – Men's Coffee, Prayer and Projects

May 25 – 9 a.m. – Adult Bible Study

May 25 – After Service – POTLUCK

June 1 – 10 a.m. – Pastor Cindy Wolf

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Amy Deuschle is going on a Mission trip to Costa Rica this summer. She is looking for prayer and financial support. Forms are in the Narthex.

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### **SECRETARY WANTED!**

Faith Council would like to thank Deb Patton for many years as our church secretary. We are looking for a new church secretary, for 5 or 6 hours - one day a week. It is a paid position. Duties include creating and printing the weekly bulletin, sending out newsletters, keeping up the church directory and assist the Pastor with other duties. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact a council member.