

Faith Lutheran Church

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

Sunday, May 11, 2025 4th 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 11	May 18
Announcements	Mary Jimenez	Mary Jimenez
Usher	Allen Letterly	
Scripture Reader	Deb Patton	Joy O'Shea
Communion Setup	Marty Miller	Judy Niccoli
Communion Assistant	Jan Leffler	
Refreshments		Lois Leffler
Power Point	Penny Letterly	Joy O'Shea

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: Holy God, We Praise Your Name ELW 414

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

O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through 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 9:36-43

³⁶ Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity.

³⁷ At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸ Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." ³⁹ So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰ Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹ He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴² This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³ Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

The Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Revelation 7:9-17

⁹ After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ They cried out in a loud voice, saying, “Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

¹¹ And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴ I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵ For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶ They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷ for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

The Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



GOSPEL John 10:22-30

²² At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³ and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴ So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵ Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶ but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷ My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰ The Father and I are one."

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

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: The King of Love My Shepherd Is ELW 502

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

ELW 751

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

ELW 525

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

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

(Please sit)

(Pastor offers Communion for those worshipping on-line)

COMMUNION HYMN: Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness
ELW 843

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: Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us! ELW 789

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:

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| May 4, 2025 Offering gratefully received: | \$ 2773.62 |
| Total Received for the month of May       | \$ 2773.62 |

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Birthdays this week:

May 15 Hilary Marrs
May 17 Emmett Trybe

Anniversaries this Week:

May 13 Spud and Mary-Cecelia Tharp

Study Ahead for May 18, 2025:

First Reading: Acts 11:1-18

Psalm: Psalm 148

Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-6

Gospel: John 13:31-35

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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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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), 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.

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## *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.

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Psalm 23

- ¹ The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.
- ² **The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**
- ³ You restore my soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.
- ⁴ **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I
shall fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**
- ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- ⁶ **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my
life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

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.

Resource Center's Annual Baby Bottle Drive – Pick up a baby bottle on Mother's Day, fill it with change, bills or a check (payable to The Resource Center), and return to the church on Father's Day. Your donation helps save babies' lives and share the gospel with their parents through complementary pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, parenting classes and more!

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## *Faith Facts*

### **Faith Calendar for May/June**

- May 11 – 9 a.m. – Adult Bible Study
- May 11 – 9:50 a.m. – Children's Sunday School
- May 11 – Resource Center Baby Bottle Drive
- 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