Faith Lutheran Church

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

Sunday, August 10, 2025 9th Sunday Pentecost 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 usher, read scripture, provide refreshments or operate the power point.

There is a Sign-up Sheet in the Narthex.

Faith Volunteers

	August 10	August 17
Announcements	Mary Jimenez	Mary Jimenez
Usher	Ketterlings	
Scripture Reader	Juanita Kohlhoff	Penny Letterly
Communion Setup	Marty Miller	Penny Letterly
Communion Assistant		Jan Leffler
Refreshments	Deb Patton, Dale Patton	
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.

In the name of the Father,

and of the + Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God.

you free us to love others,

but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.

You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,

but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.

You surround us with patience, kindness,

and generosity,

but we grow weary in doing what is right.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Do not give up on us.

Heal us, break our bonds,

and show us the path of life.

Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus

and you are God's children through faith.

and through the power of the Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG: O Master, Let Me Walk With You – ELW 818

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

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 15:1-6

¹ After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ² But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³ And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴ But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵ He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶ And he believed the Lord, and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

The Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

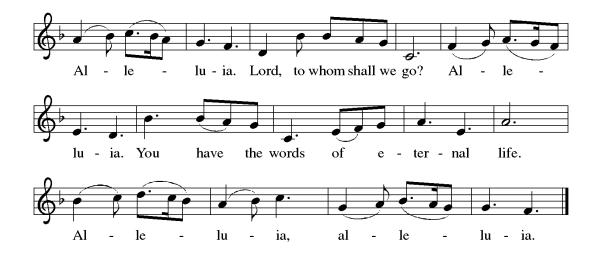
⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance, and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith, with Sarah's involvement, he received power of procreation, even though he was too old, because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better homeland, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

The Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



GOSPEL Luke 12:32-40

Jesus said: ³² "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵ "Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹ "But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

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

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus – ELW 802

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: God of Grace,

Hear our prayer.

PEACE

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

OFFERING SONG: Let Us Go Now to the Banquet – ELW 523

OFFERING PRAYER ^ (Please stand)

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

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.

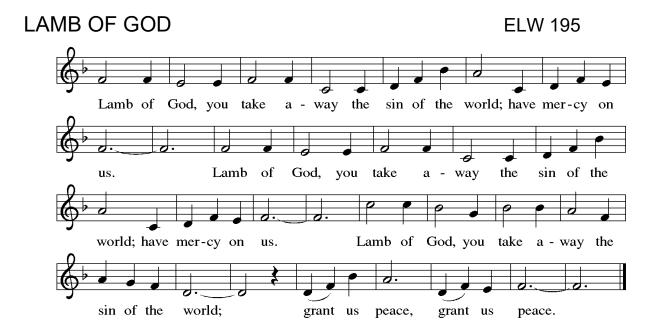
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice. (Please sit)

(Pastor offers Communion for those worshiping on-line)

COMMUNION HYMN: The King of Love My Shepherd Is – ELW 502

COMMUNION BLESSING ^ (Please stand)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Mothering god, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

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: Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer – ELW 618

DISMISSAL: Go in peace, Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Victor Walters

AUGUST OFFERING:

August 3rd, 2025 Offering gratefully received: \$1008.10 Mortgage donation last week: \$3250.00

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## Birthdays this week:

August 10 Hunter Woodworth

August 10 Mary Burkes

August 10 Ken Lindsley

August 11 Jan Leffler

August 11 Charlie Leffler

#### Anniversaries this Week:

August 11 Luke and Mandi Leffler August 14 Jeremy and Amy Olinger

## Study Ahead for August 17, 2025:

First Reading Jeremiah 23:23-29

Psalm: Psalm 82

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Gospel: Luke 12:49-56

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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.

Pastor Laurie O'Shea

Thank you

Thank you to everyone at Faith who donated to the preschool loan. We have reached our goal and will be able to pay off the loan for the preschool.

Please keep in your prayers:

- For those who are homebound, hospitalized or battling illness, especially: Pat Koplin, Sharon (Lynette Deuschle's mother), Peggy Thompson (Rose's SIL), Jack Cazer, Manuela Avalos, Tessa Lindsley, Ken Lindsley, Judy Niccoli, Christine Raabe.
- 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 3rd and 4th 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 worship. Contact Jen Leffler, 970-301-3489
- *The Ault food pantry A donation box is located under the mailboxes in the Narthex.

Upcoming

The next Ladies bible study will be Aug 13 at 1 pm on **Shout to the LORD** based on Psalm 96, 98, and 100. All women are invited. After Bible study, there will be a craft time. Deb Patton will guide us in making bookmarks with ends and pieces of ribbon and beads.

Adult Sunday School will be at 9 a.m. on August 3rd, September 7th, and September 21st.

Faith Facts

Faith Calendar for August

August 13 – 1 p.m. – Ladies Bible Study

Psalm: Psalm 33:12-22

- ¹² Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!
- ¹³ The Lord looks down from heaven, and sees all humankind.
- ¹⁴ God sits firmly enthroned and watches all who dwell on the earth.
- ¹⁵ God fashions all their hearts and observes all their deeds.
- ¹⁶ A king is not saved by the size of the army, nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.
- ¹⁷ The horse gives vain hope for victory; despite its great strength it cannot save.
- ¹⁸ Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O Lord, upon those who wait for your steadfast love,
- ¹⁹ to deliver their lives from death, and to keep them alive in time of famine.
- ²⁰ Our innermost being waits for you, O Lord, our helper and our shield.
- ²¹ Surely, our heart rejoices in you, for in your holy name we put our trust.
- ²² Let your lovingkindness, O Lord, be upon us, even as we place our hope in you.