

Faith Lutheran Church

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

Sunday, August 17, 2025 10th 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 be Ushers, Scripture Readers, Refreshment providers or Power Point Operator. There is a Sign-up Sheet in the Narthex.

Faith Volunteers

	August 17	August 24
Announcements	Mary Jimenez	Mary Jimenez
Usher	Letterly	Letterly
Scripture Reader	Penny Letterly	Jan Leffler
Communion Setup	Penny Letterly	Joy O'Shea
Communion Assistant	Jan Leffler	
Refreshments	Pastor & Joy O'Shea	Lois Leffler
Power Point	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.

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.

In the cross of ✝ Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG: How Firm a Foundation – ELW 796

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, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:23-29

²³ Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? ²⁴ Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. ²⁵ I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed! I have dreamed!" ²⁶ How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? ²⁷ They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. ²⁸ Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. ²⁹ Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

The Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

²⁹ By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven

days. ³¹ By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

³² And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵ Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶ Others suffered mocking and flogging and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were stoned to death; they were sawn in two; they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented ³⁸ of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹ Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰ since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

^{12:1} Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. The Word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Al - le -

lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL Luke 12:49-56

Jesus said: ⁴⁹ “I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵² From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³ they will be divided:

father against son

and son against father,

mother against daughter

and daughter against mother,

mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law

and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

⁵⁴ He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain,’ and so it happens. ⁵⁵ And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat,’ and it happens. ⁵⁶ You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

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

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: Let the Whole Creation Cry – ELW 876

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.**

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

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

(Please sit)

(Pastor offers Communion for those worshipping on-line)

COMMUNION HYMN: Have Thine Own Way, Lord*
(On Screen or Back of Bulletin)

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: I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light – ELW 815

DISMISSAL: Go in peace, Live by the Spirit.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Victor Walters

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*AUGUST OFFERING:*

August 10th, 2025 Offering gratefully received: \$ 2253.10

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Birthdays this week:

Anniversaries this Week:

August 19	Glenn and Shannon Leffler
August 19	Chad and Angie Trybe

Study Ahead for August 24, 2025:

First Reading Isaiah 58:9b-14

Psalm: Psalm 103:1-8

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-29

Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

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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*

***A message from Eaton Schools***

Dear Eaton Faith Leaders,

As we begin the new school year this Wednesday and Thursday, I humbly ask for your prayers for our teachers, staff, students, and families. The journey of learning and growth demands great emotional, physical, and intellectual effort, and your prayers would mean a great deal to our school community as we embark on this important work.

Sincerely,  
Superintendent Todd Cordrey

***Please keep in your prayers:***

- For those who are homebound, hospitalized or battling illness, especially: Pat Koplin, Peggy Thompson (Rose's SIL), Manuela Avalos, Tessa Lindsley, Ken Lindsley, Judy Niccoli, Christine Raabe.
- 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 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 worships. Contact Jen Leffler, 970-301-3489
- * **The Ault food pantry** – A donation box is located under the mailboxes in the Narthex.

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## *Upcoming*

Adult Sunday School will be at 9 a.m. September 7<sup>th</sup>, and September 21<sup>st</sup>.

Faith will be hosting a BBQ on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. Hamburgers, sweet corn and hot dogs will be provided. If you plan to attend, please bring your favorite side dish or desert.

There will be no potluck on August 31<sup>st</sup>. Refreshments will be served as usual.

## *Thank you*

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

## *Faith Facts*

### **Faith Calendar for August**

Church Council Meetings on the Second Monday of each month.

Preschool Council Meetings on the Second Friday of each month.

August 28 – 5:30 p.m. – Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting at preschool

#### **\*Communion Hymn**

Have thine own way, Lord, have thine own way!  
Thou art the Potter, I am the clay.  
Mould me and make me After thy will,  
While I am waiting, Yielded and still.

Have thine own way, Lord, have thine own way!  
Search me and try me, Master, today!  
Whiter than snow, Lord, Wash me just now,  
As in the presence, Humbly I bow.

Have thine own way, Lord, have thine own way!  
Wounded and weary, Help me, I pray!  
Power all power, Surely is thine!  
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

Have thine own way, Lord, have thine own way!  
Hold o'er my being, Absolute way!  
Fill with thy Spirit, Till all shall see,  
Christ only, always, Living in me!