

Faith Lutheran Church

36980 CR 37, Eaton, CO 80615

Office (970) 454-2808

Pastor Laurie O'Shea

<https://faitheaton.com>



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

Sunday, September 21, 2025 15th 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

	September 21st	September 28th
Announcements	Mary Jimenez	Mary Jimenez
Usher	Letterly	
Scripture Reader	Penny Letterly	Jan Leffler
Communion Setup	Penny Letterly	Joy O'Shea
Communion Assistant	Jan Leffler	
Refreshments		POTLUCK
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.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God,
our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

Amen.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful and loving God,

we are your stiff-necked people.

We trample on the needy.

We grumble about your grace to others.

We turn away from the poor.

Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.

**Rejoice over us as ones who were lost
and have been found.**

Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.

Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

You who were lost have been found.

In the name of ✙ Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

Amen.

GATHERING SONG: Take My Life, That I May Be – ELW 583

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

**God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7

⁴ Hear this, you who trample on the needy,
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,

⁵ saying, "When will the new moon be over
so that we may sell grain,
and the Sabbath,
so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah smaller and the shekel heavier
and practice deceit with false balances,

⁶ buying the poor for silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals
and selling the sweepings of the wheat."

⁷ The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

The Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

SECOND READING 1 Timothy 2:1-7

¹ First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ² for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³ This is right and acceptable before God our Savior, ⁴ who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵ For

there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,

⁶ who gave himself a ransom for all
—this was attested at the right time.⁷ For this I was appointed a herald
and an apostle (I am telling the truth; I am not lying), a teacher of the
gentiles in faith and truth.

The Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



GOSPEL Luke 16:1-13

¹ Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ² So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ ³ Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴ I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ ⁵ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶ He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ ⁷ Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ ⁸ And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly, for the children of this age are more shrewd in

dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹ And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰ “Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much, and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹ If, then, you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹² And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³ No slave can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

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

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: All Depends on Our Possessing – ELW 589

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, **receive our prayer.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING SONG: Lord, I Lift Your Name on High – ELW 857

OFFERING PRAYER ^ (Please stand)

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them.

Come to this meal of mercy.

(Please sit)

(Pastor offers Communion for those worshiping on-line)

COMMUNION HYMN: I am the Bread of Life – ELW 485

COMMUNION BLESSING ^ (Please stand)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this 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: Be Thou My Vision – ELW 793

DISMISSAL: Go in peace. Do not lose heart.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Victor Walters

~~~~~

*SEPTEMBER OFFERING:*

September 14th, 2025 Offering gratefully received: \$718.10

~~~~~

Birthdays this week:

September 22 Judy Niccoli
September 23 Emily Bigler
September 23 Andrea Jarboe
September 24 Jared Letterly
September 24 Meredith Letterly
September 27 Becky Lind
September 27 Kyndall Hood

Anniversaries this Week:

Study Ahead for September 28, 2025:

First Reading Amos 6:1a, 4-7
Psalm: Psalm 146
Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:6-19
Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

~~~~~

### ***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*

### ***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, Jerry Klein, Cory Miller.
- For our Community, State, Country, 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.***

* ***The Ault food pantry*** – A donation box is located under the mailboxes in the Narthex.

~~~~~

## *Upcoming*

- 60 YEARS! PRAISE GOD. This October we will celebrate 60 years of Faith Lutheran Church. We are planning to celebrate with a luncheon following our church service on October 26, 2025. The Lutheran Men of Song will be joining us that Sunday to share their ministry of music. Please plan to come and enjoy the music and stay for lunch. Our ladies will be providing salads and side dishes. The church will be providing sandwiches and the cake. If you know any persons who might be interested in joining us for the day, please feel free to invite them.
- Harvest Meal is being planned for November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Please put this on your calendar. Opportunities to serve will be announced soon. Thank you for your generous hearts willing to help and serve.
- Donations toward the Preschool's participation in the city's "Trunk or Treat" will be gratefully received.

## *Faith September Calendar*

Church Council Meetings on the Second Monday of each month.

Preschool Council Meetings on the Second Friday of each month.

Women's Bible Study on the Second Wednesday of each month.

Children's Sunday School will be every Sunday from 9:50 a.m. to Communion.

Adult Sunday School will be on the First and Third Sunday of each month.

## Psalm 113

<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the Lord;  
praise the name of the Lord.

<sup>2</sup> **Let the name of the Lord be blessed,  
from this time forth forevermore.**

<sup>3</sup> From the rising of the sun to its going down  
let the name of the Lord be praised.

<sup>4</sup> **The Lord is high above all nations;  
God's glory above the heavens.**

<sup>5</sup> Who is like the Lord our God,  
who sits enthroned on high,

<sup>6</sup> **but stoops to behold  
the heavens and the earth?**

<sup>7</sup> The Lord takes up the weak out of the dust  
and lifts up the poor from the ashes,

<sup>8</sup> **enthroning them with the rulers,  
with the rulers of the people.**

<sup>9</sup> The Lord makes the woman of a childless house  
to be a joyful mother of children. Hallelujah!