

# SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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*A Christ Caring People Who Gather Around Word and Sacrament,  
Yoked Together, In Personal Service to Christ in World Wide Missions*



## ✠ DIVINE SERVICE ✠

### OPENING HYMN

"Onward, Christian Soldiers"

(LSB 662)

### INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.  
**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

### EXHORTATION

- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** who made heaven and earth.  
**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
**C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.  
**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the gifts of our Lord Jesus Christ through Word and Sacrament, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

### CONFESSION *and* ABSOLUTION

- C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

† WORD †

**INTROIT**

*Ps. 91:2, 9-10; (antiphon: Ps. 91:1)*

- P** He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.
- C** I will say to the LORD, “My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.”
- P** Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place— The Most High, who is my refuge—
- C** no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent.
- C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P** He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

**KYRIE**



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.



## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



- C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## SALUTATION *and* COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## OLD TESTAMENT READING *Zechariah 9:9-12* (The Coming of Zion's King.)

*After the reading:*

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**ANTHEM** "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" (arr. Stephen DeCesare)  
Helen Kiepke, vocal soloist

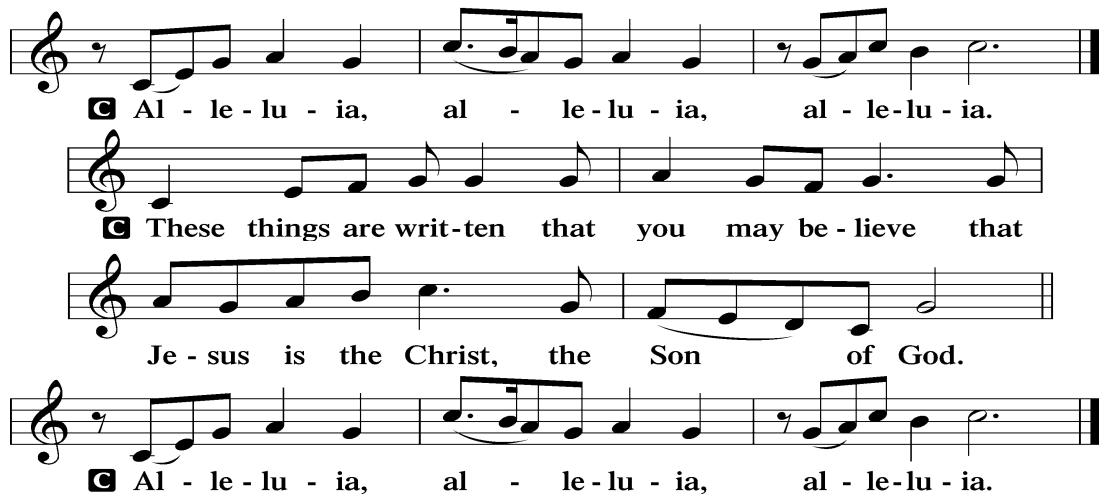
**EPISTLE** Romans 7:14-25a (Release from the law of sin)

*After the reading:*

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**ALLELUIA and VERSE**



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

**C** These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

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

**HOLY GOSPEL** Matthew 11:25-30 (The Father revealed in the Son)

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventh chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

*After the reading:*

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

**SERMON HYMN** "When Peace, like a River" (LSB 763)

**SERMON**

*"Do/Not Do"  
Pastor Sam Handschke*

*(Romans 7:14-25a)*

**THE CREED** 8:30 *Apostles' Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book*  
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*Lutheran Service Book*



**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Almighty God, You ensure that the birds are fed and the lilies clothed in splendor. Deliver us from worry with the consolation that You know what we need, and that, for Jesus' sake, we are of much more value than they. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Kindle in us, Holy Father, the gifts of Your Spirit, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Heavenly Father, fill our homes with Your Word and grace. Be the companion of those who are alone. Strengthen husbands and wives. Bless parents as they catechize their children. Let them all find refuge in You and so preserve them from every plague and evil. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Ruler of the nations, until You at last cut off the war horse and the chariot forever, give our nation's leaders wisdom and integrity to preserve peace, promote what is good, and defend against violence and wickedness. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** God of mercy, You set free those imprisoned on account of their sin to bear their sentence as a joyful custody of hope. Remember the incarcerated. Preserve them from greater evil, and foster in them repentance and trust in Your grace. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lord God, be with all who are weary and heavy-laden with the tribulations of this life. Give comfort to [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all who suffer illness. Console them with

the knowledge that Your yoke is easy and Your burden light, and that in You they will find rest for their souls. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lord God of Israel, You release Your people from the waterless pit by the blood of Your covenant. Bless all who receive Christ's body and blood with penitent hearts, trusting in Your promises and a common confession of faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** We give thanks to You, O Lord, for all the saints who, by Your grace, sought Your kingdom and righteousness above all other treasures. We pray that You would preserve us also in repentance and Christ's righteousness until we stand before You in glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

**C** **Amen.**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**C** **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.**

The 8:30 am service continues on page 10 with the Benediction.

**IN REGARD TO HOLY COMMUNION:** According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22; Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they **receive the true body and blood of Jesus** given and shed for the forgiveness of their sins (Luke 22:19-22).

Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully understand the meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to **please speak with our pastor**, before

communing, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

✠ **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT** ✠  
**11:00 am Service**

**PREFACE**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.


**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**SANCTUS**



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;

Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

**C** Amen.

### WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Matt 26:26–28; Mk 14:22–24; Lk 22:19–20; 1 Cor 11:23–25*

### PAX DOMINI

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

### AGNUS DEI

**C** 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 You take the sin of the world a - way;  
 You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of Je - sus  
 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*(Please be seated)*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

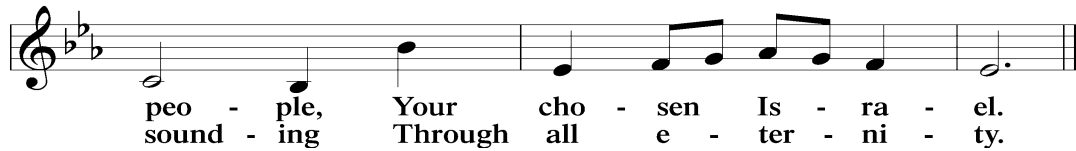
"Children of the Heav'nly Father" (LSB 725)

"How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds" (LSB 524)

*(Please stand)*

**NUNC DIMITTIS**

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
 glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;  
 A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
 to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -



**POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

- P** Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

**BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.
- P** 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 ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN**

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

(LSB 717)

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



**AS WE GATHER** "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion." When we hear these words of the prophet Zechariah in the season of Advent, we are evermore ready to rejoice, especially as Christmas approaches. But to hear these words now in the middle of summer may strike us as a little more challenging. The pressures and doldrums of daily life can wear away momentary joys. In fact, the call to rejoice can seem pointless echoing against

the hard walls of a prison of our own making. No matter how many Christmases we have celebrated, like the apostle Paul, we may continue to feel trapped by our unrelenting sinfulness. True joy comes only as we receive the comforting words of our Lord, "Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). Herein is the goal of Christmas. Here today by means of the Word of God and the receiving of His body and blood, God gives you faith to believe and to receive eternal salvation. By God's Word, even today "it's beginning to look a lot like Christmas." For here is where true joy is found.

Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the yellow prayer request card. Our Board of Elders are prayerful with our pastors about these joys and struggles of our earthly journey.

*"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16b*

**Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Sixth Sunday after Pentecost!** We are delighted to have you in worship with us. If you are visiting from out of town, we bid you welcome and God-speed on your journey. Should you be from our community, and have no church home, we invite you to make Faith your church home.

**Preaching today** is Reverend Samuel Handschke.

**Holy Communion** is celebrated at our 11:00 service this Sunday. In this Sacrament, our Lord gives His true body and blood for our forgiveness. Those who confess the faith declared at this altar and who desire to receive communion today are asked to read our communion statement found in the bulletin. Thank you.



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### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

**Wed., Jun. 28, Att. 22, Offering** \$25.00; **Sun., Jul. 2, Att. 211;** General Fund \$12,596.09; Building Fund \$425.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$900.00; Corder Family \$3,291.00; Endowment Fund in memory of Elaine Wagner (Blessings) \$200.00, Ruth Leidholt (Blessings) \$200.00, Marie McIntire (Blessings) \$200.00, Shirley English (Blessings) \$200.00, Doris Eberhard (Blessings) \$200.00, Richard Doud (Blessings) \$200.00, Olaf Larson (Blessings) \$200.00, Harlan Fransen (Blessings) \$200.00, Mal Hinckley (Blessings) \$200.00, Dale Hartmann

(Blessings) \$200.00; Janice Dockter (Future) \$75.00.

**Endowment Fund** There are lime green envelopes on the back side of the large center support post in the Narthex for your use. Donations do not have to be in memory of someone, they can be in celebration of an event in your lives, to the glory of God, or any number of happenings in your lives. The envelopes have an area where you can designate where you wish the funds to go. Please use a separate **check** for your donation. Please make the checks out to **Faith Lutheran Endowment Fund**. Where we deposit the funds does not take cash, so it needs to be in the **check** form. The counters cannot always find checks to cover when cash is given. Thanks for your help!

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**Sunday, August 27, 2023 at 4pm**

**Steamboat Park Amphitheater**

**Pulled Pork with all the fixin's**

**Music and food free & open to the public**

**Main Street Living** Did you know the Main Street Living program is broadcast throughout South Dakota and into bordering states on two TV stations: KDLT in Sioux Falls at 10:00 AM central and KEVN at 8:00 AM mountain in Rapid City? **Did you know** you can see the Worship Service and Kid's Crossing on our website at anytime? All programs are streamed on [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com), and are available the day before they are broadcast.

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*KDLT (NBC) channels 5.1 / 46.1*

**10:00 AM - "Jeremy"** - Deals with the relationship between a mother and a mentally challenged son who lives in a home.

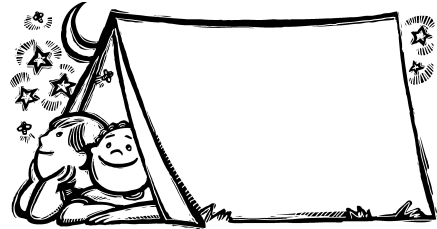
**10:30 AM** - Rev. Jacob Smith, pastor at St. Paul's-St. Paul's Lutheran Churches in Aberdeen-Leola, SD presents a message titled "Come To Me." This sermon is based on

Matthew 11:25-30. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. For more information visit: [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com)

**Life Quotes** “Announcing a pregnancy, feeling a fetus kick, cradling a newborn, attending a Baptism, what happens and what we experience defy description. Grieving and believing over a terminal diagnosis, listening to an aged neighbor’s wisdom and reminiscences, holding a loved one’s hand at a hospital bedside, singing hymns and reciting Scriptures as a relative enters eternity, the encounter exceeds even the beauty and power of words.” *Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

## Faith Lutheran Youth

**Circuit Bible Camp** Students who have **finished** grades 4-8 are invited to attend Circuit Bible Camp. Camp runs **July 24-26** and we will be tubing the Niobrara. Our theme is “**Shine like**



**Stars**”. We will swim, play, and eat delicious camp food. Cost: \$60, Faith will scholarship \$30 for each of our member students who wish to attend. Registration forms are on the oak table in the Narthex. Please sign up early. Let the office know so we can get the scholarship monies sorted out.

**Please be at the church by 8:00 am July 24<sup>th</sup> to load up and get ready to travel to the camp site.**



**Vacation Bible School** “God’s Living Water-Covered in Jesus’ Grace” is our theme for this year’s VBS. The dates for VBS are **August 6-10**. From 5-6 pm there will be a meal for all participants. Then from 6-8 pm will be

our VBS learning activities.



### ***This Week at Faith Lutheran***

**Today: July 9**

8:30 am Worship  
11:00 am Communion  
2:00 pm Board of Education  
7:00 pm Board of Elders  
7:30 pm Board of Missions

**Mon: Jul. 10**

7:00 pm LWML

**Tues: Jul. 11**

8:00 am Staff Devotions  
10:30 am Women’s Bible Study  
6:15 pm Bd. of Prop. Mgt.  
7:00 pm Berea Circle

**Wed: Jul. 12**

7:00 pm Chapel/Communion

8:00 pm LYF

**Thurs: Jul. 13**

8:00 am Staff Devotions

1:30 pm Lincoln Apts. Chapel

**Sun: Jul. 16**

8:30 am Communion

11:00 am Worship

1:00 pm Bds. of Stewardship  
and Endowment

5:00 pm Bd. of Education

5:00 pm Bd. of Parish  
Fellowship