

# TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST REFORMATION SUNDAY

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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

"By Grace I'm Saved"

(LSB 566)

### INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

### EXHORTATION

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** who made heaven and earth.
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

### CONFESSION *and* ABSOLUTION

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I 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. 9:1-2, 9-10; (antiphon: Ps. 9:18)*

**P** For the needy shall not always be forgotten,  
and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.

**C** I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;  
I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

**P** I will be glad and exult in you;  
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

**C** The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed,  
a stronghold in times of trouble.

**P** And those who know your name put their trust in you,  
For you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you.

**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** For the needy shall not always be forgotten,  
and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.

### KYRIE



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

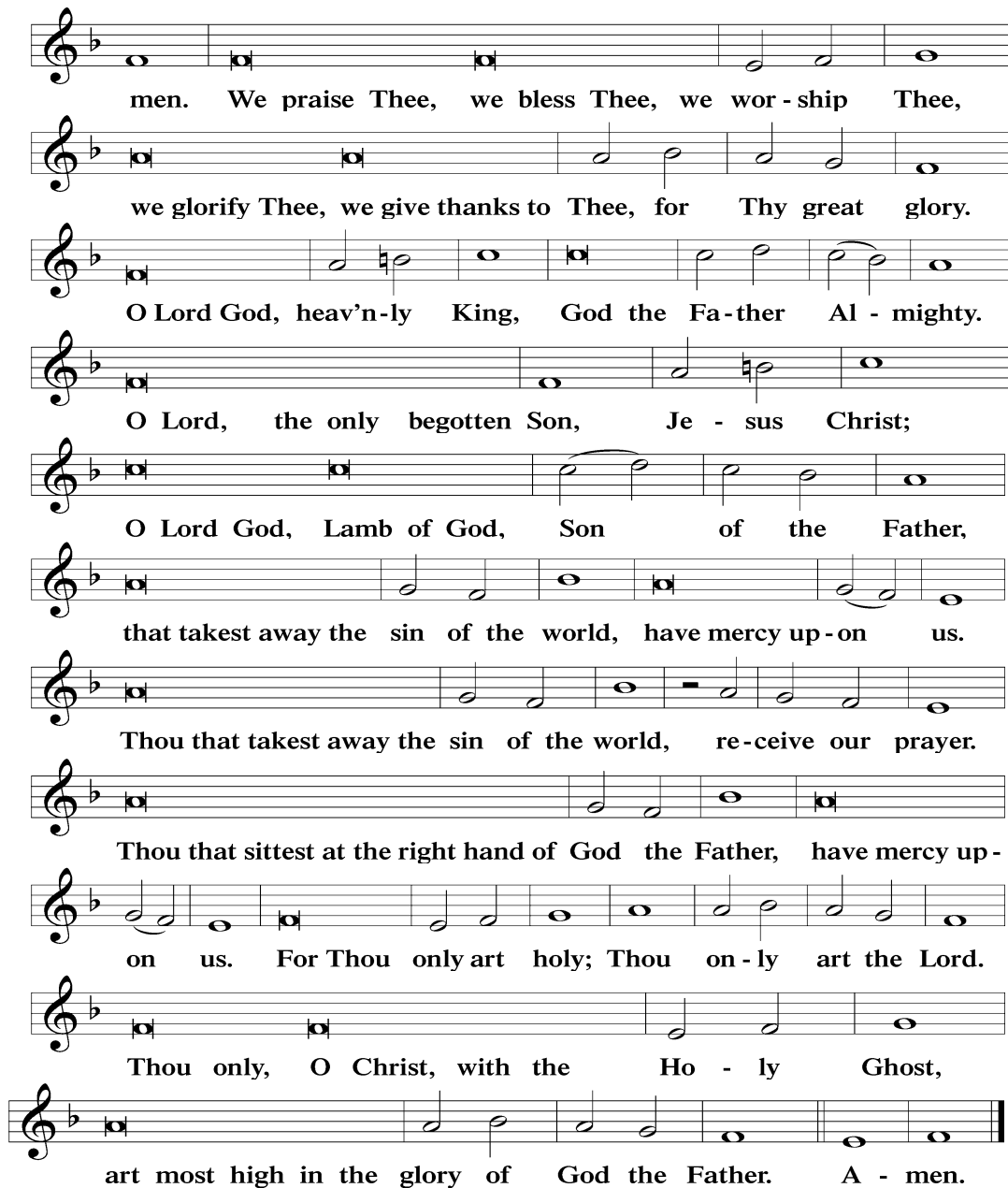


on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



**P** Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee,  
 we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
 O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.  
 O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.  
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.  
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-  
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

**SALUTATION *and* COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray. O God, You have commanded us to love You above all things and our neighbors as ourselves. Grant us the Spirit to think and do what is pleasing in Your sight, that our faith in You may never waver and our love for one another may not falter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*(Please be seated)*

**FIRST READING** *Revelation 14:6–7* (In a vision, John sees an angel who declares to all peoples and nations, “Fear God and give Him glory.”)

*After the reading:*

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**ANTHEM** “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” *(arr. Kyle Pederson)*  
Faith Choir

Accompanists: Jeanne Schweigert & Noel Clocksin

**EPISTLE** *Romans 3:19–28* (“We are justified by His grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.”)

*After the reading:*

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*(Please stand)*

**ALLELUIA**



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

**HOLY GOSPEL** *John 8:31–36* (Jesus declares that to believe in Him is to be truly free.)

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

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

*After the reading:*

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

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

*(Please be seated)*

## BIBLE LESSON

**SERMON HYMN** "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" (LSB 657)

**SERMON** "The Word of the Lord Endures Forever" (Isaiah 40:6-8)  
Pastor Sam Handschke

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## OFFERTORY



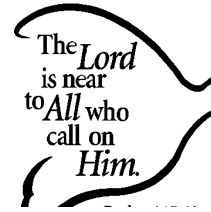
**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

## SHARING GOD'S PEACE

*(Please stand)*

## 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.



**P** Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, sustain Your Church. Deliver her from error and preserve in her the proclamation of Your Gospel, that it would resound to every nation, tribe, people and language and that all may fear and give You glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, bless all ministers of Your Word. Help them rightly to preach Your Law so that all are held accountable to You without excuse and joyfully proclaim Your Gospel, that all would know Jesus Christ as their Savior. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, look with compassion on all who are blind to the bondage of their sin. Open their eyes by the words of Jesus, and grant them the true freedom of sonship and a permanent place in Your household. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, make us truly Your disciples. Keep us in Your Word, free us from all errors, and make our homes and families peaceful. Preserve all fathers and encourage them for their godly task, that children would be brought up in the fear and instruction of the Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, bless all civil authorities, especially our president; Congress; and all who make, administer and judge our laws. Protect them from the temptations that beset their offices, and grant them wisdom and courage to serve with integrity. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, be near to all who cry to You for healing of body and soul [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_]. Grant them release from their afflictions according to Your will. Sustain their hope in the full and final healing that awaits them at the day of Christ's appearing. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, bless all who come to the altar to partake of Christ's own body and blood for the forgiveness of their sins. Grant them repentant hearts that seek to amend their lives, and by Your Spirit align them with Your will and purpose. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**P** Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, we give You thanks for all Your servants who have departed this life in faith. We especially bless You today for the great reformers of Your Church who call us back to the Gospel and to the righteousness we have in Christ alone. Keep us in fellowship with them, and bring us at last to our heavenly home to see our Redeemer face to face; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and 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.**

**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 ✠  
Both Services

**PREFACE**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

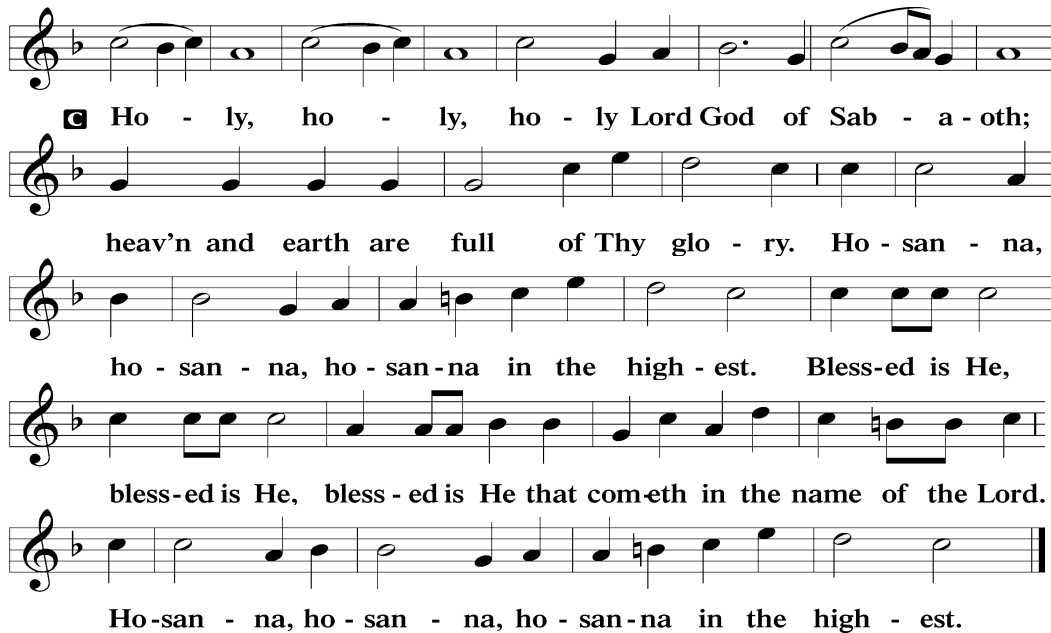
**C** We lift them up unto the Lord.

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

**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. 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;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



## WORDS OF OUR LORD

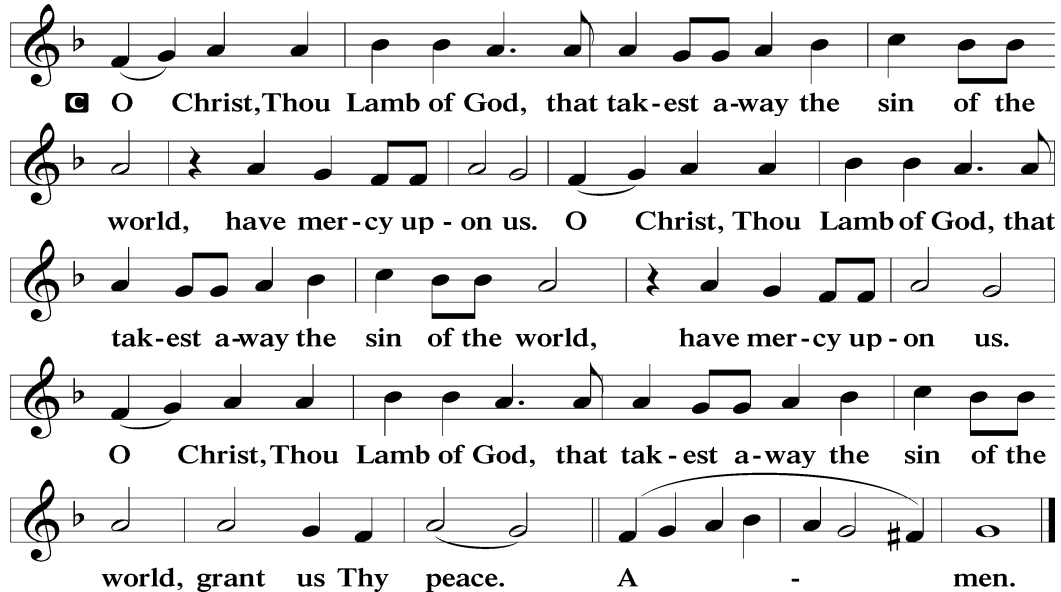
Matt 26:26–28; Mk 14:22–24; Lk 22:19–20; 1 Cor 11:23–25

### PAX DOMINI

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

**C** Amen.

### AGNUS DEI



**C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*(Please be seated)*

### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Amazing Grace"

(LSB 744)

"God Loved the World So That He Gave"

(LSB 571)

"Blessed Jesus, At Your Word"

(LSB 904)



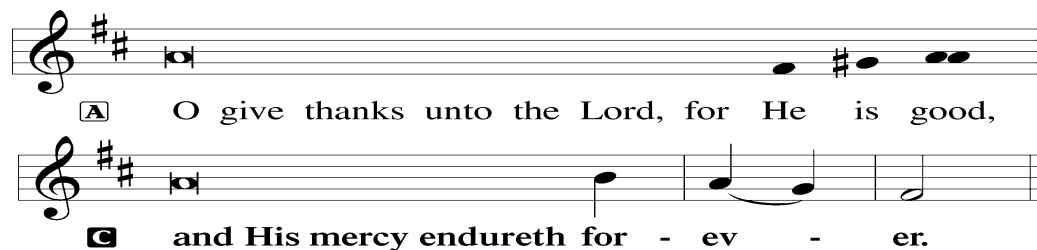
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## NUNC DIMITTIS



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-  
cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

## THANKSGIVING



**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

**P** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## SALUTATION

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

## BENEDICAMUS

**P** Bless we the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## BENEDICTION

*Numbers 6:24–26*

**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

“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast In Your Word”

(LSB 655)

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR REFORMATION SUNDAY



**AS WE GATHER** Reformation is a day to remember and celebrate that the Church founded by Jesus Christ is a living entity. Through the centuries, God has shaped the Church and then reshaped it, again and again, so that every generation may experience the Gospel in language it can understand. Throughout these changes, God has preserved His Word and Sacraments. Like the Church, we as individuals are in the process of being shaped by God. We are the clay. God is the potter. And just as He created us and all things, so one day in Christ will we and all

things be re-created, and all that is now misshapen or broken will be restored.

We are the clay, and You are our potter; we are all the work of Your hand. Isaiah 64:8

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 Reformation Sunday!** 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 Sam Handschke.

**Holy Communion** is celebrated at both services 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.



**Our Broadcasts** Our Sonrise radio broadcast and our Cable broadcast are sponsored this week by Mary Lou Dunwoody in memory of husband Dick's birthday. Thanks Mary Lou and may God continue to comfort you and bless you as you remember Dick.

**Want to listen to our worship service via livestream?** Go to: [www.faithluth.com](http://www.faithluth.com). Click on livestream and it will take you to the service or if you have missed the service it will take you to the archived services. We livestream our 8:30 service each Sunday.

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### **STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**Wed. Oct. 18, Att. 23;** Offering \$210.00; **Sun., Oct. 22, Att. 237;** General Fund \$7,125.43; Sunday School Offering \$12.00; Building Fund \$100.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$1,950.00; Broadcasts \$60.00; HVAC \$50.00; SD Auditor Daycare Incentive Program Grant \$870.45; LWML Reimburse for Country Fair Rolls; Forever Young \$74.00; Shrub Planting Donation \$100.00; Endowment Fund (Generations) \$200.00, (Blessings) \$300.00, (Foundations) \$40.00.

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**Bible Studies** There is still time to join one of our adult Bible Studies.

**Sundays** between Worship services, **9:45-10:45**, in the St. Matthew (LWML) Room, we are studying the *Gospel of Luke*. On **Sunday evenings**, at **6:30**, the *1, 2, 3 John* study continues in the Living Room.

**Mondays**

**7:30 pm** *The book of Acts* **639 N Euclid Ave** for Middle & High School Youth

**Tuesday mornings**

**9:30-11:00** *The Truth Project* in the home of Vona Johnson, call for directions 605-280-7565

**10:30-11:30** *Unshakable* in the Young Conference Room

**Wednesday evenings**

**6:00-7:00** *Luke* (Round two) for those who missed Sunday or Wed. works better

**6:00-7:00** *The Engagement Project* at the church

**6:30** *John* takes place in homes. Contact David Zuercher 605-222-8424 for more information

**Thursday evenings**

**6:00-7:00** *Reading the Psalms* in the Living Room at church.

**Trunk ‘N’ Treat** October 31, the Day of Reformation, brings a very fun night to Faith Lutheran. It is our Trunk ‘N’ Treat night. We circle up the cars, vans, and pickups to distribute candy and other treats to hundreds of children. The Board of Missions and Evangelism will have a special gift for all those kids again this year. We are looking for at least 20 “Trunks” for this event. When you run out of candy more will be furnished for you compliments of our Faith family donors. The sign-up sheet is on the information table in the Narthex. Circle up around **5-5:30 pm**. Event from **6:00-7:30**.



With a grateful heart I thank everyone who donated items for the hygiene kits for the Guatemala Mission Project. Your generous gifts made it possible for many kits to be made. With a saddened heart I must announce that this Mission trip had to be canceled because of much unrest in the Country of Guatemala. The hygiene kits will be used for missions as

Most Ministries are working on scheduling dates for other mission trips in 2024. God’s blessings to all. Pat Huisman

**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.

**Oct. 29, 2023** KDLT (NBC) channels 5.1 / 46.1

**10:00 AM - "The Sexton"** - A pastor and a sexton (church caretaker) with magical powers fight an eerie duel in a church.

**10:30 AM** - Guest presenter to be announced. 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** "On this Reformation weekend, let's rekindle our commitment to be faithful to the God who both preserves and redeems this world in His ways. And let's remind ourselves of the blessings that come from following Him in all things, now and forever." Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz, Executive Director of the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)

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

**Today: Oct. 29**

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School/*Luke* Study

11:00 am Communion

6:30 pm *1, 2, 3 John* Bible Study

**Mon: Oct. 30**

6:00 pm Church Council

**Tues: Oct. 31**

8:00 am Staff Devotions

9:30 am *Truth Project*

10:30 am *Unshakable Study*

6:00-7:30 pm Trunk 'N' Treat

**Wed: Nov. 1**

6:00 pm Midweek/Catechism

6:00 pm *Luke* Bible Study

6:00 pm *Engagement Project*

6:30 pm *John* Study (in homes)

7:00 pm Chapel/Communion

8:00 pm LYF

**Thurs: Nov. 2**

8:00 am Staff Devotions

5:30-7:30 pm MOPS

6:00 pm *Reading the Psalms*

**Sat: Nov. 4 Turn Clocks Back 1 Hour**

**Sun: Nov. 5 All Saints' Sunday**

8:30 am Communion

9:30 am First Sunday Fellowship

9:45 am Sunday School/*Luke* Study

11:00 am Worship

5:00 pm Board of Parish Fellowship

6:00 pm Board of Elders

6:30 pm *1, 2, 3 John* Bible Study

# Faith Lutheran Youth

**Early Communion Class** – students who are interested in receiving communion early may come for a class on **Monday, November 13 from 6:30-8:00PM**. We will cover what communion is and what benefits we receive from it. After the class, students may begin receiving communion. Please contact Pastor Sam if you are interested in attending this class.

**Midweek/Catechism** classes continue each Wednesday at 6:00 pm. This is for **ALL** our 2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders.

**Bible Bowl 2024** We received word from the South Dakota LCMS district on the 2024 Bible Bowl. The books of the Bible are Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon. Students from sixth grade to seniors are eligible to participate. The statewide competition is before Palm Sunday. For more information or to register please see Bible Bowl coach LeRoy Kropuenske. He is around on Sunday for Sunday School and Wednesday for confirmation.

## **Middle and High School Bible Study**

**What:** Bible Study for middle/high school youth on the book of Acts

**Why:** To provide a gospel focused community for teens from all walks of life and to help them to grow in their relationship with God and encouragement of one another.

**Where:** The Church House - **639 N. Euclid**

**When:** Mondays at 7:30pm

Invite your friends and bring your Bible to come learn what God has to say through the book of Acts!

Contact Cassandra Ryckman (605-222-4895) or Peter Iverson (605-645-0951) if you are interested or have any questions. Look forward to having you attend!

### **On the Lighter Side:**

**Q: What kind of music do mummies like?**

A: "wrap music"

**Q: Why did the rooster cross the road?**

A: To prove he wasn't chicken.