

# THE FIFTEENTH 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*



## T DIVINE SERVICE T

### OPENING HYMN

"Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds"

(LSB 867)

### INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C Amen.

### 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**

## T WORD T

### INTROIT

*Ps. 51:7, 10-12; (antiphon: Ps. 51:2)*

- P Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
and cleanse me from my sin!
- C **Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**
- P Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.
- C **Cast me not away from your presence,  
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.**
- P Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
and uphold me with a willing spirit.
- 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 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
and cleanse me from my sin!

### KYRIE



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



## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



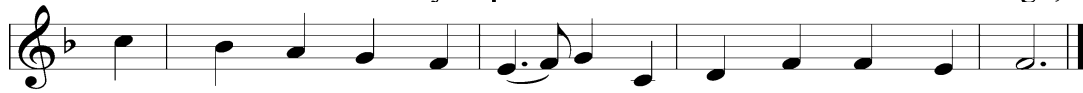
1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



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.

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## SALUTATION *and* COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; 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** *Deuteronomy 4:1–2, 6–9* (Do not forget all that God has done; teach your children.)

*After the reading:*

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM**

“God Be in My Head” (Sarum Missal, arr. Hal Hopson)  
Randy Hartmann, vocal soloist

**EPISTLE** *Ephesians 6:10–20* (Be certain about teachings and put on the armor of God.)

*After the reading:*

- L This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

**ALLELUIA and VERSE**

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

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

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

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

**HOLY GOSPEL** *Mark 7:14–23* (People are not defiled by what they eat but by what comes out of their hearts and mouths.)

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, 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** “By Grace I’m Saved, Grace Free and Boundless” (LSB 566)

**SERMON** “Flesh and Blood” (*Ephesians 6:12*)  
Pastor Sam Handschke

**THE CREED** 8:30 Nicene Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book  
11:00 Apostles' Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book

## THE OFFERING AND GREETING OF ONE ANOTHER

### 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.

Heavenly Father, be near us with Your Word and Spirit. Guide and lead us, that we may not stray from the way of Your commandments nor forget the wonderful blessings that You have given to us. Direct us always with Your Word of truth. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Remember, kind Father, the preachers of Your Word. Keep them from adding to it or taking from it. Give them grace to proclaim Your whole counsel in Christ Jesus. Raise up new laborers for Your harvest fields, and prosper Your Law and promises throughout the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P God of all knowledge and wisdom, grant us to know You and Your love. Bless pastors and teachers, parents and grandparents, and all teachers of the faith, that we may grow up into You. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Almighty God, look with compassion on our nation and all who bear public office. Give them wisdom, courage and integrity. Destroy and hinder in our common life whatever is not pleasing to You, and bless and prosper whatever accords with Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Lord of life, bring health and healing to Your people. We pray for everyone in need of Your mercy today [*including* \_\_\_\_\_]. Strengthen them with Your Word of grace, that they would look to You for comfort in the midst of suffering and pain.

Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Holy Father, we thank You that Christ has given His body and blood into death for our forgiveness. Bless us as we receive this same body and blood in His Holy Sacrament, remembering and proclaiming with joy the salvation He accomplished for us in His death and resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, heavenly Father, we offer You our thanks and praise for Your servants who have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labors. Bring us with them to the unspeakable joys of Your new heavens and new earth at the day of our Savior's glorious appearing. Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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 11:00 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.

**T SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT T**  
**8:30 Service**

**PREFACE**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

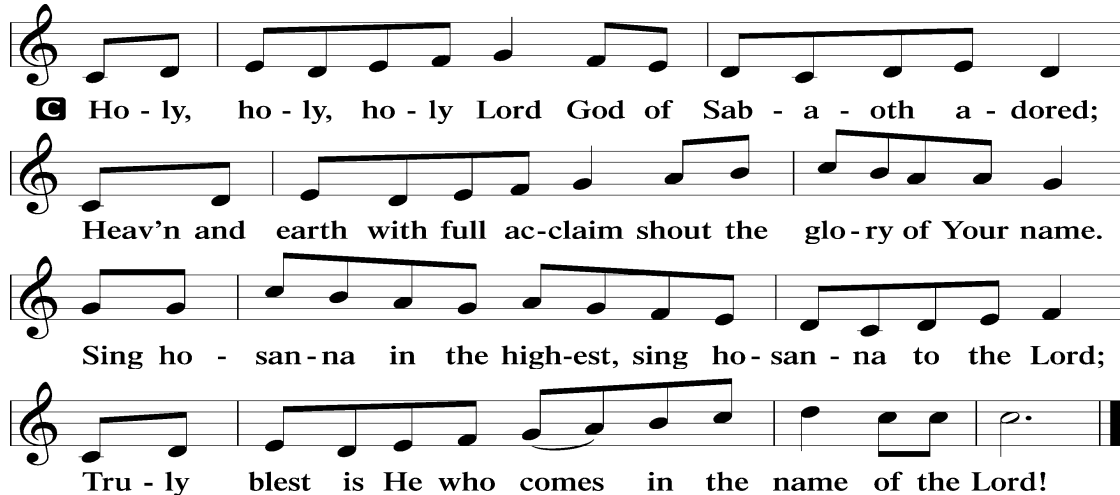
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

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**



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

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 God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*(Please be seated)*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

- "Your Table I Approach" (LSB 628)
- "God's Own Child I Gladly Say It" (LSB 594)
- "Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear" (LSB 908)



*(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 -  
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

## 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 T give you peace.



☐ A-men, a-men, a - men.

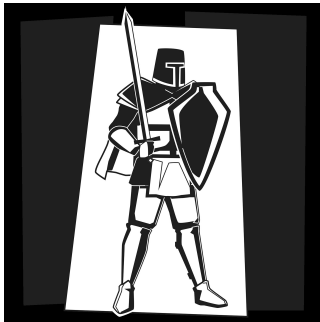
## CLOSING HYMN

“Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”

(LSB 924)

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



**AS WE GATHER** The Holy Gospel for today is about why the dietary laws never saved anyone and is a warning about what we think or say. The Old Testament Reading provides a warning against not passing on the teachings to the next generation. The Good News of the Gospel is most clearly found in the Epistle, which clearly tells us to rely on the armor God provides, not ourselves, so that we can stand up in this evil age. That we shall do in song and speech today, asking God's help for the coming week.

Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. *Ephesians 6:11*

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the back of the blue attendance/communion 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 Fifteenth 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** this morning is Rev. Sam Handschke.

**Holy Communion** is celebrated at our 8:30 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. Aug. 21, Att. 65, Offering** \$490.00; **Sun. Aug. 25, Att. 382, Offering** \$8,128.27; Sunday School \$0.00; Building Fund \$0.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$2,000.00; Endowment Fund (Generations) \$154.13; Endowment Fund in memory of Dale Kiepke (Blessings) \$20.00.

**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. Where we deposit the funds does not take cash, so **it needs to be in the form of a check**. The counters cannot always find checks to cover when cash is given. Thanks for your help!

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**The Blood Drive** that was originally scheduled for August 8<sup>th</sup> has been re-scheduled for Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup> from 7:30am to 12pm at the church. Contact Jodi Hartmann (605-222-8675) for appointments.



**Fred Marso** The family of Fred Marso invite you to participate in a “card shower” for Fred's 90th Birthday. He will be 90 on September 7<sup>th</sup>. We've been blessed with this great husband and dad and we know he'd like to hear from his Faith friends.

**Address: 617 N Highland Ave Pierre SD**

Thank You, Anita, John, and Jennifer & Steve.

**Grief Support Group** Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one at a GriefShare group, you'll find understanding, guidance, relief, and a safe place to navigate the challenges of grief. Come join us! Community Bible Church on North Harrison Ave. **Starts Sunday, September 8, 2024 2:00-4:00pm, 13 week session.** Contact Char Russell, Carol Gengler, Scott Granville, Nancy Thomsen, or Marc Scarborough, for more information. Find more information at [griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org).

**Bible Studies** Our Bible studies will be starting in the next couple of weeks. Our Luke Unit 3 study will begin on Rally Day, Sept. 8 at 9:45am. Marv Schweigert's study on 1 & 2 Peter will begin on Sunday, Sept. 8 at 6:30 pm. Reading the Psalms will continue on Monday, Sept. 9 at 6PM.



**Men's Club** Our Men's Club will be getting together September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7PM (one week later than usual due to the Labor Day holiday). We will be playing some Dartball, so start honing your throwing skills and be ready for some friendly competition! Bring a snack to share, beverage will be provided. Always a great time of fellowship!

### **CREATION MUSEUM + ARK ENCOUNTER**

**Motor Coach Tour Dates: *October 20-25, 2024***

You will be amazed at how the Bible comes to life at the Creation Museum and the Ark Encounter!

Travel via Faith Motor Coach. **Tentative**

**Itinerary: Day 1-2:** Travel to Kentucky, **Day 3:**

Tour Creation Museum, Petersburg, KY, **Day 4:**

Tour Ark Encounter at Williamstown, KY, **Day 5-6:** Travel to Pierre, SD. Bus travel cost per person \$200. Deposit required. Museum and Ark tickets will be reserved and



reimbursed. We would also like to reserve a block of rooms by Aug. 31. Room costs will vary based on occupants and meals paid individually. **Please sign up as soon as possible.** See [www.faithluth.com/arktrip/](http://www.faithluth.com/arktrip/) for details.

**NEEDED: Gift items for the popular gift baskets that will be sold again at this year's Country Fair. Please label "For Gift Baskets" and leave in the big coat closet in the Narthex by September 30<sup>th</sup>.**

- Cute notepads
- Kitchen items such as dish towels, dish cloths, potholders, measuring cups & spoons, ladles & wooden spoons
- Cups & mugs
- Hand soaps, lotions & candles that will fit in a gift basket
- Playing cards
- Assorted candy (wrapped), jerky, packages of trail mix, individual packets of coffee, hot cocoa & tea, South Dakota popcorn items
- Small kids' items that will fit in a basket
- Golf balls, tees, & golf towels
- Other small gift items that will fit in a basket

**Thanks!**

**Higher Things Conference 2025** The mission of Higher Things is to make the Gifts of Christ Jesus known to youth and young adults. The closest *All Things New* conference will be July 8-11, 2025 at Concordia University Nebraska, Seward, NE. Everlasting life belongs to all who believe...one day. But for us, some days, that day feels far away. Like it'll never come...like it's been made for someone other than you. Live a steadfast faith today no matter what things look like because you rest on a yesterday that was made whole on the cross. Realize that God hates the same things you war against too, but he has already won the victory...the victory that makes *All Things New*.

**Main Street Living** "Main Street Living" is a liturgical worship service broadcasting a different local pastor each Sunday morning. It airs along with the classic Lutheran Hour program, "This is the Life." Both can be viewed on KDLT (NBC) & KEVN (FOX) Visit [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) to view current and past episodes. **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 - “Like Father Like Son”** - A father’s example leads to his son making questionable choices at school.

**10:30 AM - Rev. Jeffrey Williams**, pastor at Trinity Lutheran Church in Slayton, MN, presents a message titled “Whatever's Written in Your Heart.” This sermon is based on Mark 7:14-23. 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** “May we all faithfully live out our sojourn on this earth, however long it may be, in anticipation of the New Creation, the end of our earthly sorrows, and our final Resurrection of body and soul to live with our Lord in righteousness and purity forever.” *Deaconess Bethany Stoeber, Director-at-Large, LFL of Kansas – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

## Faith Lutheran Youth

### *Looking Ahead*

**Sunday School** begins September 8 from 9:45-10:45AM. This class time is focused on sharing God’s story with the students. They will learn about the various people involved in this story, men and women from the Old and New Testament.

We also invite students in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade through 8<sup>th</sup> grade to **Midweek/Catechism** classes. Classes will begin Wednesday, Sept 11, from 6:00-6:45PM. This time is focused on the teachings which God gives in His Word.

Both of these times, Sunday School and Midweek/Catechism, are focused on different yet complementary aspects of God and His Word. Students are encouraged to attend *both* classes.

### *This Week at Faith Lutheran*

**Today: Sept. 1**

8:30 am Communion

9:30 am First Sunday Fellowship

11:00 am Worship

**Mon: Sept. 2 LABOR DAY**

OFFICE CLOSED

**Tues: Sept. 3**

8:00 am Staff Devotions

10:30 am Women’s Bible Study

6:30 pm Mary/Martha Circle

**Wed: Sept. 4**

7:00 pm Chapel/Communion

8:00 pm LYF

**Thurs: Sept. 5**

8:00 am Staff Devotions

6:00 pm Church Council

**Fri: Sept. 6**

7:30-12:30 Blood Drive

**Sun: Sept. 8**

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School/Luke Study

9:45 am Board of Missions-Young Rm

11:00 am Communion  
5:00 pm Board of Parish Fellowship

6:00 pm Board of Elders  
6:30 pm 1 & 2 Peter (Schweigert group)