

Faith Lutheran Church



September 14, 2025

WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

Please sign the guest register in the entry
as you leave the church today.

TODAY'S SERVICE

September 14th, 2025

Liturgy: Common Service

Speaker: Pastor Matthew Ude

Organist: Lila Brown

PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 119:169-176

¹⁶⁹ TAU. Let my cry come before You, O LORD; Give me understanding according to Your word. ¹⁷⁰ Let my supplication come before You; Deliver me according to Your word. ¹⁷¹ My lips shall utter praise, For You teach me Your statutes. ¹⁷² My tongue shall speak of Your word, For all Your commandments *are* righteousness. ¹⁷³ Let Your hand become my help, For I have chosen Your precepts. ¹⁷⁴ I long for Your salvation, O LORD, And Your law is my delight. ¹⁷⁵ Let my soul live, and it shall praise You; And let Your judgments help me. ¹⁷⁶ I have gone astray like a lost sheep; Seek Your servant, For I do not forget Your commandments.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#606 O'er the Distant Mountains Breaking

INVOCATION

p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

p Beloved of God: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

all Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my

thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. for this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



p God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



p In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Glory be to God on high,

and on earth peace, good will toward men,

We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you,

we glorify you, we give thanks to you, for your great glory

O Lord God, heav'nly King God the Father al - mighty,

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.



You take away the sin of the world; re-cieve our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father;



have mercy on us, For you only are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord.



You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,



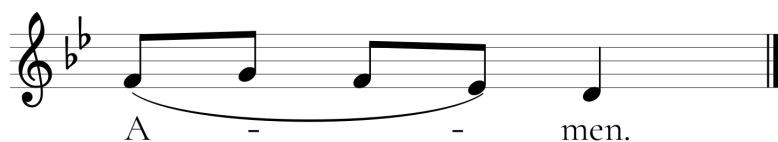
are most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

p The Lord be with you.



And al - so with you.

p Let us pray . . . Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

Ezekiel 34:11-24 ¹¹ 'For thus says the Lord GOD: "Indeed I Myself will search for My sheep and seek them out. ¹² "As a shepherd seeks out his flock on the day he is among his scattered sheep, so will I seek out My sheep and deliver them from all the places where they were scattered on a cloudy and dark day. ¹³ "And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land; I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, in the valleys and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴ "I will feed them in good pasture, and their fold shall be on the high mountains of Israel.

There they shall lie down in a good fold and feed in rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵ "I will feed My flock, and I will make them lie down," says the Lord GOD. ¹⁶ "I will seek what was lost and bring back what was driven away, bind up the broken and strengthen what was sick; but I will destroy the fat and the strong, and feed them in judgment." ¹⁷ 'And *as for* you, O My flock, thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, I shall judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and goats. ¹⁸ *Is it* too little for you to have eaten up the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the residue of your pasture-- and to have drunk of the clear waters, that you must foul the residue with your feet? ¹⁹ "And *as for* My flock, they eat what you have trampled with your feet, and they drink what you have fouled with your feet." ²⁰ 'Therefore thus says the Lord GOD to them: "Behold, I Myself will judge between the fat and the lean sheep. ²¹ "Because you have pushed with side and shoulder, butted all the weak ones with your horns, and scattered them abroad, ²² "therefore I will save My flock, and they shall no longer be a prey; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. ²³ "I will establish one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them-- My servant David. He shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴ "And

I, the LORD, will be their God, and My servant David a prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

1 Timothy 1:12-17 ¹² And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting *me* into the ministry, ¹³ although I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man; but I obtained mercy because I did *it* ignorantly in unbelief. ¹⁴ And the grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant, with faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. ¹⁶ However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life. ¹⁷ Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, *be* honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

p Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!



THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

#465 Christ Is Our Corner-Stone

SERMON

Luke 15:1-10 Then all the tax collectors and the sinners drew near to Him to hear Him. ² And the Pharisees and scribes complained, saying, "This Man receives sinners and eats with them." ³ So He spoke this parable to them, saying: ⁴ "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and go after the one which is lost until he finds it? ⁵ "And when he has found *it*, he lays *it* on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶ "And when he comes home, he calls together *his* friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost!' ⁷ "I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance. ⁸ "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds *it*? ⁹ "And when she has found *it*, she calls *her* friends and neighbors together, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the piece which I lost!' ¹⁰ "Likewise, I say to you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

JESUS SEES ME AS A SHEEP TO BE SAVED

We have a tendency to see people as good or bad, sinner or saint. We are all lost sheep. Jesus alone is one thing. He is our one good shepherd who came for us the lost sheep. He sees us as sheep to be saved.

(worksheet page 18)





Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and
 take not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re - store un-to
 me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up-
 hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men.

#339:1-3 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Offering Hymn #441:1,2

We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be, all
 that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
 May we Thy bounties thus, as stewards true receive, and
 gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first fruits give

Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

all 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 BENEDICTION

p The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



#47 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

9am Worship Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15 am Bible Class

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

2pm Bible Class

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

3:45 Catechism

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

9 am Worship Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15 am Bible Class

6 pm Women of Faith

FRUITS OF FAITH

General Fund- \$ 2578

Missions - \$ 55

Sunday Service – 65

Sunday School – 12

Bible Class - 15

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

BL Lillo, Jim Brown,
Mitch Newton, Carter Newton

COUNTER

This Week Team # 4

Lynn Dumke, Randy Strelow

Next Week Team # 5

John Bobek, Keith Dickerson

VISIT OF RAJU

Pastor Raju Bhitrahohti will be visiting on September 24. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. If enough people are interested, we will have a presentation on Wednesday evening. Otherwise, we will skip it, and he will only do a presentation for the kids Thursday morning.

FAITH SCHOOL CLOTHING

Available until 9/21 at the following link:

<https://cvsports.chipply.com/faithschool>

WOMEN'S RETREAT WEST

September 19 - 21, 2025

Sioux Falls, SD

WomensRetreat.clclutheran.net

WOMEN OF FAITH

Women of Faith, please mark your calendars for our upcoming meeting on Sunday, September 21 at 6:00 PM. We will be kicking off our Women of Faith reboot on a Sunday evening in order to welcome special speaker, Chris Gerbitz. A complete schedule for the year will be determined at our first meeting. Along with our Bible study we will have some light refreshments.

"Let Your Light Shine" will be the theme of Chris' presentation, based on Matthew 5:16.

MANUP

September 25-28 at Wyalusing
More information on the bulletin board.

MOWING

Signup sheet for mowing on the bulletin board.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Amos 8:4-7
Psalm 113
1 Tim. 2:1-15
Luke 16:1-15

CALL NEWS

Pastor Drew Naumann of Trinity Ev. Lutheran, Spokane, WA, has accepted the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.

Pastor Ben Libby of Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Church, Cheyenne, WY, has received the call to Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI.

DEDICATION

Mt. Zion Lutheran Church will dedicate their new church property (510 W. Girard Ave., Madison Heights, MI, 48071) on Sunday, September 14, at 4:00pm.

Zion Lutheran Church (formerly of Ipswich, SD) will dedicate their new church building (1223 4th Ave SW, Aberdeen, SD) on Sunday, October 26, at 5:00pm.

INSTALLATION

On Sunday, September 14, 2025, Pastor David Ude will be installed at St. Stephen Lutheran Church, Mountain View, CA.

Sermon Worksheet - Luke 15:1-10

Who are the lost sheep?

What gives God joy?

How important are we to God?

How did the Pharisees see the tax collectors?

How did Jesus see the tax collectors?

How should we see one another?

How should we see Jesus?



FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Member of the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC)

N1529 State Road 73 Markesan, WI 53946

www.MarkesanLutheran.org

CHURCH & SCHOOL DIRECTORY

PASTOR MATTHEW UDE

pastor@markesanlutheran.com

(920) 398-0260

REBECCA LILLO

Grades 3-5

(262) 271-6129

SCHOOL OFFICE

principal@markesanlutheran.com

(920) 398-3171

KAREN SWYTER

Grades K-2

(715) 379-8520

JESSICA KRUEGER

Grades 6-8

(920) 369-8113

ALISON BROWN

Pre-School

(920) 229-9854

Hymns and liturgical settings under copyright are used by permission through Concordia Publishing House License #000014029, OneLicense.net #A-717140. All Rights reserved. Used by permission. Unless otherwise indicated, Scriptures quoted are from the New King James Version® of the Holy Bible, ©1982 by Thomas Nelson, Inc. Used by permission. All rights reserved.