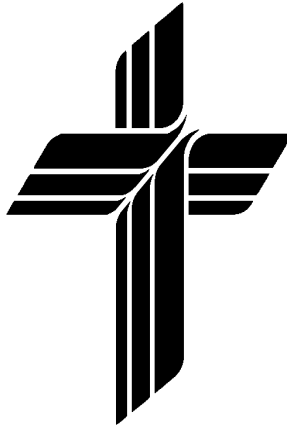


FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

La Crosse, Wisconsin
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

Second Sunday After Pentecost
June 14, 2020



Our purpose: Faith Lutheran Church exists to share with all, God's love through Christ and His promise of salvation!

As We Gather... You may notice a change in décor in our church. The cloths (paraments) have turned green! Green is the color all around us: the grass, the trees, and the plants in our garden bed. Green is the color of growth. This time of the church year are the Sundays after Pentecost. It is a time of growth and mission in the church as we hear from Jesus and are sent out to share with others. So too, this season kicks off with Jesus sending his disciples out on a "mission trip." The harvest is plentiful but the laborers are few. As we walk outside to see a sea of green all around us, remember that Christ is also calling us to be workers in his mission field!

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571 God Loved the World So That He Gave

sts. 1, 6



1 God loved the world so that He gave His on - ly
△ 6 Glo - ry to God the Fa - ther, Son, And Ho - ly



Son the lost to save, That all who would in
Spir - it, Three in One! To You, O bless - ed



Him be - lieve Should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.
Trin - i - ty, Be praise now and e - ter - nal - ly!

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Opening Versicles

Common

LSB 260

- L** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.

- L** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- C** I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- L** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- C** Teach me Your paths.
- L** Sanctify us in Your truth.
- C** Your Word is truth.

- L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.

- 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.

Introit

Psalm 67:4–7; antiphon: v. 3

P Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

C Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

P Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

C The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.

P God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

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 Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 19:2–8

L A reading from Exodus, the nineteenth chapter.

²[The people of Israel] set out from Rephidim and came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, ³while Moses went up to God. The LORD called to him out of the mountain, saying, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: ⁴You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. ⁵Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; ⁶and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel.” ⁷So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. ⁸All the people answered together and said, “All that the LORD has spoken we will do.” And Moses reported the words of the people to the LORD.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Romans 5:6–15

A The Old Testament Reading is from Romans, chapter 5.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation. ¹²Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through

sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—¹³for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come. ¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 9:35—10:20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the ninth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁵Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." ¹And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. ²The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. ⁵These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷And proclaim as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' ⁸Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay. ⁹Acquire no gold nor silver nor copper for your belts, ¹⁰no bag for your journey, nor two tunics nor sandals nor a staff, for the laborer deserves his food. ¹¹And whatever town or village you enter, find out who is worthy in it and stay there until you depart. ¹²As you enter the house, greet it. ¹³And if the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. ¹⁴And if anyone will not receive you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet when you leave that house or town. ¹⁵Truly, I say to you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah than for that town. ¹⁶"Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. ¹⁷Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you in their synagogues, ¹⁸and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. ¹⁹When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you

are to say will be given to you in that hour. ²⁰For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Common

LSB 263

L Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Ten Commandments

C You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor’s house.

You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Apostles’ Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence 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.**

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.**

Luther's Small Catechism

P The Third Commandment

C Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

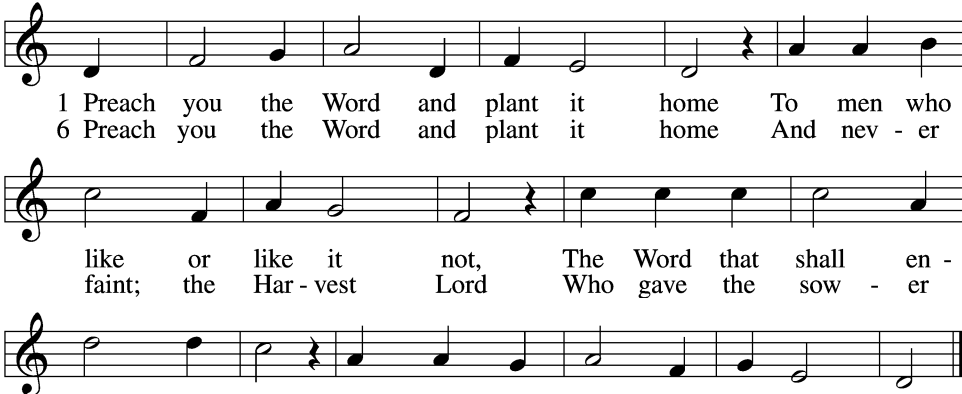
P What does this mean?

C We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

Sermon

586 Preach You the Word

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1 Preach you the Word and plant it home To men who
6 Preach you the Word and plant it home And nev - er

like; or like it not, The Word that shall en -
faint; the Har - vest Lord Who gave the sow - er

ture and stand When flow'rs and men shall be for - got.
seed to sow Will watch and tend His plant-ed Word.

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Prayer of the Church

Collect of the Day

- L** Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of Your apostles and prophets You have proclaimed to us Your saving will. Grant us faith to believe Your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Collect for the Word

- L** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Morning Prayer

- C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

Benedicamus

LSB 267

- L** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

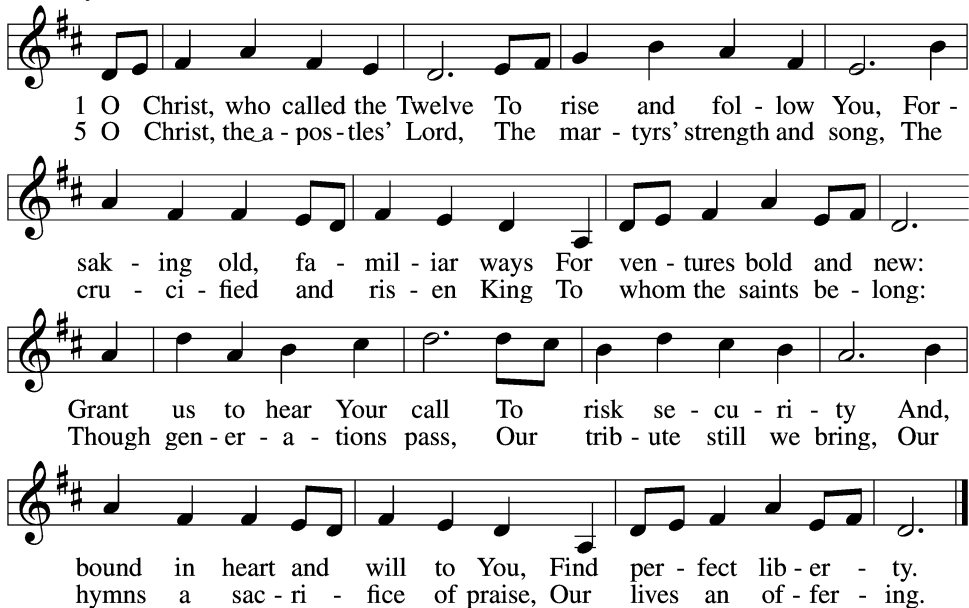
Benediction

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- L** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
- C** Amen.

856 O Christ, Who Called the Twelve

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1 O Christ, who called the Twelve To rise and fol - low You, For -
5 O Christ, the a - pos - tles' Lord, The mar - tyrs' strength and song, The
sak - ing old, fa - mil - iar ways For ven - tures bold and new:
cru - ci - fied and ris - en King To whom the saints be - long:
Grant us to hear Your call To risk se - cu - ri - ty And,
Though gen - er - a - tions pass, Our trib - ute still we bring, Our
bound in heart and will to You, Find per - fect lib - er - ty.
hymns a sac - ri - fice of praise, Our lives an of - fer - ing.

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Verse to Ponder

Matthew 9:37–38

³⁷Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few;
³⁸therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

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Worship Guidelines and Safe Distancing

New service times will be Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., and Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Wednesday will serve as the recording service for the Sunday broadcast, and as such, the organ music will be from a computer so that the recording software can better capture the music. There will be no formal limits to attendance, but Pastor is hoping that any given service will have 50 or less people with overflow room in the Student Center once the sanctuary reaches 50. To that end, please consider attending service at a time you might normally not such as Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. or Sunday at 8:00 a.m. The logic is to try to spread out attendance evenly between each service.

The reopening of businesses and other organizations doesn't mean that COVID-19 has been defeated, and it's entirely possible we may see a resurgence in the coming months. Thus, it is important to take this illness seriously and engage in practices that prevent the spread of disease. To this end, services will look different as you attend worship. Here are the details:

1. If you have a cloth facemask, please bring it along to church to wear!
2. I hope this goes without saying, but if you're feeling sick, please stay home! Please contact Pastor Eichers if you're sick, He would love to pray with you.
3. If weather permits, we will prop open the doors to minimize the touching of door handles. Otherwise, let someone like an usher let you in the building.
4. There will be hand sanitizer pumps as you enter the building, please make use of these to clean your hands upon entry. If you are in need of a mask, we can assist you in locating one.
5. Please help yourself to a bulletin, the ushers will not be handing them out like they did before.
6. The offerings will be collected at the door in a wooden box. There will be no passing of the plates.
7. Once you arrive, please find seating at your earliest convenience. It is important that we do not congregate in places like the lobby or hallways. Use this time to pray before service!
8. For the time being, we're starting a BYOB policy at church. Namely, a "bring your own Bible" policy. Pew hymnals and Bibles will be temporarily removed, although the readings and order of service will be printed out in the bulletins. If you would like to borrow a hymnal that you can take home and back to church throughout this time, please contact Pastor Eichers so he can make a record of it.

9. Please sit in a pew six feet or more apart from the next household. This might mean finding a seat near the front or finding a seat near the center of the pew.
10. For Sunday morning attendees, you'll notice that the pews have labels on them, some are reserved for the 8:00 attendees, others are reserved for the 10:30 attendees, this is to limit the cross contamination between services. For Wednesday night, we believe the time between services would limit any germs that were on the pews from Sunday.
11. We will practice continuous communion. Instead of going up one table at a time, the usher will dismiss one row at a time. Pastor Eichers will stand in front of the baptismal font and hand out Christ's body. The elder will stand in front of the pulpit with the blood. Each communicant will go from one "station" to the next and then be seated. A common blessing will be said at the end of communion.
12. At the end of the service, an usher will dismiss you one row at a time. Please either leave the building or go downstairs (for Education Hour). If you would like to have a conversation, please do so outside to maximize the distance between each other. Again, the goal is to minimize the possibility for the spread of germs.
13. Education hour will be held in the fellowship hall in the basement at 9:15. Education Hour will be broadcast live to YouTube.

*** Please Note: We are thrilled to have members returning to in person worship. We rejoice that we can come together to worship our risen Lord and Savior. We have noticed bottle neck areas in our Narthex as people greet one another. To ensure the health and safety of all members and staff, please be mindful to visit outdoors, in large areas (such as the Fellowship Hall or Student Center), and avoid congregating in the Narthex. We wish to maintain a safe 6 foot distancing corridor in the Narthex for all.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VISITORS: Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church. We're glad to have you join us today and hope you find your worship here to be fulfilling and joyful! Please fill out the Record of Fellowship in the pew books, sign our Guest Book in the Narthex, and be sure to speak with an usher for a Welcome packet. We hope to see you again soon!

PLEASE NOTE... *Faith Lutheran Church is pleased to be able to offer a loop hearing assistance system. To access this system, simply activate the T-coil setting on your hearing aid. If you don't have a hearing aid or your hearing aid lacks a T-coil switch, we have headsets available which will provide sound amplification throughout the worship service. Please see an usher if you have any questions.*

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the Honor and Glory of God by Brenda Williams.

LUTHERAN HOUR RADIO is broadcast on WKTY 580 AM Sundays at 7:30 AM. The message on **Sunday June 21st** is "**Powered By Touch**" by Rev. Dr. Michael Ziegler. The human body can produce enough energy to power a tiny light bulb. Christ gives His followers power to light the entire world. Dr. Michael Zeigler reflects on the nature of that light and the power behind it.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE June 14th "If you're married and afraid your vows of faithfulness are fading like the mist, lean on Jesus. His words, 'Do not be afraid,' can allow you to forgive, rebuild, and rediscover hope and love. If you're an unmarried mother worried about your child growing up without a father, come to Jesus with your little one. Hear Him say, 'Do not be afraid. I will give you guidance.' Today is the day the Holy Spirit is calling you to introduce you to the Savior. His Name is Jesus. If you don't know Him, call on Him. If you do know Him, draw closer. Jesus offers you a new life—courageous, inspired, and given by God Himself." *Rev. Ken Klaus, former Speaker of "The Lutheran Hour" – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life*
♥ www.lutheransforlife.org

Text: Matthew 9:35—10:20

Title: Green Season

What do the green paraments mean?

- Green means _____.

Whenever we talk about going, we must first talk about _____
as the first one who went.

- Green means _____.

The _____ always happens as a result of the _____.

- Green means _____.

The green season is a season to _____ your faith.

DURING THESE SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST, JESUS IS CALLING US
TO _____ HIM.

