

# FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Missouri Synod*

## **The 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

July 5, 2026

Divine Service, Setting Five – LSB 213

10:30 am – livestreamed on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)



## **AS WE GATHER**

On this day when our thoughts and minds attend to the independence of our nation, we hear a study of contrasts between the mighty King who comes to us on a colt, the foal of a donkey, and the mystery that befuddles the wise revealed to the child. We also hear Paul wrestle with the paradox of his own nature as saint by virtue of the merits of Christ and sinner—all in the same body. Though it is our nature to try and solve such paradoxes and resolve such contrasts, the path of faith is to appreciate what each reveals to us and to trust in the Lord for all things. We might find it frustrating to chafe under the tension of what is and what should be, yet even the child can discern the gracious will of God in Christ and rejoice of His easy yoke. Thanks be to God.

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# ✠ ✠ ✠ GATHERING ✠ ✠ ✠

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC – *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say* (arr. Amanda Husberg)

## HYMN OF INVOCATION – LSB 733 – O God, Our Help in Ages Past



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,  
2 Un - der the shad - ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;  
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or earth re - ceived her frame,  
4 A thou - sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone,



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:  
Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.  
From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.  
Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
Soon bears us all away;  
We fly forgotten as a dream  
Dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Be Thou our guard while troubles last  
And our eternal home!

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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

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

**C** Amen.

**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.

*(silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)*

**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** – *Psalm 91:2, 9–10; antiphon: v. 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.

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.  
He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

**KYRIE** – Kyrie, God Father – LSB 942 – the congregation sings all



Ky-ri - e! God, Fa-ther in heav'n a-bove, You a-bound in gra-cious love,



Of all things the mak-er and pre-serv - er. E - le - i-son! E - le - i - son!

Ky-ri - e! O Christ, our king, Sal - va - tion for all You came to bring.

O Lord Je - sus, God's own Son, Our me - di - a - tor at the heav'n - ly throne:

Hear our cry and grant our sup - pli - ca - tion. E - le - i - son! E - le - i - son!

Ky - ri - e! O God the Ho - ly Ghost, Guard our faith, the

gift we need the most, And bless our life's last hour, That we leave this

sin - ful world with glad - ness. E - le - i - son! E - le - i - son!

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### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – All Glory Be to God on High – LSB 947

1 All glo - ry be to God on high And thanks for all His  
 2 We praise and laud and wor - ship You; We give You thanks for -  
 3 O Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son Be - got - ten of the  
 4 O Ho - ly Spir - it, our de - light And source of con - so -

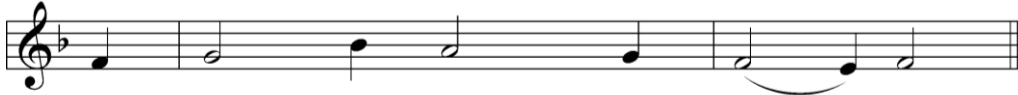
fa - vor; No harm can touch or ter - ri - fy A  
 ev - er, O Fa - ther, for Your rule is true And  
 Fa - ther, Your sav - ing death has made us one With  
 la - tion, Pro - tect us from the dev - il's might Through



child of God for - ev - er. God shows His good and  
 just and chang - es nev - er. With bound - less pow'r, Your  
 God and with each oth - er. O Lamb of God, to  
 Je - sus, our sal - va - tion, Who by His death up -



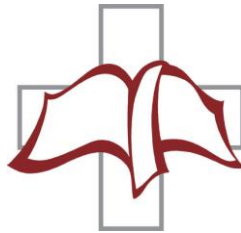
gra - cious will And grants His peace, the world to fill—  
 might - y reign Ful - fills what - ev - er You or - dain.  
 You on high In our dis - tress we sin - ners cry,  
 on a tree Has res - cued us from mis - er - y:



All strife at last has end - ed.  
 Lord, grant us ev - 'ry bless - ing!  
 Have mer - cy on us, a - men!  
 To this we hold for - ev - er.

**SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY**

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** ...one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.



## OLD TESTAMENT – Zechariah 9:9-12

<sup>9</sup>Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!  
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!  
behold, your king is coming to you;  
righteous and having salvation is he,  
humble and mounted on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.  
<sup>10</sup>I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim  
and the war horse from Jerusalem;  
and the battle bow shall be cut off,  
and he shall speak peace to the nations;  
his rule shall be from sea to sea,  
and from the River to the ends of the earth.  
<sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,  
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.  
<sup>12</sup>Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;  
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL – Romans 11:33, 36

**A** Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!  
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!  
**C** For from him and through him and to him are all things.  
To him be glory forever. Amen.

## EPISTLE – Romans 7:14-25a

<sup>14</sup>We know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. <sup>15</sup>I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. <sup>16</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. <sup>17</sup>So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup>For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. <sup>19</sup>For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. <sup>20</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

<sup>21</sup>So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup>For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, <sup>23</sup>but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup>Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? <sup>25</sup>Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## HYMN OF THE DAY – LSB 699 – I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to Me and rest;  
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give  
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light.



Lay down, thou wea - ry one, lay down Thy head up - on My breast."  
The liv - ing wa - ter; thirst - y one, Stoop down and drink and live."  
Look un - to Me; thy morn shall rise And all thy day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, So wea - ry, worn, and sad;  
I came to Je - sus, and I drank Of that life - giv - ing stream;  
I looked to Je - sus, and I found In Him my star, my sun;



I found in Him a rest - ing place, And He has made me glad.  
My thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, And now I live in Him.  
And in that light of life I'll walk Till trav-'ling days are done.

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## HOLY GOSPEL – Matthew 11:25-30

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

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

<sup>25</sup>At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; <sup>26</sup>yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup>All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. <sup>28</sup>Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

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

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

## NICENE CREED

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\text{✙}$  of the world to come. Amen.

SERMON – *Jesus’ Easy Yoke* – Matthew 11:25-30

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**A** ... Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**A** ...one God forever.

**C** Amen.

OFFERING – *I Lay My Sins on Jesus* (arr. Wayne L. Wold)

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beginning at LSB 216

## 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...one God, now and forever.

## 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.

**P** In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

## WORDS OF OUR LORD

### SANCTUS – LSB 208



**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!

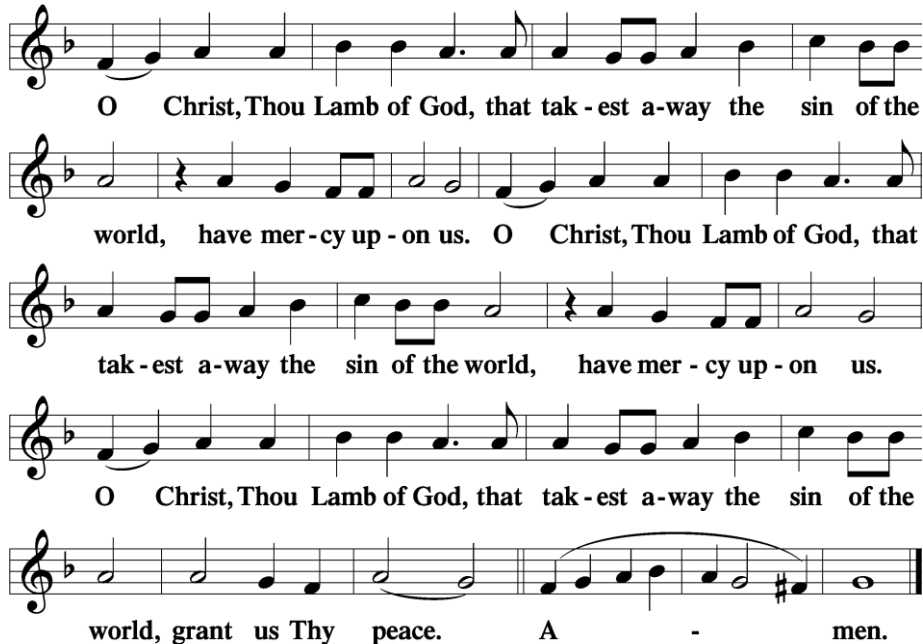
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### PAX DOMINI – The Peace of the Lord – *John 20:19*

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

**C** Amen.

AGNUS DEI – LSB 198 – Lamb of God – *John 1:29*



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.

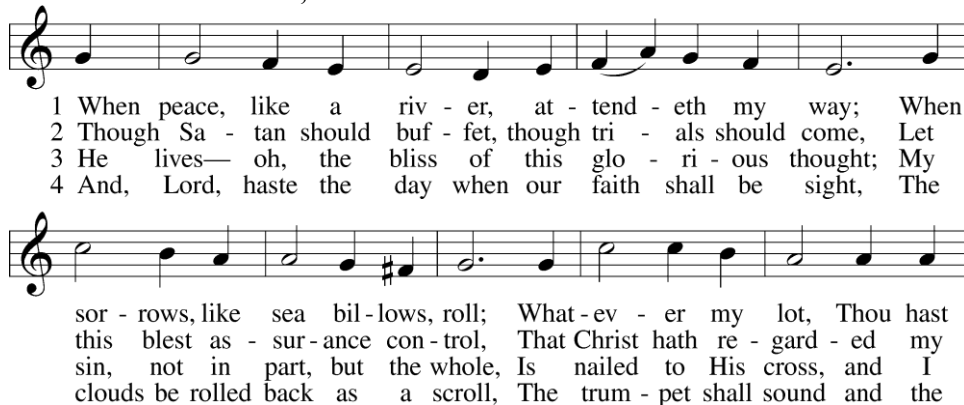
**Distribution Notes:**

If you need **gluten-free wafers**, please let one of the pastors know.

**Non-alcoholic grape juice**, containing *a trace amount of wine*, is available in the center of the tray.

**DISTRIBUTION**

LSB 763 – When Peace, like a River



1 When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way; When  
 2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, Let  
 3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; My  
 4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The  
 sor - rows, like sea bil - lows, roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast  
 this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, That Christ hath re - gard - ed my  
 sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to His cross, and I  
 clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trum - pet shall sound and the





taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.  
 help - less es - taste And hath shed His own blood for my soul.  
 bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
 Lord shall de-scend; E - ven so it is well with my soul.

*Refrain*



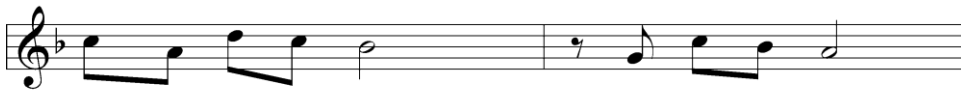
It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

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### LSB 629 – What Is This Bread



1	What	is	this	bread?	Christ's	bod - y
2	What	is	this	wine?	The	blood of
3	So	who	am	I,	That	I should
4	Yet	is	God	here?	Oh,	yes! By
5	Is	this	for	me?	I	am for -



ris - en from the dead:	This bread we break,
Je - sus shed for mine;	The cup of grace
live and He should die	Un - der the rod?
Word and prom - ise clear,	In mouth and soul
giv - en and set free!	I do be - lieve



This life we take,	Was crushed to pay for our re -
Brings His em - brace	Of life and love un - til I
My God, my God,	Why have You not for - sak - en
He makes us whole—	Christ, tru - ly pres - ent in this
That I re - ceive	His ver - y bod - y and His



lease.	O taste and see—	the Lord is peace.
sing!	O taste and see—	the Lord is King.
me?	O taste and see—	the Lord is free.
meal.	O taste and see—	the Lord is real.
blood.	O taste and see—	the Lord is good.

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## LSB 606 – I Lay My Sins on Jesus



1 I lay my sins on Je - sus, The spot - less Lamb of God;  
2 I lay my wants on Je - sus; All full - ness dwells in Him;  
3 I rest my soul on Je - sus, This wea - ry soul of mine;



He bears them all and frees us From the ac - curs - ed load.  
He heals all my dis - eas - es; My soul He does re - deem.  
His right hand me em - brac - es; I on His breast re - cline.



I bring my guilt to Je - sus To wash my crim - son stains  
I lay my griefs on Je - sus, My bur - dens and my cares;  
I love the name of Je - sus, Im - man - uel, Christ, the Lord;



Clean in His blood most pre - cious Till not a spot re - mains.  
He from them all re - leas - es; He all my sor - rows shares.  
Like fra - grance on the breez - es His name a - broad is poured.

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## POST-COMMUNION HYMN – LSB 617 – O Lord, We Praise Thee

*Sung as distribution is coming to a close.*



1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a - dore Thee,  
2 Thy ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en,  
3 May God be - stow on us His grace and fa - vor



In thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore Thee. Thou with Thy  
Life to win for us in heav - en. No great - er  
That we fol - low Christ our Sav - ior And live to -



bod - y and Thy blood didst nour - ish Our weak souls that  
love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast there -  
geth - er here in love and u - nion Nor de - spise this



they may flour - ish: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
of re - mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy!  
blest Com - mu - nion! O Lord, have mer - cy!



May Thy bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, That our  
Lord, Thy kind - ness did so con - strain Thee That Thy  
Let not Thy good Spir - it for - sake us; Grant that



sins and sor - rows did car - ry, And Thy blood for us plead  
blood should bless and sus - tain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;  
heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see



In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
Days of peace and u - ni - ty: O Lord, have mer - cy!

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## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- P** Let us pray... one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

## BENEDICAMUS

- P** Let us bless 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 upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

## HYMN TO DEPART – LSB 965 – God Bless Our Native Land



1 God bless our na - tive land; Firm may she ev - er stand  
2 So shall our prayers a - rise To God a - bove the skies;



Through storm and night. When the wild tem-pests rave, Rul - er of  
On Him we wait. Thou who art ev - er nigh, Guard-ing with



wind and wave, Do Thou our coun - try save By Thy great might.  
watch-ful eye, To Thee a - loud we cry: God save the state!

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## SILENT PRAYER / ANNOUNCEMENTS

POST-SERVICE MUSIC – *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* (arr. Healey Willan)



Today's flowers are given to the glory of God  
**in loving memory of Jay Simpson** who passed away  
on this date in 2017, husband of **Judy Simpson** and  
stepfather to **Scott Nolting**.



Pastor Edwards and family are on vacation **through Saturday, July 11.**

**If you have a pastoral emergency**  
please **contact Pastor Sui** at 812-671-3915.

Please remember that the office email ([office@faithbtown.org](mailto:office@faithbtown.org))  
is for *non-urgent* matters only.

## MONDAY, July 6

5:30pm School Board

6:30pm Stewardship Ministry Team

## TUESDAY, July 7

9:30am Chinese Bible study (Grand Hall)

Men's Softball season ENDS with a DOUBLE-HEADER (Twin Lakes, Field 2)

- 6:15pm
- 7:20pm



## FRIDAY, July 10

6:30pm Ladies' Night Out (Grand Hall)



## Openings for the fall

We are still accepting a few more applications for the **2026-27 school year** (children must be at least **3 years old by August 1**) with both full-time and flexible session options.

Tell your friends and neighbors!

Contact Preschool Director Rachel Stults at [FaithLutheranPS@gmail.com](mailto:FaithLutheranPS@gmail.com).



## SATURDAY, August 15

9:00-11:00am Congregational Summit



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