

***FAITH LUTHERAN
CHURCH***

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

***“TO KNOW AND SHARE GOD’S LOVE”
INVITE SOMEONE TO CHURCH!!***

Time after Pentecost

September 13, 2026

Worship Time 8:00 & 10:00 am

Sunday School 9:15 am

Fellowship Time 9:15 am

† Indicates - Please stand if comfortable

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

REDEDICATION OF SANCTUARY (See Insert)

Prelude:

† **CALL TO WORSHIP: 595 Jesus Loves Me vs 2**

Jesus loves me! He who died heaven's gates to open wide;
he will wash away my sin, let his little child come in.

Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.

C: Amen.

P: Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Compassionate God,

C: we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

P: Hear this good news: We have peace with God through Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

C: Amen.

† *Hymn 641 All Are Welcome*

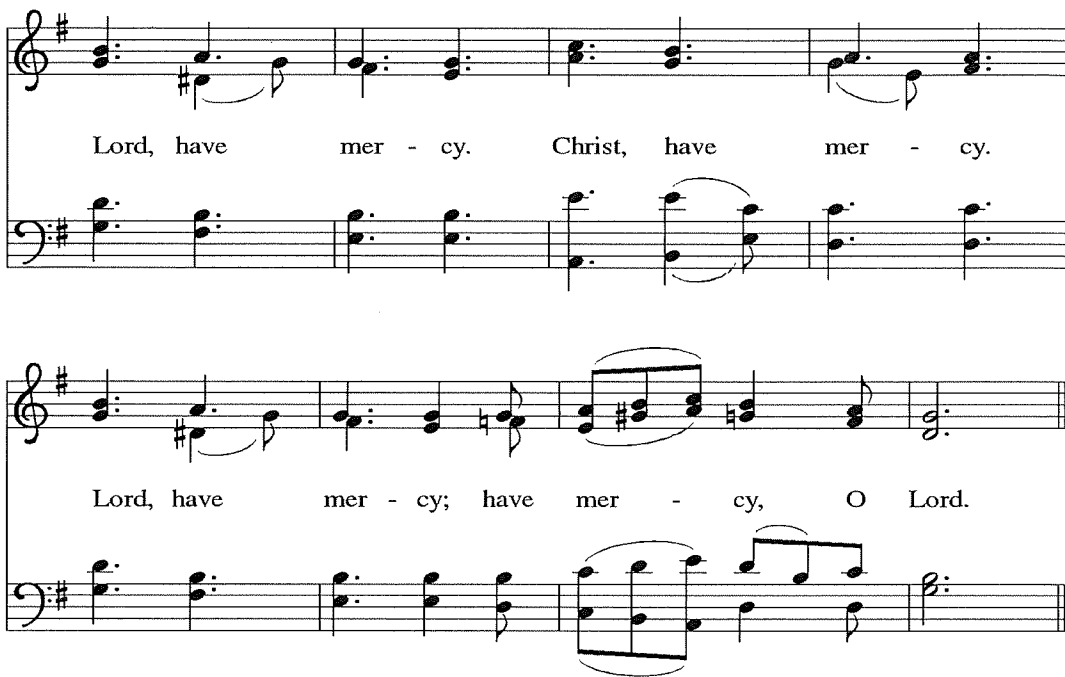
GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie

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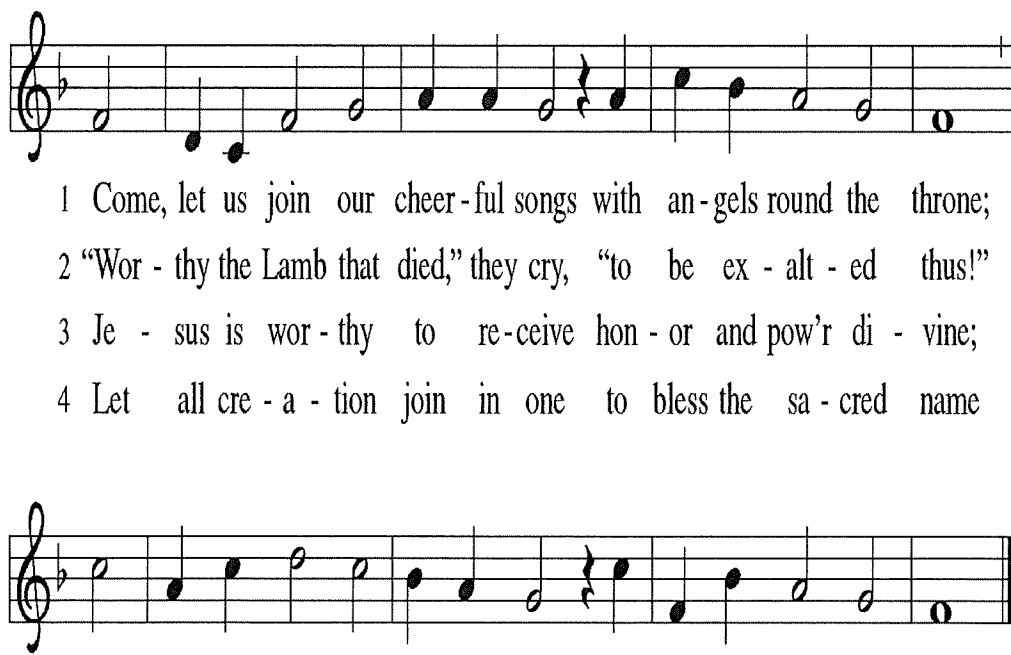


Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy; have mer - cy, O Lord.

Come, Let Us Join

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1 Come, let us join our cheer - ful songs with an - gels round the throne;
 2 "Wor - thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "to be ex - alt - ed thus!"
 3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re - ceive hon - or and pow'r di - vine;
 4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name

ten thou-sand thou-sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
 "Wor - thy the Lamb," our lips re - ply, "for he was slain for us!"
 and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine.
 of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray:

O Lord God, Merciful judge,
**you are the inexhaustible fountain of forgiveness. Replace
our hearts of stone with hearts that love and adore you, that
we may delight in doing your will, through Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord
Amen**

Choir Anthem: Ament Is Where We Begin *by Pepper Choplin*
Alex Jones, soloist

First Lesson: Genesis 50:15-21

¹⁵ Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" ¹⁶ So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷ 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸ Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." ¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? ²⁰ Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹ So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Psalm 103:8-13 (*congregation reads the verses in bold*)

⁸ **LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love;**
⁹ you will not always accuse us,
nor will you keep your anger forever.
¹⁰ **You have not dealt with us according to our sins,
nor repaid us according to our iniquities.**
¹¹ For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is your steadfast love for those who fear you.
¹² **As far as the east is from the west,
so far have you removed our transgressions from us.**
¹³ As a father has compassion for his children,
so you have compassion for those who fear you, O LORD.

Second Lesson: Romans 14:1-12

¹ Welcome those who are weak in faith but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. ² Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³ Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat, for God has welcomed them. ⁴ Who are you to pass judgment on slaves of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. ⁵ Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. ⁶ Those who observe the day, observe it for the Lord. Also those who eat, eat for the Lord, since they give thanks to God, while those who abstain, abstain for the Lord and give thanks to God.

⁷ For we do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸ If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹ For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. ¹⁰ Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. ¹¹ For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

¹² So then, each one of us will be held accountable.



Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah.

† **Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35**

²¹ Peter came and said to [Jesus,] “Lord, if my brother or sister sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” ²² Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

²³ “For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴ When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him, ²⁵ and, as he could not pay, the lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions and payment to be made. ²⁶ So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸ But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him by the throat he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. ³¹ When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. ³² Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. ³⁵ So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

P: The Gospel of our Lord

C: **Thanks be to God**

YOUTH MESSAGE

SERMON “An Equation for Forgiveness”

† *Hymn 612 Healer of Our Every Ill*

† **NICENE CREED** *Page 104*

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

† **THE PRAYERS**

P: Hear us, O God.

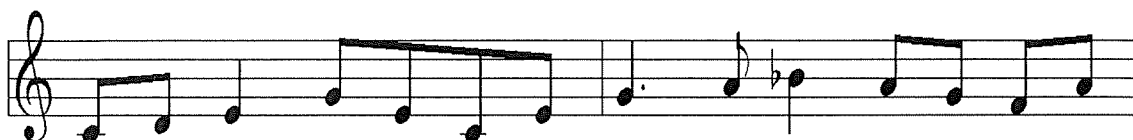
C: **Your mercy is great.**

† **SHARING THE PEACE**

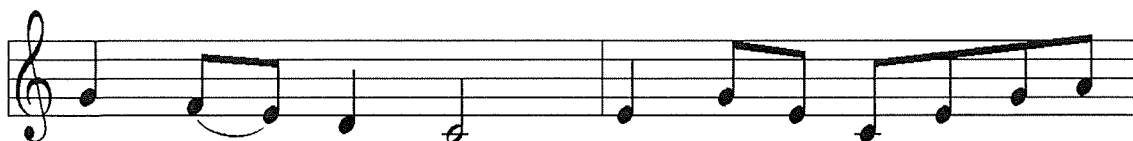
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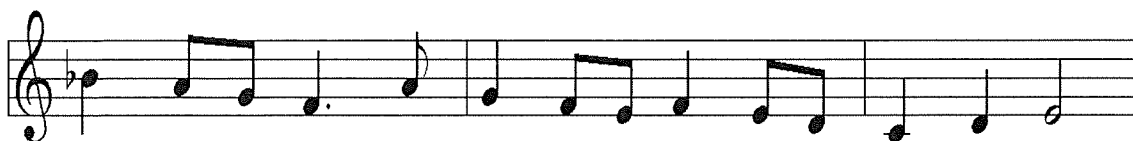
Let The Vineyards



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our



cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the



seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the



prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always.

C: Amen.



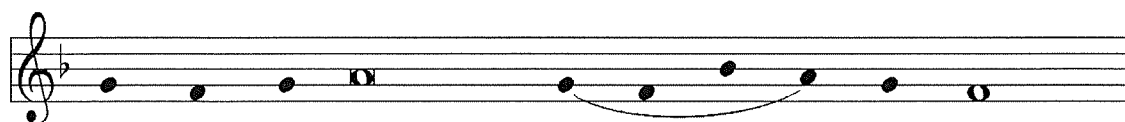
The Great Thanksgiving



☐ The Lord be with you. ☑ And al - so with you.



☐ Lift up your hearts. ☑ We lift them to the Lord.



☐ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



☑ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





Holy, Holy, Holy

Great Thanksgiving

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,

heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

P: Let us join together in praying our 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



Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on

us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Distribution of Communion: 715, 479, 491, 472

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen

† **Post Communion Prayer**

P: Let us pray:

Sustaining God,

C: with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.

Amen.

BLESSING

P: P: The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind,
in the body of Christ Jesus.

C: Amen.

P; The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all
circumstances through the interceding of the Spirit.

C: Amen.

The God of grace bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

† *Hymn 543 Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

DISMISSAL

P: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude:

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WELCOME to the worship of the people of God who are Faith
Lutheran Church. May you feel the presence of the Lord in our
midst and hear His Word spoken to your heart. For more
information contact us at faithlutheranmtvernon@gmail.com or
check out our website at FLCMTV.org. Our mission at Faith
Church is **To Know And Share God's Love.**

IF you are a ***GUEST***, you are invited to sign our guest book in the narthex with your name, and contact information, so we may give you a cordial welcome, and an invitation to return to worship with us soon. If you have children, please check out our Children's Activity Center on the wall in the narthex. Changing tables are available in Room 207 and Room 211 (Nursery). There is also a private mothers' space available in Room 214. Contact an usher if you need assistance.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is being celebrated today. The invitation to commune is extended to all Christians who are seeking to follow Jesus in their lives. We have glasses of white grape juice available for those who request it. Just ask the communion assistant as they come to you. Come join us as our brothers and sisters as we gather as God's family at His table. Infants and children may be brought to the altar for a blessing by the Pastor. Communion recipients are asked to give the communion cards to an usher when coming forward. This is the only record we have of those communing. Visitors are asked to give their home church on the reverse side of the card so we can forward notification of your communion with us

FLOWERS on the altar are given ***by Bob & Kathy Atwell*** to the glory of God, and in honor of their September 20th wedding anniversary.

SPECIAL THANKS

We want to thank Rev. Tim Mentzer, assistant to the Bishop, for joining us today as we celebrated the rededication of our new sanctuary

THANKS

We also want to give special thanks to Alex Jones for sharing his musical talents with us today.

FAITH WOMEN'S GENERAL MEETING

All women are invited for an evening of good food, good information and just a good time on this Wednesday, September 16th 5:30 The menu - main entrees from Burrata's.

RSVP with \$12 for the meal to Cheryl Johnson. With checks written to Faith Women or cash. Featured Speaker: Jim McLaughlin -Fraud Awareness. School kits for Lutheran World Relief will be assembled before the meal. There will be a short business meeting, of course, door prizes.

“ATTITUDE of GRATITUDE”

Our Gratitude Box is ready for your notes. To celebrate the abundance we all enjoy, jot down something you are thankful for on one of our yellow slips and put it in the little blue box.

ELCA HUMAN SEXUALITY REVISIONS TASK FORCE

The ELCA *Human Sexuality Revisions Task Force* is requesting from ELCA members nationwide input on the work of the task force on the provision for *Bound Conscience* that was written into the 2009 social statement title *Human Sexuality: Gift and Trust*. Those willing to participate in responding to this request can search online for “ELCA Human Sexuality Revisions Task Force” and view information about the task force, its work, the documents and how to respond. Responses can address that particular issue or the larger issue in general....Dave Keck

SAVE THE DATE

Faith will be hosting the Harvest Dinner (a celebration of our abundant harvest of the Knox County community gardens) again this year on Tuesday, October 13th from 5 - 6:30 pm. This is a sit-down community FREE meal. Come and bring your friends to enjoy a meal with a lot of the ingredients coming from our very own community garden as well as from many of the other community gardens of Knox County. Also watch for sign-up sheets to help with preparing and serving this meal in the next few weeks

FAITH LUTHERAN SHARING SHED

The Produce Sharing Shed is in place and ready to share garden produce with gardeners, church members, or anyone in the community who wants fresh produce. Knox Public Health got a grant that provided funding for the shed. The colorful artwork on the shed was designed and painted by the Green Teens.. The produce can come from the community garden or home gardens. If you would like to donate fresh produce from your garden please contact Steve Conrad 614-264-7552. Extra produce will also be donated to Acts Food Pantry and Interchurch.

UPDATE: if you are cleaning out your garden and have any produce you are not using, please bring to our Sharing Shed. So far this summer, we have had over 70 pounds of produce donated in the shed. Some has been used by other gardeners, neighbors, church members, etc. and also shared with Interchurch and Acts.

MALABAR FARM TRIP

Let's Go! All ladies are invited to travel to Malabar Farm for a day to experience the world God created. On September 23rd, be at the church at 9 am and the Faith Women's board members are providing transportation. The Hannah Browning Fund is paying for the admission and we will enjoy lunch (on your own) at the Mohican State Park Lodge. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex or contact one of the Board members.

SERVING OUR LORD TODAY

	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>10:00 am</u>
Ushers	Kevin & Bette Mishey	Stephen Volz Tim Williams
Reader s	Peg Snow	Holly Fischer
Communion Assist.	Rev. Tim Mentzer	Rev. Tim Mentzer
Acolyte	Melissa Dexter	Connor Driscoll
Altar Guild - Jill Park		
Communion Committee - Cheryl Johnson		
Tellers - Tom Updike & Karen Greever		

SERVING OUR LORD NEXT SUNDAY

	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>10:00 am</u>
Ushers	Joe & Jen Curran	Stan & Jill Park
Reader s	Rick Keaton	Sally Berger
Communion Asist.	Tom Updike	Karen Greever
Acolyte	Will Melick	Marilyn Wilford
Altar Guild - Jill Park		
Communion Committee - Cheryl Johnson		
Tellers - Tom Updike & Karen Greever		

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

I want to thank each of you for your generous response to our request for additional funds to meet the needs of the church. Meeting our monthly expenses continues to be a challenge so please continue your stewardship and prayers in this regard.

In Christ's love,
Sally Berger,
Council President.

FAITH EVENTS

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<https://www.youtube.com/@FaithLutheranChurchMTVernon>

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13 - 19, 2026

Today:	8 & 10:00 am	Worship/Holy Communion
	9:15 am	Fellowship Time
		Assembly Personal Care Kits
Mon	11:00 am	Jesus Calling
	7:30 pm	AA
Wed	10:00 am	Quilters
	5:30 pm	Faith Women's General Mtg/Dinner
Thurs	9:00 am	SPOT (formerly TOPS)
	7:00 pm	Choir
Fri	6:00 pm	Euchre at Eastern Star

PLEASE PRAY FOR: MEMBERS: Bob & Kathy Atwell, Jordan & Nico Barnard, Vicki Blubaugh, Joe Curran, Al Dexter, Larry Everhard, Jan Frye, Eileen Hartman, Carolyn Jacquet, Ann Jurkowitz, Kathy Lamb, Betty McDonald, Judy Mustaine, Dan Myers, Kathy Noblit, Stan Park, Fran Smyser.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Allen (friend of Art Schad), Linda, Marie, Linda Beach, Devin Boyer, Nora Burke & family, Purell Butts, Mike C, Aaron Everhard, Nick Frost, baby Gabriel (heart surgery, Texas), Kayla Gadd, Linda Galyon, Chester Gingerich, Grant, Lon Hamby, Susan Jeffery, John Jones, Eddie and Miranda Jones, Beth Kost, Barb, Marv & Rob Keck, Dean & Marilyn Kempton, Debra Kempton, Jerry Kies, Alan (Ann Dice's brother), Dr. William McFarren, Jim Major (friend of Pastor Mark Wildermuth), Scott Mickley, Tina Miller, Donald Morehour, Sue Moreland, Jake Morisi, Anderson O'Briskie, Philp's family (Washington State house fire), Quinton (friend of Alex Jones), Shirley Ramsay, Julie & Brian Ramsey, Bruce Renne, Jan Rice, Sam Robert, Mona Russell and Heather & Danielle, Karen Scott, Wayne Snyder, Gabe & Micah Stauffer, Willow Steiner, an 8 month old with "Spitz" cancer, Martha Stuller, Becky Thomas, Josie Watts, Pam Wolfe, Karen Zedeker, and all others on our hearts and minds.

PRAYER SHAWL RECIPIENTS (in the last three months): Marianna Wolk, Billie Maglott, Esther Gillett, Glenn Dyer, Royce Jordan, Dani Bee, Warren Blair, **Barb**.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY: Gavin Thomas, Master Sargent Christopher Dominick.

Bold indicates new.

Rededication Liturgy

P: Sisters and brothers in Christ: Today we seek God's blessing as with thankfulness we have come together to rededicate this Sanctuary.

At this time, I would like to invite Marilyn Wilford, chair of the Renovation Committee, to share a reflection on the process of the renovation.

Reflection

A reading from Matthew 18:20 "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

P: today we gather to celebrate the completion of our sanctuary renovations and to ask God to bless this space once more for his mission for our church.

Prayer

P: All your works praise you, O Lord,

C: and your faithful servants bless you.

P: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe. Your gifts are many, and in wisdom you have made all things to give you glory. Be with us now and bless us as we rededicate this sanctuary to your praise and honor. Give us joy in all your works, and grant that this sanctuary may always be a place where your will is done and your name is glorified; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

SUNDAY MORNINGS AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

It's September and a great time to be a Lutheran

Knowing who we are and knowing God's Word has always been the foundation of the Lutheran faith. "A Christian is never in a state of completion but always in a process of becoming." - Martin Luther

All are invited to keep growing on Sunday Mornings at 9:15.

Children - Mrs. Pat Ferenbaugh

Pastor Cody Middle and High School

*Adults - Leaders and studies and activities will vary.
Watch for them and will include;*

*September 13th Assemble Lutheran Relief
Personal Care Kits;*

*September 20th "Animate" is a Bible discussion
series and will be led by Cheryl Johnson*

November TBD Create/Repair Chrismons

December 6th - Pastor Art Lund Dealing with Grief

Upcoming TBD - Dan Werner Study on Apostles Creed

Suggestions from you are very welcome.

All Are Welcome

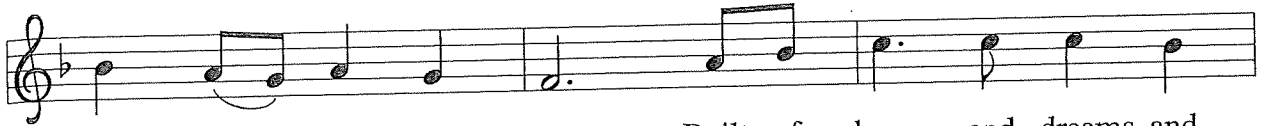
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1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
 2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



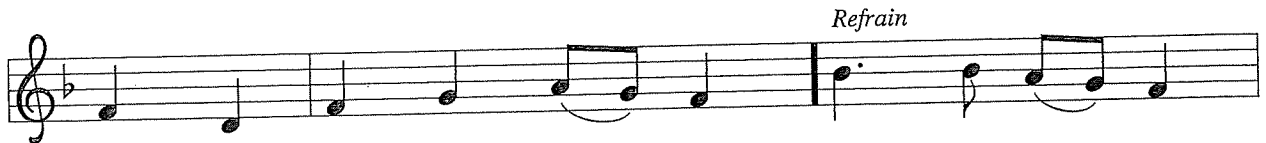
live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
 true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to
 wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where
 stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and
 heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



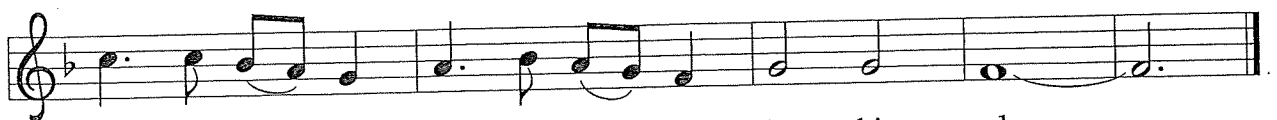
hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in
 strang-er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an
 laugh-ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 claim the faith of Je - sus:
 Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,
 end to fear and dan - ger:
 claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

Healer of Our Every Ill

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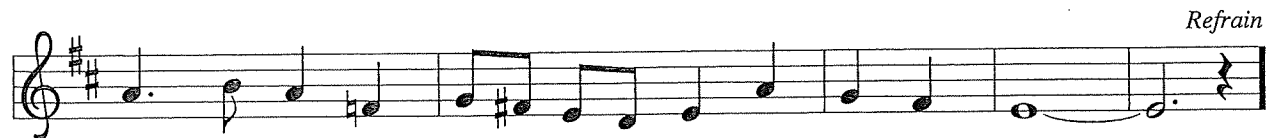
Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,



give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.



- 1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
- 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
- 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,
- 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your



peace and glad-ness; Spir-it of all com-fort, fill our hearts.
 still un-fold-ing, give us all your vi-sion, God of love.
 ev - 'ry broth-er; Spir-it of all kind-ness, be our guide.
 way of heal-ing; Spir-it of com-pas-sion, fill each heart.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950
 Music: Marty Haugen

HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL
 R R R and refrain

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
 2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
 3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.

Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
 Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.

In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
 Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.

Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
 Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

Christ, Be Our Light

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1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
 2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
 3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
 4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
 to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.



Refrain
 Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

We Come to the Hungry Feast

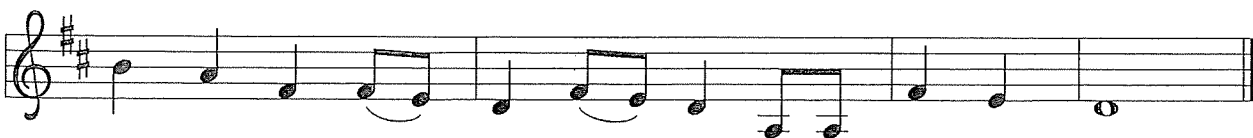
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- 1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943
Music: Ray Makeever

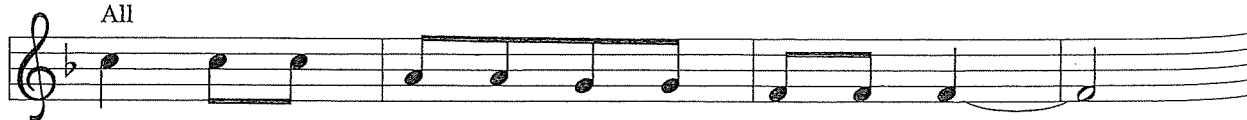
HUNGRY FEAST
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Leader or All



- 1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
 2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,
 3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,
 4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,

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Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,
 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,
 In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,
 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,

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Eat This Bread

Jesus Christ, Bread of Life

Refrain

“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.
OR Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”
Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

Text: Taizé Community

Music: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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