

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity September 25, 2022 Faith Lutheran Church Parrish, FL 34219 941-776-1395 faithlutheranfl.com Rev. Patrick Poock

Opening Hymn "Seek Ye First"

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Invocation, Confession and Absolution

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 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in **us.**
- C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead

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us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

DECLARATION OF GRACE

- P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
 - C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

+ INTROIT +

Psalm 86: 4, 6, 15a, 16

Pastor: Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me,

Cong.: save your servant, who trusts in you – you are my God.

Pastor: Be gracious to me, O Lord,

Cong.: for to you do I cry all the day.

Pastor: Gladden the soul of your servant,

- Cong.: for to you, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.
- Pastor: Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer;
- Cong.: listen to my plea for grace.
- Pastor: But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious;
- Cong.: turn to me and be gracious to me;

Pastor: give your strength to your servant,

Cong.: and save the son of your maid-servant. 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 In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

+ HYMN OF PRAISE + "Gloria in Excelsis"

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Pastor: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

Cong: Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:
We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

+ SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY +

Pastor: The LORD be with you.

Cong.: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. O Lord, we implore You, let Your continual pity cleanse and defend Your Church; and because she cannot continue in safety without

Your aid, preserve her evermore by Your help and goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 17: 8-16

Galatians 5: 25-6:10

⁸ Then the word of the LORD came to him, ⁹ "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to *feed you.*"¹⁰ So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink." ¹¹ And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in vour hand." ¹² And she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die."¹³ And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴ For thus savs the LORD. the God of Israel, 'The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth."¹⁵ And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶ The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah. This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

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²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit. ²⁶Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another. 6^{1} Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. ² Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. ³ For if anyone thinks he

is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. ⁴ But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. ⁵ For each will have to bear his own load. ⁶ Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. ⁷ Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸ For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. ⁹ And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. ¹⁰ So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith. This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

+ALLELUIA & VERSE +

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia

+ HOLY GOSPEL +

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixth chapter.

Cong.: Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁴ "No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money. ²⁵ Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁸ And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the

Matthew 6: 24-34

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field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? ³¹ Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' ³² For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. ³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. ³⁴ "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble." This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Cong.: Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON HYMN: "What God Ordains Is Always Good"p. 760SERMON

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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,	
orn 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.	

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH P Lord, in Your mercy, C hear our prayer. + THE LORD'S PRAYER + (sung) **LSB 162** 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 debts as we forgive our debtors, And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

COLLECT

- P Lord God, we humbly confess to You that we deserve Your fatherly chastisement for our sins; yet we earnestly implore You, for Your name's sake, to spare us in this time of disaster. Restrain all harmful powers and help Your suffering people that Your Word may be declared faithfully and without hindrance and that we, amending our sinful lives, may walk in safety and peace according to Your holy commandments; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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The Lord look upon you with favor and \clubsuit give you peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN *"How Firm a Foundation"*

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Rev. Patrick Poock Organist: Bill Vlasak

Happy Birthday

Sharon Fredrick 25th Dick Russ 27th Michelle Fluegge 27th Pete Asvestas 28th Heather Teitelbaum 29th Bill Dappen 30th Robert D'Amico 1st

Happy Anniversary

Uwe & Kristine Porth 25th (39 years) Jim & Sue Koehler 1st (44 years)

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT FAITH: Sunday, September 25

8:00 am Divine Service 9:15 am Bible Study 9:15 am Sunday School10:30 am Divine Service11:30 am Coffee Fellowship12:00 pm Youth Catechism

Wednesday, September 28

9:00 am Women of Faith3:30 pm Bible Study5:00 pm Divine Service6:30 pm Bible Study

Looking Ahead

October 9th – Pastor Appreciation Sunday

October 14th – Movie Night 6:00 pm (5:30 pizza) "Martin Luther" October 16th – Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry. October 30th – Reformation Sunday. One service @ 10:30. Potluck luncheon to follow.

October 30th – 3:30 pm Circuit Wide Reformation Service @ Lakeside Lutheran Church in Venice. Rev. Brian Albrecht is searching for anyone who would be interested in to join their mass choir that afternoon. If you are interested, please contact them at

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