



Fourth Sunday after Trinity

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Opening Hymn *“Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear”*

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Invocation, Confession and Absolution

LSB 151

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 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 27 :3-4a ; antiphon : Ps. 271-2

Pastor: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

Cong.: **The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

Pastor: When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh,

Cong.: **my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.**

Pastor: Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;

Cong.: **though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.**

Pastor: One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:

Cong.: **that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life.**

Pastor: For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

Cong.: **he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock. 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.**

KYRIE

LSB 152

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”*

LSB 154

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, grant that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by Your governance that Your Church may joyfully serve

You in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 50:15–21

¹⁵When Joseph’s brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, “*It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him.*”

¹⁶So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, “*Your father gave this command before he died, ¹⁷‘Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.’ And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father.*” Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, “*Behold, we are your servants.*” ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, “*Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? ²⁰As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. ²¹So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones.*” Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them. This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Romans 12:14-21

¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. ¹⁷Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “*Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.*” ²⁰To the contrary, “*if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.*” ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

+ALLELUIA & VERSE+ (sung)

LSB 157

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

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 6:36–42

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

Cong.: Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁶[Jesus said:] “Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful. ³⁷“Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.” ³⁹He also told them a parable: “Can a blind man lead a blind man? Will they not both fall into a pit? ⁴⁰A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher. ⁴¹Why do you see the speck that is in your brother’s eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? ⁴²How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye,’ when you yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother’s eye.” This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Cong.: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE SERMON HYMN: “O God, My Faithful God”

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SERMON

**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 ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LSB 159

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

+ THE LORD'S PRAYER + (spoken)

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

LSB 166

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN *“Chief of Sinners Though I Be”*

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Rev. Patrick Poock
Organist: Bill Vlasak

Happy Birthday

Stephen Reay 2nd
Sandy Collier 2nd
Lynda Stevenson 2nd
Vicky Gilbert 2nd
Sally James 2nd
Vanessa Benson 3rd
William Otto 5th
Guy Horbus 6th
Nancy Kendall 6th
Terry Wills 7th

Happy Anniversary

Robert & Lori D'Amico 7th (39 years)
Jeff & Laura Matson 8th (26 years)

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT FAITH:

Sunday, July 2

8:00 am Divine Service

9:15 am Bible Study

10:30 am Divine Service

11:30 am Coffee Fellowship

Tuesday, July 4

Office is Closed for Holiday

Wednesday, July 5

5:00 pm Divine Service

Looking Ahead:

July 12: Galatians Bible Study, Wednesday at 3:30 pm

July 30: 5th Sunday – One Divine Service at 10:30 am with an Italian luncheon.

PART TIME SECRETARY NEEDED:

We are looking for a part-time secretary. Hours would be Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30 – 12:30 am. Please contact the church by email at office@faithlutheranfl.com, or call 941-776-1395, or let Pastor know if you are interested.

