

**Faith Lutheran Church  
St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church - Hamburg  
Confirmation Sunday  
Second Sunday of Pentecost  
Sunday, June 2 and Monday, June 3, 2024**



## **WELCOME VISITORS:**

We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors today. We pray that

your worship with us is rewarding. Please be sure to sign your name and address in our guest register, located in the narthex. If you are looking for a church home we would like to invite you to be a part of our Bible Based Church family.



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## **RECEIVING THE HOLY SACRAMENT**

In deep Christian love and commitment to the Word of God we continue to hold to the Biblical and Ancient practice of close communion. **We believe that this is no Ordinary Meal.** We believe that those who commune together must confess the same faith, and recognize the great power and real presence of the body and blood Christ in, with and under the bread and the wine. (*1 Corinthians 10:16-18; 11:23-29; Romans 16:17*). Likewise, since one's membership helps promote that church's major teachings we ask that only those commune who are confirmed and communicant members of the LCMS, and who are not under church discipline. Thank you for respecting our beliefs and practices. Please pray with us for honest unity around the Word of God. If you have any question please contact Pastor Love. *NOTE: Gluten free wafers are now available at the Lord's Table. Please let Pastor know before worship service that you would like the gluten free wafers*



## ENTRANCE HYMN

### “Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”

LSB #660



- 1 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, Ye sol - diers of the cross.  
2 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; The trum - pet call o - bey;  
3 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; Stand in His strength a - lone.  
4 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; The strife will not be long;



Lift high His roy - al ban - ner; It must not suf - fer loss.  
Stand forth in might - y con - flict In this His glo - rious day.  
The arm of flesh will fail you, Ye dare not trust your own.  
This day the din of bat - tle, The next the vic - tor's song.



From vic - t'ry un - to vic - t'ry His ar - my He shall lead  
Put all His faith - ful serve Him A - gainst un - num - bered foes;  
The sol - diers, o - ver - com - ing, Each piece put on with prayer.  
The sol - diers, o - ver - com - ing, Their crown of life shall see



Till ev - 'ry foe is van - quished, And Christ is Lord in - deed.  
Let cour - age rise with dan - ger And strength to strength op - pose.  
Where du - ty calls or dan - ger, Be nev - er want - ing there.  
And with the King of Glo - ry Shall reign e - ter - nal - ly.

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## INVOCATION

P: We begin our Worship as we began our new lives in Holy Baptism in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: “Everyone who confesses the name of the Lord must turn away from wickedness” (2 Timothy 2:19) and “He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.” (Proverbs 28:13) Therefore, let us confess and renounces our sins with a sincere heart and mind before the Lord.

**C: Almighty God, I am a sinner. Although those around me may have seen or may not have seen my sins, You have seen them for I cannot hide them from you. I may be able to fool others, and even at times myself, but I cannot fool you. I confess that I have sinned in my thoughts and desires. I have sinned in what I have said. I have sinned in what I have done or have failed to do. As King David confessed, so do I, that I am sinful from birth; sinful from the time my mother conceived me. Indeed, I am undeserving of Your love and depend only upon Your forgiveness. Without Your grace, I would be lost forever to sin, the devil, and everlasting judgement. I therefore call to You and ask that You would forgive me in the name of Christ and for His sake. Wash away all my sins. Create in me a clean heart, and renew me as Your child and heir of eternal life. Amen!**

*A moment for silent confession and personal reflection*

**P:** The Holy Spirit teaches in the Holy Bible: Blessed is one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the LORD does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit (*Ps 32:1,2*). 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 you, and by the command and in the stead of the Lord Jesus Christ, (*John 20:22-23; Matthew 16:19, 18:18*) I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son, and of the Holy Spirit. "Be of Good Cheer your sins are forgiven you. (*Matt. 9:2 KJV*) Now, go live a life worthy of your calling in Christ Jesus, and produce fruit in keep with true repentance. (*Eph 4:1*)

**C: Amen! By Grace I am saved. By grace I am forgiven. By Grace I am set free.  
(*Ephesians 2:8-9*)**

## HYMN OF RESPONSE AND PRAISE

### “Beautiful Savior”

LSB #537



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion, Son of  
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions, Son of



God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd  
God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o -



serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
ra - tion Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine!

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## THE COLLECT

### + GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT TEACHES US THROUGH HIS HOLY WORD +

**P:** “and how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

**C:** All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.”

(2 Timothy 3:16-17)

### New Testament Reading Hebrews 10:19-25; 26-39

“Since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the

confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries...



*Let us draw  
near to God*

with a sincere heart ... Let us hold  
unswervingly to the hope we profess ...

Hebrews 10:22-23, NIV

But recall the former days when, after you were enlightened, you endured a hard struggle with sufferings, sometimes being publicly exposed to reproach and affliction, and sometimes being partners with those so treated. For you had compassion on those in prison, and you joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you knew that you yourselves had a better possession and an abiding one. Therefore, do not throw

away your confidence, which has a great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised. For, "Yet a little while, and the coming one will come and will not delay; but my righteous one shall live by faith, and if he shrinks back, my soul has no pleasure in him." But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls.

P: "The grass withers and the flowers fall,  
**C: but the Word of our God stands forever.**"  
(Isaiah 40:8)

## The Epistle Lesson

2 Peter 3:10-18

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare.

Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat. But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness.

So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him. Bear in mind that our Lord's patience means salvation, just as our dear brother Paul also wrote you with the wisdom that God gave him. He writes the same way in all his letters, speaking in them of these matters. His letters contain some things that are hard to understand, which ignorant and unstable people distort, as they do the other Scriptures, to their own destruction.

Therefore, dear friends, since you already know this, be on your guard so that you may not be carried away by the error of lawless men and fall from your secure position. But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen.

grow in  
**GRACE**  
& understanding  
SECOND PETER THREE EIGHTEEN

P: "And we also thank God continually because, when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men,

**C: but as it actually is, the word of God, which is at work in you who believe."** (1 Thessalonians 2:13)

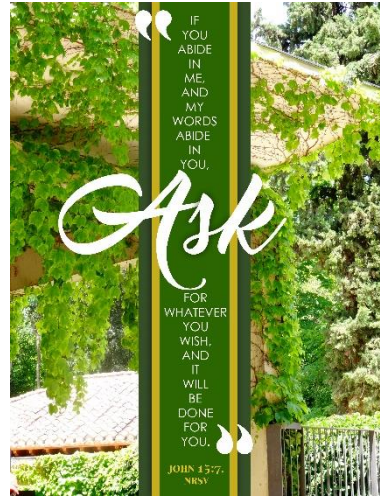
## CHORAL ANTHEM (*Faith*)

**“Lord Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”**

### Gospel Lesson

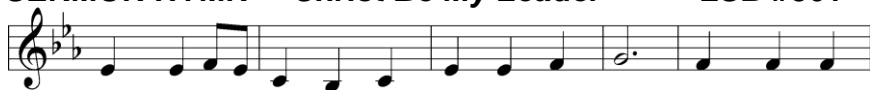
**John 15:1-14**

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.



P: Jesus said to Satan “Man does not live on bread alone  
C: **But on every word that comes from the mouth of God.”** *Matthew 4:4*



**SERMON HYMN “Christ Be My Leader”****LSB #861**

1 Christ be my Lead - er by night as by day; Safe through the  
 2 Christ be my Teach - er in age as in youth, Drift - ing or  
 3 Christ be my Sav - ior in calm as in strife; Death can - not



dark - ness, for He is the way. Glad - ly I fol - low, my  
 doubt - ing, for He is the truth. Grant me to trust Him; though  
 hold me, for He is the life. Nor dark - ness nor doubt - ing nor



fu - ture His care, Dark - ness is day - light when Je - sus is there.  
 shift - ing as sand, Doubt can - not daunt me; in Je - sus I stand.  
 sin and its stain Can touch my sal - va - tion; with Je - sus I reign.

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**SERMON****OFFERTORY RESPONSE “Create in Me”****LSB #956**

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new



a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way



from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it



from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;



and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

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**WE BRING OUR FIRST FRUITS UNTO THE LORD**

**RITE OF CONFIRMATION**

*Caleb Nicholas Ney*

P: Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said:  
“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I will be with you always, to the very end of the age.”

You have been baptized and you have been taught the faith according to our Lord’s bidding. The fulfillment of his bidding we now celebrate with thankful hearts, rejoicing to confess the faith into which you were baptized and which you yourselves will now confess before the Church.

Jesus said: “Whoever confesses me before men, I will confess him before my Father in heaven. But he that denies me before men, I will deny him before my Father in heaven.

Lift up your heart, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what, in the name of the Lord, as a minister of his Church, I now shall ask you.

P: Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts which God gave you in your Baptism?

**C: I do.**

P: Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?

**C: I do.**

P. Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

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

P. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son?

**C:** Yes, I believe 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.

**P:** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**C:** Yes, 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.

**P:** Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?

**C:** I do so intend with the help of God.

**P:** Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God and confess the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from them, as you have learned to know it from the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?

**C:** I do.

**P:** Do you desire to be a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and of this congregation?

**C:** I do.

**P:** Do you intend faithfully to conform your life to the divine Word, to be faithful in the use of God's Word and sacraments, which are his means of grace, and in faith, word, and action to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?

**C:** I do so intend by the grace of God.

**P:** Give then your hand as pledge of your promise, and kneel to receive the blessing.

Caleb, \_\_God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, gives you his Holy Spirit, the Spirit of wisdom and knowledge, of grace and prayer, of power and strength, of sanctification and the fear of God.

P. Upon this your profession and promise, I invite and welcome you, as a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and of this congregation, to share with us in all the gifts our Lord has for his Church and to live them out continually in his worship and service.

P. Let us pray for the newly confirmed.  
Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise you for your great goodness in bringing your son, Caleb, to the knowledge of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling him with a heart to believe and with a mouth to confess His saving name. Grant that, bringing forth the fruits of faith, he may continue steadfast and victorious to the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C. **Amen**

P. The almighty and most merciful God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless and keep you.

C. **Amen.**

**CONFIRMED**  
*In Faith* 

## THE FAMILY OF GOD PRAYS TOGETHER

P: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus, imploring the presence of the Holy Spirit. Holy Spirit, once You came upon the disciples of our Lord, shaping their speech, and encouraging their witness. So also, we implore Your presence in our own midst. Open our ears that we may hear the Word; open our mouths that we may declare it boldly; open our hands that we may be servants to all people. Hear us, O Holy Spirit.

**C: Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

P: Holy Spirit, in the midst of brokenness and fear, You convey comfort and security. Come to those who are now discouraged and disheartened by life's sin and sadness. Come and re-create families torn by anger and where the rift between generations is severe, leaving little room for love and genuine human care. Come upon the aged, the sick, and all those who eagerly await the New Jerusalem. Come, Spirit, come!

**C: Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

P: We remember especially  
*...(include petitions for people with special needs).*

**C: Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

P: Come, Spirit, come upon a world enmeshed in sin and its consequences. Through Word and Sacrament, lift up Jesus before us, revealing to us the glory of His constant grace. Come and ignite spiritual renewal among Your people.

**C: Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

P: Come, Holy Spirit and reclaim the people of this nation, that we may cease bitterness and strife. Shape the decisions of our leaders that they may pursue the health and welfare of all citizens according to Your righteous and good will.

**C: Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

## THE FAMILY OF GOD CONTINUES TO PRAYS TOGETHER

*Petitions are concluded with...*

**P:** Lord in Your mercy.

**C:** Hear our prayer.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

## WE CELEBRATE THE HOLY SACRAMENT

### FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH & ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH RECEIVING THE HOLY SACRAMENT

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membership helps promote that church's major teachings, we ask that only those commune who are confirmed and communicant members of the LCMS, and who are not under church discipline. Thank you for respecting our beliefs and practices. Please pray with us for honest unity around the Word of God.

### The Words Of Institution

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN "For All the Saints" LSB #677**



1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest,  
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for-tress, and their might;  
 3 Oh, may Thy sol - diers, faith-ful, true, and bold,  
 4 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low-ship di - vine!



Who Thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, Thy  
 Thou, Lord, their cap - tain in the well-fought fight;  
 Fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old And  
 We fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; Yet



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.  
 Thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.  
 win with them the vic - tor's crown of gold!  
 all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

5 And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,  
 Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
 And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.  
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

6 The golden evening brightens in the west;  
 Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;  
 Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

7 But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day:  
 The saints triumphant rise in bright array;  
 The King of Glory passes on His way.  
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

△ 8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
 Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
 Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:  
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

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## DISTRIBUTION HYMN

### "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

LSB #633



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to  
 2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His  
 3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dread  
 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide  
 sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—  
 an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um-phant go  
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Mighty Victim from the sky,  
 Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;  
 You have conquered in the fight,  
 You have brought us life and light.  
 Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!  
 This alone can sin destroy;  
 From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,  
 Newborn souls in You to be.  
 Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death  
 appall,  
 Now no more the grave enthrall;  
 You have opened paradise,  
 And Your saints in You shall rise.  
 Alleluia!

△ 8 Father, who the crown  
 shall give,  
 Savior, by whose death we live,  
 Spirit, guide through all our days:  
 Three in One, Your name we  
 praise.

Alleluia!

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMN “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”**  
**LSB #643**

1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con-fess-ing,  
2 With praise and thanks-giv-ing To God ev-er-liv-ing,

The peo-ple of God from His dwell-ing take leave.  
The tasks of our ev-'ry-day life we will face.

The Sup-per is end-ed. O now be ex-tend-ed  
Our faith ev-er shar-ing, In love ev-er car-ing,

The fruits of this ser-vice in all who be-lieve.  
Em-brac-ing His chil-dren of each tribe and race.

The seed of His teach-ing, Re-cep-tive souls reach-ing,  
With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;

Shall blos-som in ac-tion for God and for all.  
U-nite us as one in this life that we share.

His grace did in-vite us, His love shall u-nite us  
Then may all the liv-ing With praise and thanks-giv-ing

To work for God's king-dom and an-swer His call.  
Give hon-or to Christ and His name that we bear.

# THE CLOSING PRAYER

## BENEDICTION

### CLOSING HYMN

*“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”*

LSB #922



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;  
4 I the Lord will bless and keep you And give you peace;



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you; You are My own. In My  
Here you learned how much I love you, What I can cure. Here you  
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, Joy - ful and free. Here My  
I the Lord will smile up - on you And give you peace: I the



love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you Mine for - ev - er.  
heard My dear Son's sto - ry; Here you touched Him, saw His glo - ry.  
Spir - it's pow - er filled you; Here His ten - der com - fort stilled you.  
Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Com - fort - er, and Broth - er.



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.  
Go, My chil-dren; I will keep you And give you peace.

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## **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

**Sunday:** Ecclesiastes 10:1-20;  
John 10:1-21

**Monday:** Ecclesiastes 11:1-10;  
John 10:22-42

**Tuesday:** Ecclesiastes 12:1-20; John 11:1-16

**Wednesday:** Proverbs 1:18-33; John 11:17-37

**Thursday:** Proverbs 3:5-24; John 11:38-57

**Friday:** Proverbs 4:1-27; John 12:1-19

**Saturday:** Proverbs 5:1-23; Proverbs 6:1 – 7:28;  
John 12:20-36a

## **CHURCH CALENDAR** **ST. JOHN'S and FAITH**

### **Sunday, June 2**

#### ***CONFIRMATION SUNDAY***

8:30 a.m.      **Worship with Holy  
Communion at St.  
John's**

9:30 a.m.      Bible Class at St. John's

10:15 a.m.     **Worship with Holy Communion at Faith**

11:15 a.m.     Bible Class at Faith

### **Monday, June 3**

6:30 p.m.      **Worship with Holy Communion at Faith**

7:30 p.m.      Church Council at Faith

### **Tuesday, June 4**

6:30 p.m.      Women of Faith

### **Thursday, June 6**

6:30 p.m.      Mary Martha Guild

### **Sunday, June 9**

8:30 a.m.      **Worship at St. John's**

9:30 a.m.      Bible Class at St. John's

10:15 a.m.     **Worship at Faith**

11:15 a.m.     Bible Class at Faith

### **Monday, June 10 – Wednesday, June 12**

5:00 p.m.      Vacation Bible School at Faith



Check Your  
Calendar



**FAITH and ST. JOHN'S  
LUTHERAN CHURCHES**

**Please remember the  
following in your  
prayers:**

Gary Baumann

Levi Blum

Cindy Braatz

Rev. David Bray

Bob Burish Beth Czech

Dave Czech Cheryl Dahlke Doris Dahlke

Steve Dahlke Dean Duncan Alice Fromm

Lydia Goetsch Brian Grueneberg David Hinz

Wallace Emmerich Jeff Fox Angie Harkner

Emma Hein Andy Jacobson Dale Janisch

Cecilia Elizabeth & Lucille Alexandria Klade

Emily Klug Rob Koebe Bruce Krenz Ron Lang

Jeremy Lee Cindy Luedtke Debbie Olson

Mark Pester Marge Radenz Karen Rajek

Rev. Wm. & LuAnn Ruhbusch Jo Schedler

Carl Uttech Philip Vogel

Susie and Ellie Zastrow Zulliger family

**AUGUST CALENDAR**

Note in your summer calendar

Tuesday, August 13

6:30 p.m.

**DUAL PARISH MEETING**

at St. John's



**PASTOR'S  
VACATION  
DATES**



*Pastor Love and his  
family will be on vacation  
June 17 – July 1*



# “A Walk With Jesus”

Vacation Bible School  
June 10-12, 2024

Check out the sign up sheets on the Scrip table  
in the back of church.

*Looking for willing volunteers for prep and set up food, get posters out, artistic work for decorations and backgrounds, teaching and helping in all age levels, registration for both children and adults.*

## Needed for VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Queen or king size flat, solid color bed sheets would be appreciated. Also, large wicker or cloth baskets and large artificial green plants needed. All items will be returned after VBS.

Please put your name on it.

Items needed by June 2. Bring items to St.

John's or Faith. For more information or questions, contact

Vicki Bartelt or Bonnie Grueneberg at Faith

OR Kathy Sturm or Joy Free at St. John's



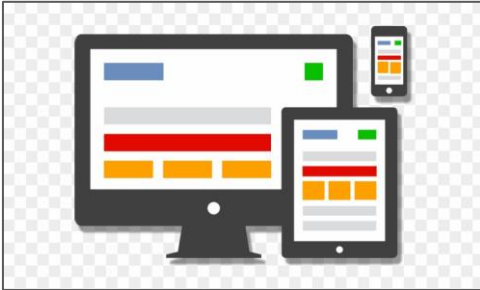
**VBS Registration Forms** are available on the counter in the back of church. Online Registration for children and adults can be done at

[www.myvbs.org/churchoffice](http://www.myvbs.org/churchoffice)

**Adult Class for VBS will focus on  
“A Walk through Colossians and God's  
Creation”**

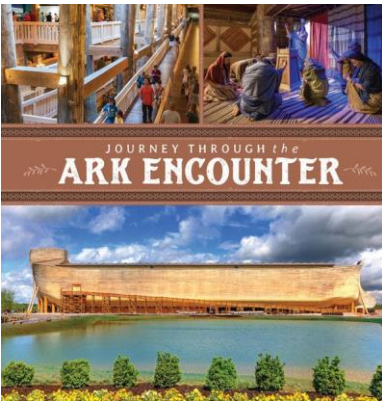


**GRADUATIONS, CONFIRMATION, SUMMER FUN!** For all of your upcoming events and activities, don't forget to pick up Scrip Cards. One can always use cards for everyday personal and household needs such as gas and food, Help support the ministry of our church through the Scrip program ... *all without it costing you an extra penny!*



**CHECK IT OUT!**  
The new website for Faith is up and running.

<https://faithlutheranmerrill.com>



## **Circuit 6 Family Ark Encounter Tour November 1-3, 2024**

Contact Bonnie Grueneberg at 1-715-613-0003 or Jeremy Lee at 715-536-2477 for more information or to reserve your seat - \$150.00 deposit is due within 10 days of making your reservation. Please pick up a reservation form at your church office and mail in along with

your deposit. Final payment is due October 1st.  
Check the June newsletter for detailed information.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Thank You for your generous sacrificial offerings to the Lord, to help us keep our ministry going. You can also mail your offerings to Our Churches at**

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

15425 County Road K South

Merrill, WI 54452

or

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**

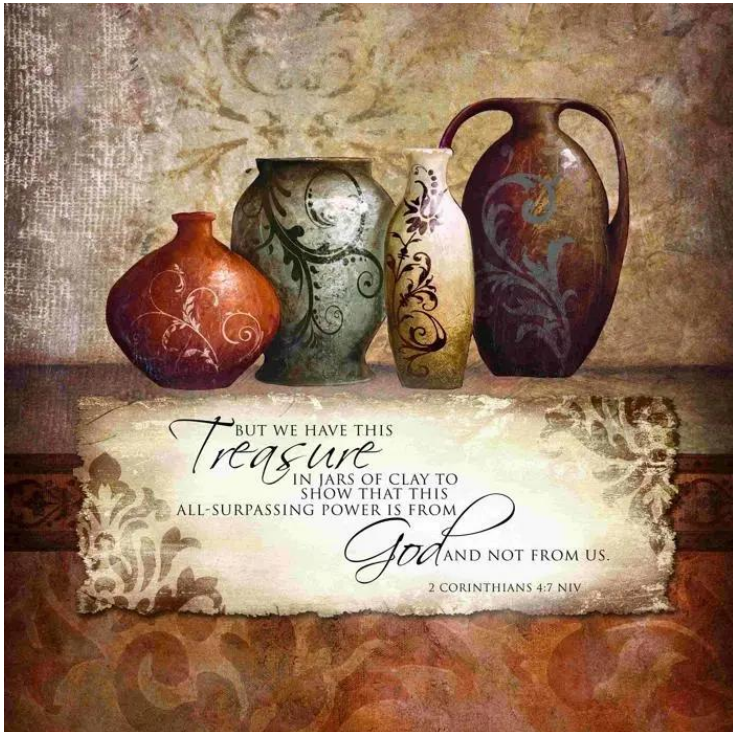
134058 County Road L

Athens, WI 54411

*(Please do not send hard cash through the mail)*

**Please help us spread the Word. Visit us online at Pastor's (Don Love) Facebook Page, or Faith Lutheran Merrill Facebook Page**

**<https://faithmerrill.webs.com/>**



**Join Us for VBS  
“A Walk With Jesus”  
at Faith Lutheran Church  
15425 S. County Road K,  
Merrill**



Call  
(715) 536-5443  
To Register

Online Registration Available - [www.myvbs.org/churchoffice](http://www.myvbs.org/churchoffice)

**June 10 - 12, 2024**  
**5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**  
*(Meal provided starting at 5:00 p.m.)*

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