



**Faith Lutheran Church
St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church - Hamburg
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, June 23 and Monday, June 24, 2024**

Mark 4:40 – *“He said to them, ‘Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?’”* Faith means trust. If we trust the Lord, what do we have to be afraid of? Isn't it fear that holds us back in our stewardship? Isn't it fear that stops us from following the Lord's Word to give generously toward His work in the church? Well ... “Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?” The Lord has proved His trustworthiness by His cross. You can trust Him.



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.



Please **TURN OFF ALL CELLPHONES** before service begins. Phones that are on may interfere with transmission of the service to social media and shutting down your phone can help solve network connectivity problems

OPENING HYMN

"Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good" **LSB #819**

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

INVOCATION

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.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

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.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Psalm 124

P ¹If it had not been the LORD who was on our side—
let Israel now say—

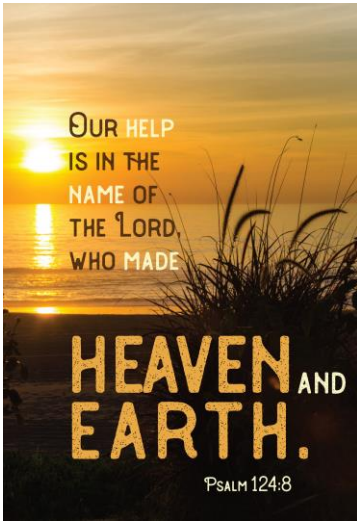
C ²**if it had not been the LORD who was on our side
when people rose up against us,**

P ³then they would have swallowed us up alive,
when their anger was kindled against us;

⁴then the flood would have swept us away,
the torrent would have gone over us;

C ⁵**then over us would have gone
the raging waters.**

P ⁶Blessèd be the LORD,
who has not given us
as prey to their teeth!



C ⁷We have escaped like a bird

from the snare of the fowlers;
the snare is broken,
and we have escaped!

P ⁸Our help is in the name of the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Kyrie

LSB 186

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

Salutation and Collect of the Day

CATECHISM REVIEW

P Redemption - The Second Article

C And 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 What does this mean?

C I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and

won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.
This is most certainly true.

Old Testament Reading



Job 38:1–11

¹Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind and said:

²“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without

knowledge?

³Dress for action like a man;

I will question you, and you make it known to me.

⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

⁶On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone,

⁷when the morning stars sang together
and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors
when it burst out from the womb,

⁹when I made clouds its garment
and thick darkness its swaddling band,

¹⁰and prescribed limits for it
and set bars and doors,

¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
and here shall your proud waves be stayed?’”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 145:3, 5b, 6b

P Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and his greatness is unsearchable.
On your wondrous works, I will meditate,
and I will declare your greatness.

Epistle

2 Corinthians 6:1–13

¹Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ²For he says,

“In a favorable time I listened to you,
and in a day of salvation I have helped you.”

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. ³We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; ⁷by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet

well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.



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2 Corinthians 6:8, 10, ESV

¹¹We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians; our heart is wide open. ¹²You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted in your own affections. ¹³In return (I speak as to children) widen your hearts also.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

LSB 190

Holy Gospel

Mark 4:35–41

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

³⁵On that day, when evening had come, [Jesus] said to them, “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. ³⁷And a great windstorm



arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling.

³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?”

³⁹And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea,

“Peace! Be still!” And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, “Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even wind and sea obey him?”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Apostles' Creed

LSB 192

SERMON HYMN “*Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me*” LSB #715



Sermon
“*Who are We?*”
Job 38:1-11

Offering

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“*Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart*” LSB #806

Prayers of the Church

Lord’s Prayer

LSB 196

Benediction

LSB 202

CLOSING HYMN

“*Spread the Reign of God the Lord*” LSB #830

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DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday: Proverbs 27:1-24; Proverbs 28 1: - 29:27;
John 19:23-42

Monday: Proverbs 30:1-9 18-33; John 20:19-31

Tuesday: Proverbs 31:10-31; John 21:1-25

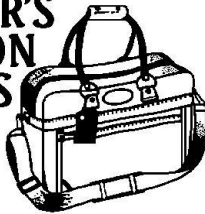
Wednesday: Joshua 1:1-18; Acts 8:1-25

Thursday: Joshua 2:1-24; Acts 8:26-40

Friday: Joshua 3:1-17; Acts 9:1-22

Saturday: Joshua 4:1-24; Acts 9:23-43

PASTOR'S VACATION DATES



*Pastor Love and his family
will be on vacation through
July 1*

If you have any needs or concerns, please call Pastor Joel Danner at 715-536-7242 (church), 715-539-9598 (home)

or 715-219-3090 (cell) or e-mail at pastordanner@aol.com
OR contact Rev. David J. Sutton at 715-536-5069 or 715-282-5550 (church offices) or 715-966-5591 (cell) or e-mail at revsutton@outlook.com



Pastor Scott Holoubek, thank you for ministering here at St. John's and Faith Lutheran Churches this weekend. It was wonderful to see the Holy Spirit

ministering through you as you shared the timeless truths of the Word of God! Heartfelt appreciation.

God's blessings today and always,
The congregations of St. John's and Faith

CHURCH CALENDAR
ST. JOHN'S and FAITH



Check Your
Calendar

Sunday, June 23

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

10:15 a.m. Worship at Faith

Monday, June 24

6:30 p.m. Worship at Faith

Saturday, June 29

9:00 a.m. – Noon BUILD-A-BED at Merrill Fairgrounds

Sunday, June 30

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

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

Monday, July 1

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

FAITH and ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCHES
Please remember the following in your prayers:



Gary Baumann Bob Burish
Cheryl Dahlke
Doris Dahlke Steve Dahlke
Alice Fromm
Lydia Goetsch
Wallace Emmerich
Angie Harkner
Emma Hein
Andy Jacobson
Dale Janisch

Cecelia Elizabeth & Lucille Alexandria Klade
Emily Klug Rob Koebe Bruce Krenz Ron Lang
Cindy Luedtke Debbie Olson Mark Pester
Edgar Pfaff Marge Radenz Karen Rajek Jo Schedler
Carl Uttech Philip Vogel Deb Wiederhoef
Susie and Ellie Zastrow Zulliger family



UPCOMING DATES

Sunday, August 11

DUAL PARISH OUTDOOR WORSHIP

at St. John's
10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, August 13

6:30 p.m.

DUAL PARISH MEETING

at St. John's

Sunday, September 29

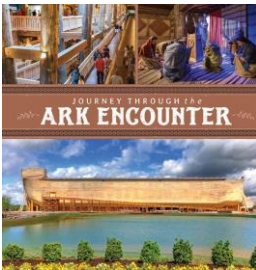
10:00 a.m.

POLKA SERVICE

at Faith

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.

CHECK IT OUT!

The new website for Faith
is up and running.

<https://faithlutheranmerrill.com>



Fourth of July, Summer Vacations, 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!*



T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE

Faith and St. John's have a new joint parish logo.

T-shirts have been printed with the logo They can be purchased on Sundays at church. There is no charge for the t-shirts but asking for a free will donation.

2024 Church Softball League

Today, Sunday, June 23

Game at St. John's
at 3:30 p.m.

Next Sunday, June 30

Game at St. John's
at 3:30 p.m.



If anyone has **EYE GLASSES AND/OR CASES** that are no longer used, there is a Lion's Eye Glass Bucket in the coat room, All glasses and cases can be put in the bucket. Any questions, contact Beth (715-574-0190) or Leon Bartlet (715-574-1161) of the Maine Lion's Club.



To the VBS team and all the volunteers, we take a moment to thank you for your time and energy and all the hard work

and expertise! Thank you for your amazing generosity and dedication to Vacation Bible School. Your support of Faith and St. John's allows us to continue to fulfill our mission and serve one another and our community each year. This project is successful because of you. "Volunteers are human beings who reflect compassion, unselfish caring, patience and loving one another." Thank you!

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/>



**NO KID SLEEPS
ON THE FLOOR
IN OUR TOWN!**

Merrill area bed build
June 29, 9:00-Noon
Lunch will be served

Call Jeremy at 715-432-8444 for information,
questions, or donations.

**For more information see the SHP WI Spencer
Chapter website or contact Jeremy Lee.**

PSALM 4:8: I will lie down and sleep in peace, for you alone,
O Lord, make me dwell in safety.

**Build will be at Merrill Festival Grounds
Sell Building**

Use driveway by Enrichment Center
303 N Sales St, Merrill, WI 54452

Hosted by Circuit 6 Youth Sign up SHPbeds.org

Volunteers Needed!!

VBS 2024

A WALK WITH JESUS



