



**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH - HAMBURG
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, August 25 and Monday, August 26, 2024**

Mark 7:11 – “But you say, ‘if a man tells his father or his mother, “Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban”’ (that is, given to God).” Each one of our vocations, in the home, in the church and in society, has a claim on our resources. The Pharisees thought that they could use the kingdom of God as an excuse to shirk their duty to their parents. But they were wrong. Of course, doing it the other way around would also be wrong. God has called us to be supportive of our families, our churches and our communities each in the proper proportion.



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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OPENING HYMN “Holy, Holy, Holy”

LSB #507

*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 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.

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,

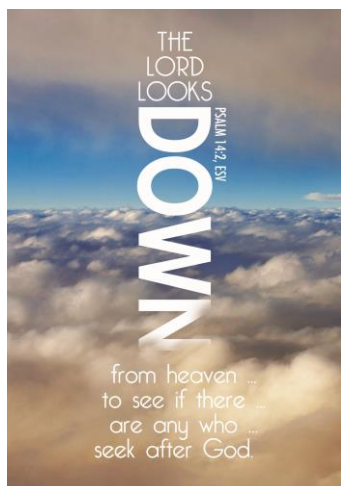
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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 14



P ¹The fool says in his heart, “There is no God.”

They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds, there is none who does good.

C ²**The LORD looks down from heaven on the children of man, to see if there are any who understand, who seek after God.**

P ³They have all turned aside; together they have become corrupt;

there is none who does good,
not even one.

C **⁴Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers
who eat up my people as they eat bread
and do not call upon the LORD?**

P ⁵There they are in great terror,
for God is with the generation of the righteous.

C **⁶You would shame the plans of the poor,
but the LORD is his refuge.**

P ⁷Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of
Zion!

When the LORD restores the fortunes of his people,
let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.

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

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, defend Your Church from all
false teaching and error that Your faithful people may
confess You to be the only true God and rejoice in Your
good gifts of life and salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your
Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

CATECHISM REVIEW - The Fifth Petition

P And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

P What does this mean?

C **We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 29:11–19

¹¹The vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, “Read this,” he says, “I cannot, for it is sealed.” ¹²And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, “Read this,” he says, “I cannot read.”

¹³And the Lord said:

“Because this people draw near with their mouth
and honor me with their lips,
while their hearts are far from me,

and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men,

¹⁴therefore, behold, I will again

do wonderful things with this people,
with wonder upon wonder;

and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish,

and the discernment of their discerning men shall
be hidden.”

¹⁵Ah, you who hide deep from the LORD your counsel,
whose deeds are in the dark,

and who say, “Who sees us? Who knows us?”

¹⁶You turn things upside down!



Shall the potter be regarded as the clay, that the thing made should say of its maker, “He did not make me”; or the thing formed say of him who formed it, “He has no understanding”?

¹⁷Is it not yet a very little while until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?

¹⁸In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book, and out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see.

¹⁹The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD, and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

Fear the LORD, you his saints,
for those who fear him lack nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

EPISTLE

Ephesians 5:22–33

²²Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. ²⁴Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

²⁵Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. ²⁸In the same way

husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰because we are members of his body. ³¹“Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to

his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” ³²This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. ³³However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.



Walk in
love

Ephesians 5:2

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

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HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 7:1–13

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

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹When the Pharisees gathered to [Jesus], with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem, ²they saw that some of his disciples ate with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. ³(For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat

unless they wash their hands, holding to the tradition of the elders, ⁴and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.) ⁵And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” ⁶And he said to them, “Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written,

“This people honors me with their lips,
but their heart is far from me;
⁷in vain do they worship me,
teaching as doctrines the commandments of
men.’

⁸You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men.”

⁹And he said to them, “You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! ¹⁰For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’ ¹¹But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban’ (that is, given to God)— ¹²then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, ¹³thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do.”



P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

- C** 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, 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. 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.

SERMON HYMN

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

LSB #575

SERMON

- P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C** Amen.

OFFERTORY

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OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

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- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.

BENEDICAMUS

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- P** Bless we the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTION

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- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.
- C** **Amen, amen, amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

“Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love”

LSB #900

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DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday: 1 Kings 7:51 – 8:21; 2 Corinthians 3:1-18

Monday: 1 Kings 8:22-30, 46-63; 2 Corinthians 4:1-18

Tuesday: 1 Kings 9:1-9; 1 Kings 10:1-13;
2 Corinthians 5:1-21

Wednesday: 1 Kings 11:1-26; 2 Corinthians 6:1-18

Thursday: 1 Kings 11:42 – 12:19; 2 Corinthians 7:1-16;
1 Corinthians 14:1 – 16:24

Friday: 1 Kings 12:20 – 13:5, 33-34; 1 Kings 14:1 – 16:28;
2 Corinthians 8:1-24

Saturday: 1 Kings 16:29 – 17:24;
2 Corinthians 9:1-15; 2 Corinthians 10:1 – 13:14

CHURCH CALENDAR
ST. JOHN'S and FAITH



Check Your
Calendar

Sunday, August 25

- 8:30 a.m. **Worship at St. John's**
10:15 a.m. **Worship at Faith**
11:15 a.m. Bible Study at Faith
 Women of Faith Summer
 Outing

Monday, August 26

- 6:30 p.m. **Worship at Faith**

Sunday, September 1

- 8:30 a.m. **Worship with Holy Communion at St. John's**
10:15 a.m. **Worship with Holy Communion at Faith**
11:15 a.m. Bible Study at Faith

Monday, September 2

NO MONDAY WORSHIP at Faith

Tuesday, September 3

- 6:30 p.m. Women of Faith

Wednesday, September 4

- 5:30 p.m. Confirmation Class at Faith
6:30 p.m. Confirmation Parent Meeting at Faith

Thursday, September 5

- 6:00 p.m. Sunday School Teacher Meeting at St. John's
6:30 p.m. Mary Martha Guild at St. John's

NOTE: Confirmation Classes begin Wednesday, September 4 at 5:30 p.m. at Faith. Parent meeting following class at 6:30 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CARE-Hamburg is looking for a part time teacher willing to work afternoons who will work around schedule and must be flexible, fun loving and must love working with children Experience and education a must. If not, person must be willing to take classes. Call Patti at 715-539-8120 or text at 715-432-4858 for more information.





FAITH and ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCHES

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Gary Baumann Bob Burish
Cheryl Dahlke Doris Dahlke
Rodney Dahlke Steve Dahlke Alice
Fromm Lydia Goetsch
Wallace Emmerich Angie Harkner Emma Hein Dale
Janisch
Cecelia Elizabeth & Lucille Alexandria Klade
Emily Klug Rob Koebe Bruce Krenz Ron Lang
Debbie Olson Mark Pester Edgar Pfaff
Marge Radenz Karen Rajek Jo Schedler
Lorraine Steckling Carl Uttech Philip Vogel
Deb Wiederhoeft Susie and Ellie Zastrow



Stewardship and Evangelism at Faith is collecting **BACK TO SCHOOL** items for the two Lutheran schools in Merrill during the month of August.

Specific items requested include: size #10 Envelopes, boxes of Kleenex, sandwich and quart size "Ziploc" type bags, Chlorox wipes, absorbent paper towel, empty and clean ice

cream buckets with lids, any size sponge to be used in place of ice packs, regular 1x3 inch band-aids.

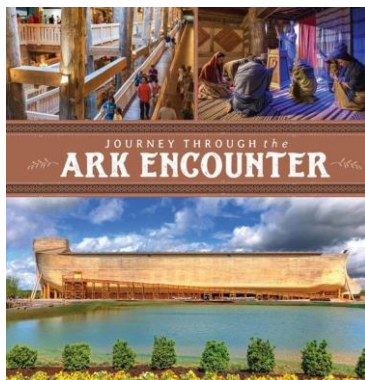
Other items include regular school supplies such as: wide lined spiral notebooks, #2 pencils, backpacks, 24 count small Crayola crayons, pencil cases, folders with pockets, children's scissors, erasers, glue sticks. yellow highlighters, colored pencils.



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 Bartelt (715-574-1261) of the Maine Lion's Club.

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. Final payment is due October 1st.



NORTH WISCONSIN DISTRICT ADULT GATHERING

Make plans now to attend the NWD Adult Gathering on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Weston. Registration & morning refreshments begin at 9:30 a.m. with the program from 10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. A catered lunch will be served at noon.



Devotions will be led by District President Rev. Dr. Dwayne Lueck. Keynote speaker, Rev. Dr. Reed Lessing, will share a message based on his book "Overcoming Life's Sorrows: Learning from Jeremiah" which is included with each registration.

The \$40 registration fee includes morning refreshments, program, lunch and Dr. Lessing's book. Registration deadline is October 1st. A freewill offering will be collected to support Peru missions. Registration forms are available in the narthex and on the NWD homepage at www.nwdlcms.org under 'Events and Info'.



End of Summer Events and Activities! Back to School!

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!*



Sunday, August 25

Women of Faith Outdoor Outing and Potluck Lunch hosted by Chris and Debbie Stogbauer, W7233 Rose-Len Court, Merrill. *All are welcome!*

Wednesday, September 4

5:30 p.m. Confirmation Classes starting at Faith

Sunday, September 8

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY

at St. John's. Special Fellowship Hour following morning worship

Sunday, September 8

4:30 p.m. **ISI Men's Ministry** @ Chris Stogbauer cabin.

Sunday, September 15

Sunday School resumes

- At St. John's, Sunday School will meet during the sermon
- At Faith, Sunday School classes will meet at 9:15 a.m.

Saturday, October 12

LWML Zone Rally at St. John's. Watch for upcoming information.



WATCH for sign up sheets in the back of church for help with the Chili Dinner on September 29 and for help with the Pancake Dinner and Bake Sale on October 20.



Grieving a loss?

Find hope and healing after
the death of a loved one.

Join us at

GriefShare®

Weekly grief support group

Where: Trinity Church 107 N. State St. Merrill
Church Basement

Begins: Monday, September 9, 2024
(14 Sessions)

Time: 6:00 – 8:00PM

Contact: Manda Norman at 715-351-1399
or call Trinity Church to register. 715-536-5482
-Open to the Community- www.griefshare.org

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