



For if the
willingness
is there,
the gift is
acceptable
according
to what
one has,
not according
to what one
does not have.

2 Corinthians 8:12, NIV

**Faith Lutheran Church
St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church - Hamburg
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, June 30 and Monday, July 1, 2024**

2 Corinthians 8:3 – “For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord.” St. Paul lifts up an example of faithful Christian generosity in the Epistle lesson today. Read those words again this week and ponder them. How is the Lord calling you to increase your generosity toward His work?



*Welcome
To our Church*

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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**Order of Service
Divine Service IV**

LSB 203

**Opening Hymn
“Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”**

LSB #901

*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** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Psalm 30

P ¹I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

C ²**O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.**

P ³O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

C ⁴**Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.**

P ⁵For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.



Weeping may tarry for the night,
but joy comes with the morning.

C ⁶As for me, I said in my prosperity, “I shall never be moved.”

P ⁷By your favor, O LORD,

you made my mountain stand strong;
you hid your face;
I was dismayed.

C ⁸To you, O LORD, I cry, and to the Lord I plead for mercy:

P ⁹“What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the pit?
Will the dust praise you?
Will it tell of your faithfulness?”

C ¹⁰Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me! O LORD, be my helper!”

P ¹¹You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness,

C ¹²that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent.

O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

Kyrie

LSB 204

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, during His earthly ministry Your Son Jesus healed the sick and raised the dead. By the healing medicine of the Word and Sacraments pour into our hearts such love toward You that we may live eternally; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Catechism Review

P Sanctification - The Third Article

C 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.

P What does this mean?

C I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

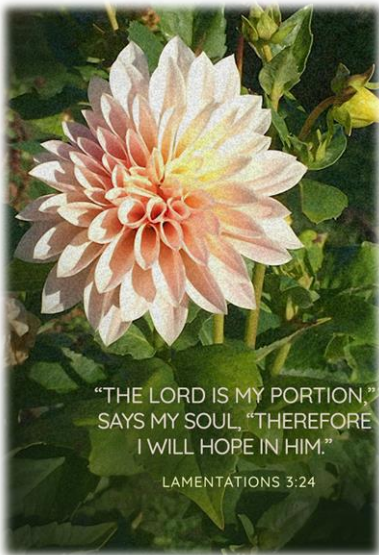
This is most certainly true.

Old Testament Reading

Lamentations 3:22–33

²²The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;
his mercies never come to an end;

²³they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.



²⁴"The LORD is my portion,"
says my soul,
"therefore I will hope in him."
²⁵The LORD is good to those
who wait for him,
to the soul who seeks him.
²⁶It is good that one should
wait quietly
for the salvation of the LORD.
²⁷It is good for a man that he
bear
the yoke in his youth.
²⁸Let him sit alone in silence
when it is laid on him;
²⁹let him put his mouth in the
dust—

there may yet be hope;
³⁰let him give his cheek to the one who strikes,
and let him be filled with insults.
³¹For the Lord will not
cast off forever,
³²but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;
³³for he does not willingly afflict
or grieve the children of men.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Romans 11:33, 36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and
knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments and how
inscrutable his ways!
For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory forever. Amen.

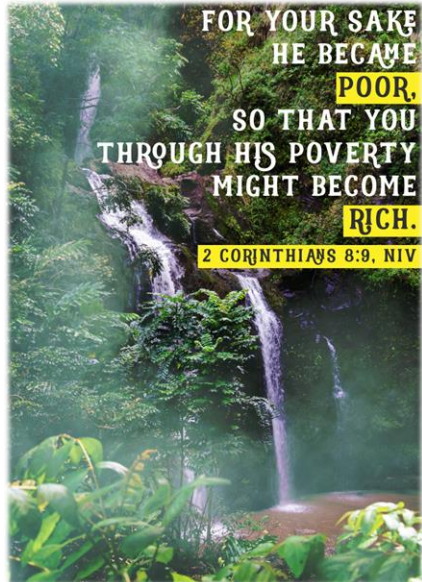
Epistle

2 Corinthians 8:1–9, 13–15

¹We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, ²for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. ³For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own free will, ⁴begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— ⁵and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. ⁶Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. ⁷But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

⁸I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. ⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. . . .

¹³I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness ¹⁴your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. ¹⁵As it is written, “Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack.”



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C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

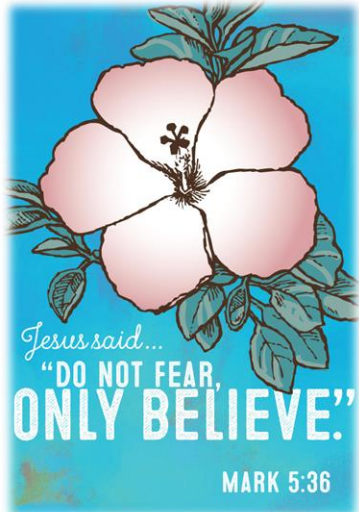
Mark 5:21–43

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. ²²Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet ²³and implored him earnestly, saying, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live.” ²⁴And he went with him.

And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. ²⁵And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, ²⁶and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. ²⁸For she said, “If I touch even his garments, I will be made well.” ²⁹And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my garments?” ³¹And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, ‘Who touched me?’” ³²And he looked around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the



whole truth. ³⁴And he said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

³⁵While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler’s house some who said, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?” ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” ³⁷And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. ³⁸They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹And when he had entered, he said to them, “Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping.” ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. But he put them all outside and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. ⁴¹Taking her by the hand he said to her, “Talitha cumi,” which means, “Little girl, I say to you, arise.” ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. ⁴³And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles’ Creed

LSB 207

Sermon Hymn

“Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness”

LSB #563

Sermon

Offering

Offertory Response

“Give Thanks With a Grateful Heart”

LSB #806

Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

LSB 209

Benedicamus

LSB 212

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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

“Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise” **LSB #917**

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**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

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday: Joshua 5:1 – 6:5; Acts 10:1-17

Monday: Joshua 6:6-27; Acts 10:18-33

Tuesday: Joshua 7:1-26; Acts 10:34-48

Wednesday: Joshua 8:1-28; Acts 11:1-18

Thursday: Joshua 10:1-25; Joshua 10:28 – 22:34;
Acts 11:19-30

Friday: Joshua 23:1-16; Acts 12:1-25

Saturday: Joshua 24:1-31; Judges 1:1-36;
Acts 13:1-12



Rev. Dwayne Lueck, 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

Sunday, June 30

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

10:15 a.m. Worship at Faith

Monday, July 1

6:30 p.m. Worship at Faith

Sunday, July 7

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

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

Monday, July 8

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



Check Your
Calendar



**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

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Lorraine Steckling Carl Uttech Philip Vogel

Deb Wiederhoft Susie and Ellie Zastrow Zulliger family

UPCOMING DATES



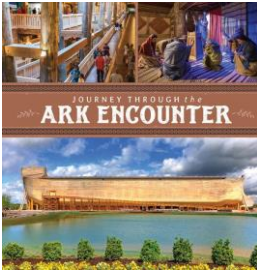
Sunday, August 11
**DUAL PARISH
OUTDOOR
WORSHIP**
at St. John's
10:00 a.m.

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>



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of your upcoming events and activities, don't forget to pick
up Scrip Cards. One can always use cards for everyday
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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.



Sunday, July 28
Semi-Annual Church Meeting
at Faith
Following morning worship

Please have committee reports and any other pertinent information to the church office by Tuesday, July 23.



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 30

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

Next Sunday, July 7

75th Season Celebration at Faith
at 1:30 p.m.



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

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Merrill, WI 54452

or

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

134058 County Road L

Athens, WI 54411

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blessed

IS THE NATION WHOSE

GOD IS THE

Lord

PSALM 33:12

