

**THE WORD IS A**

*lamp unto  
my feet,*

**AND A LIGHT**

**UNTO MY**

**PATH.**



**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH  
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH - HAMBURG  
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Sunday, July 28 and Monday, July 29, 2024**

**Ephesians 3:20 – “Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think ...”** We often shortchange God by failing to remember what Paul says here: God can do far more than what we can think or ask. His power, and His love, are without bound and without measure. So why do we fear to follow His Word? Isn't it in fact fear that keeps us back from a life of joyous generosity and open-handedness? But God is able to do everything far more abundantly! So let us not be afraid to take the Lord at His Word and live according to it.

**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

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**OPENING HYMN “O Bless the Lord, My Soul” LSB #814**

*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 136:1–9

- P** <sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
for his steadfast love endures forever.
- C** <sup>2</sup>Give thanks to the God of gods,  
for his steadfast love endures forever.
- P** <sup>3</sup>Give thanks to the Lord of lords,  
for his steadfast love endures forever;

- C** <sup>4</sup>to him who alone does great wonders,  
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- P** <sup>5</sup>to him who by understanding made the heavens,  
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- C** <sup>6</sup>to him who spread out the earth above the waters,  
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- P** <sup>7</sup>to him who made the great lights,  
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- C** <sup>8</sup>the sun to rule over the day,  
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- P** <sup>9</sup>the moon and stars to rule over the night,  
for his steadfast love endures forever;

**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

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, the protector of all who trust in You, strengthen our faith and give us courage to believe that in Your love You will rescue us from all adversities; 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 Second Petition

**P** *Thy kingdom come.*

**C** **Your kingdom come.**

**P** *What does this mean?*

**C** **The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.**

**P** *How does God's kingdom come?*

**C** **God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.**

### Old Testament Reading

### **Genesis 9:8–17**

<sup>8</sup> God said to Noah and to his sons with him, <sup>9</sup>"Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, <sup>10</sup>and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. <sup>11</sup>I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." <sup>12</sup>And God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and

you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: <sup>13</sup>I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. <sup>14</sup>When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the



clouds, <sup>15</sup>I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. <sup>16</sup>When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” <sup>17</sup>God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

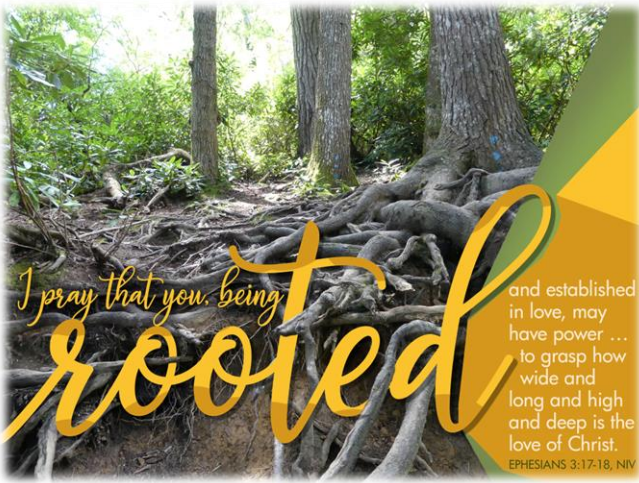
**GRADUAL**

*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**

***Ephesians 3:14-21***



<sup>14</sup>For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, <sup>16</sup>that according to the riches of his glory he may grant

you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup>so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, <sup>18</sup>may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup>and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

<sup>20</sup>Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

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Holy Gospel

**Mark 6:45–56**

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

**C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>45</sup>Immediately [Jesus] made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while

he dismissed the crowd.

<sup>46</sup>And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray.

<sup>47</sup>And when evening came, the



*Take courage!  
It is I.  
Do not be afraid.*

*Mark 6:50*

boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. <sup>48</sup>And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, <sup>49</sup>but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, <sup>50</sup>for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." <sup>51</sup>And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, <sup>52</sup>for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened.

<sup>53</sup>When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. <sup>54</sup>And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him <sup>55</sup>and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. <sup>56</sup>And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

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

**Sermon**

**Offering**

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

**“*Create in Me*”**

**LSB 192-193**

**Prayers of the Church**

**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.**

**Benediction**

**LSB 202**

**CLOSING HYMN**

**“*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*”**

**LSB #733**

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## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

**Sunday:** 1 Samuel 13:1-18; Acts 23:12-35

**Monday:** 1 Samuel 14:47 – 15:9;  
Acts 24:1-23

**Tuesday:** 1 Samuel 15:10-35;  
Acts 24:24 – 25:12

**Wednesday:** 1 Samuel 16:1-23;  
Acts 25:13-27

**Thursday:** 1 Samuel 17:1-19; Acts 26:1-23

**Friday:** 1 Samuel 17:20-47; Acts 26:24 – 27:8

**Saturday:** 1 Samuel 17:48 – 18:9; Acts 27:9-26

## CHURCH CALENDAR

### ST. JOHN'S and FAITH

#### Sunday, July 28

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

10:15 a.m. Worship at Faith

11:15 a.m. Semi-Annual Church Meeting  
at Faith

#### Monday, July 29

6:30 p.m. Worship at Faith

#### Sunday, August 4

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

12:15 p.m. Stewardship and Evangelism Meeting at Faith

#### Monday, August 5

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



Check Your  
Calendar



### ***CHECK IT OUT!***

The new website for Faith  
is up and running.

<https://faithlutheranmerrill.com>



Guest Speaker

Next Week

Seminarian Caleb Gustafson, son of Rev. Scott Gustafson, Trinity, Merrill, will talk with us on behalf of the “*Labor of Love Project*” a program to reduce the educational debt of North WI District LCMS professional church workers. *May God greatly bless and guide all our students studying for full time ministry.*

**2024 Church Softball League**

Today, Sunday, July 28

At St. John’s

at 1:30 p.m.



**UPCOMING DATES**

Sunday, August 11

**DUAL PARISH OUTDOOR WORSHIP** at St.

John’s 10 a.m. *Bring a dish to pass. St John’s will provide burgers and brats.*



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

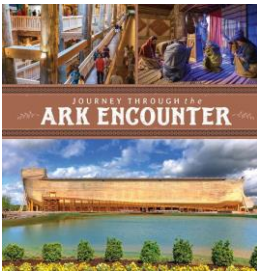


## FAITH and ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCHES

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  
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Deb Wiederhoeft   Susie and Ellie Zastrow



### 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.



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.



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