Faith Lutheran Church - Worship and Communion June 2, 2024 at 9:30 AM The Second Sunday after Pentecost To join with video, go to our website and follow the video link

(<u>www.faithlutheranreno.org</u>) or find us on youtube: <u>https://www.youtube.com/@faithlutheran-reno</u>

The sabbath was made for humankind

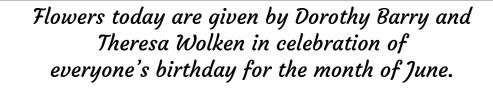
MARK 2:27

Welcome! We are a family of faith, and glad you are here! Congregation responses appear in bold throughout the bulletin and hymnal.

Children's Bulletins are available in the narthex (entrance area), providing activities on today's scripture readings. Please enjoy.

God is present in **Holy Communion** and welcomes all who are hungry. You are welcome to the table. Non-communing children and adults may come forward for a blessing. Let an usher know if you would like communion at your seat.

In Our Worship on the Second Sunday after Pentecost: Deuteronomy makes clear that sabbath-keeping is meant for the welfare of all. God delivered the Israelites out of slavery, so they should observe this freedom with a day of rest. No one should work seven days a week; even slaves and foreigners should be able to rest. Yet human beings can turn even the most liberating religious practice into a life-destroying rule. Jesus does not reject sabbath-keeping, but defends its original life-enhancing meaning. Our worship and our religious way of life are to lead to restoration: the hungry being fed and the sick being healed.



<u>Serving Today:</u> Greeter, Jean C. / Acolyte, O'Reilly Family / Reader, Dorothy B. / Asst Minister, Betty T. / Cantor, Richard S. / Ushers, Tom L. & Mathew R. / Altar Guild, Sharon S. & Trish D. / Tech Support, Riley C. & the FLC Tech Team / Counters, Theresa W. & Sigrun C. / Coffee after Worship, Betty T. & Annette W.

- GATHERING -

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"I've got Peace Like a River", arr. Paul Johnston

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another...

(Silent reflection)

Gracious God,

Have mercy on us.

In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone.

Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Beloved people of God:

In Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN	O Day of Rest and Gladness*	ELW #521
GREETING AND KYRIE		p.184

PRAYER OF THE DAY

-WORD-

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 81:1-10

Sing with joy to | God our strength

and raise a loud shout to the | God of Jacob.

Raise a song and | sound the timbrel, **the merry harp, | and the lyre.** Blow the ram's horn at | the new moon,

and at the full moon, the day | of our feast;

for this is a stat- | ute for Israel, **a law of the | God of Jacob.**

God laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, going out over the | land of Egypt,

where I heard a voice I | did not know:

"I eased your shoulder | from the burden;

your hands were set free from the grave- | digger's basket.

You called on me in trouble, and I de- | livered you;

I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the wa- | ters of Meribah.

Hear, O my people, and I will ad- | monish you:

O Israel, if you would but lis- | ten to me!

There shall be no strange | god among you;

you shall not worship a | foreign god.

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the | land of Egypt.

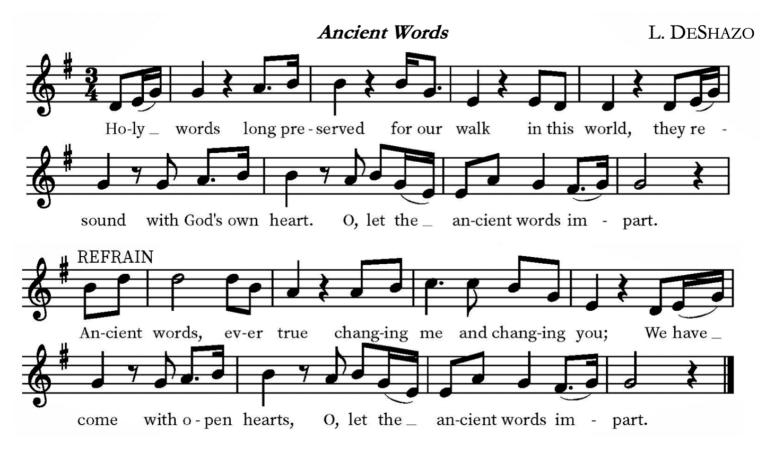
Open your mouth wide, and | I will fill it.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the second chapter, **Glory to you, O Lord.**

HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 2:23-3:6

One sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath." Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they

were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you O Christ.

SERMON	The Stretch of God	Rev. Shaun O'Reilly	
HYMN OF THE DAY	When We Are Living	ELW #639	

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSIONHear us, O God, your mercy is great.PEACEThe peace of Christ be with you always.And also with you.

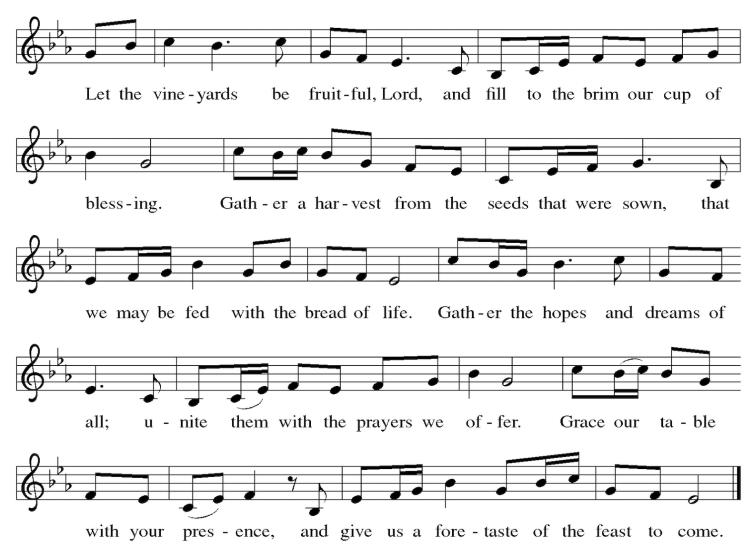
- MEAL -

OFFERING

"I'm Going on a Journey" ELW #446, arr. Riley Cloyd (outgoing choir director)

OFFERING HYMN

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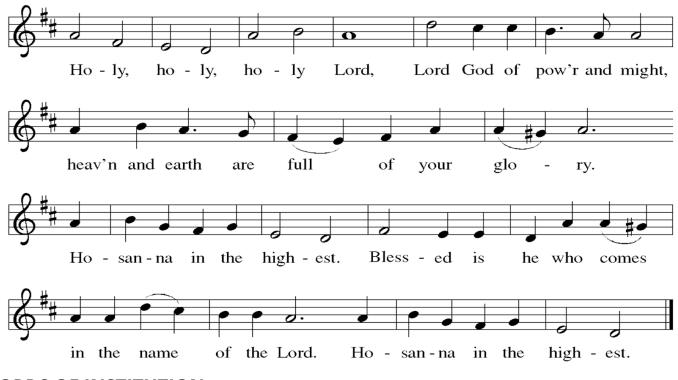
OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. Lift up your hearts. Let us give thanks to our God. And also with you. We lift them to the Lord. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...

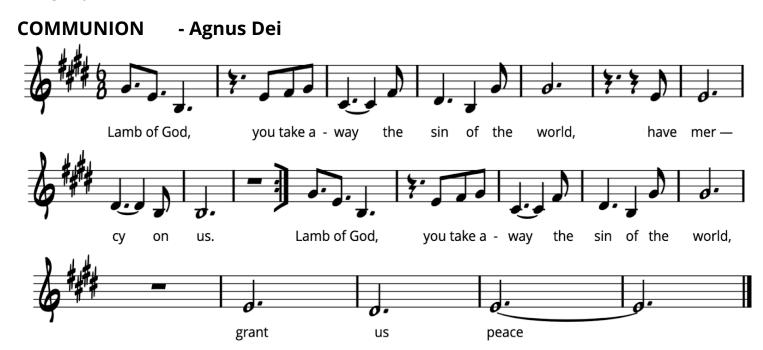
... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.**



COMMUNION HYMNS

By Your Hand You Feed Your People

By your hand you feed your people, food of angels, heaven's bread. For these gifts we did not labor, by your grace have we been fed:

Refrain

Christ's own body, blessed and broken, cup o'er flowing, life outpoured, given as a living token of your world redeemed, restored.

In this meal we taste your sweetness, bread for hunger, wine of peace. Holy word and holy wisdom satisfy our deepest needs. *Refrain*

Send us now with faith and courage to the hungry, lost, bereaved. In our living and our dying, we become what we receive: *Refrain*

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come; 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

In the Peace of God Find Rest

In the peace of God find rest; in the pow'r of God find strength; in the love of God find grace; in God's peace find rest.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

ELW #838

ELW #779

ACS #1029

- SENDING -

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & "THANK YOU!", RILEY

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN	Savior, Again to Your Dear Name*	ELW #534
DISMISSAL	Go in peace. Serve the Lord.	Thanks be to God.

*denotes favorite hymn of congregation

-Shared Harvest in June-

For the Month of June, we need 1 jar of **peanut butter**, 31 cans of **canned fruit**, 1 can of **chicken noodle soup**, and **disposable razors** in unlimited quantities. Packing will be on <u>Sun</u>, June 23rd, 1pm @ Good Shepherd, Reno.

Faith Lutheran Giving and Tithes:

Monthly church budget for 2024 is: **\$15,530.00**

Recent giving for the month of May 2024 was \$12,235.00

Online Giving through Tithe.ly.com for **April 2024** was **\$200.00**.

You may give through our website, click on "Support Faith" at the top of our homepage.

Come to Worship. Go to Serve. Embrace the Community. www.faithlutheranreno.org WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SCHEDULE

Thank you for your hearts of service!

		Jun 2024					
Task	2	9	16	23	30		
Greeter		Richard Scoggins	Linda Zimmerman	Storey Family	Kathy Wilson		
Acolyte	O'Reilly Family	Welmerink Family	O'Reilly Family	Pesis Family	Storey Family		
Reader	Dorothy Barry	Judi Hein	Jean Carter	Cindy Thompson	LindaLu Miller		
Asst. Minister	Betty Thompson	Todd Mauldin	Sharon Scagliotti	Erica Wilfrid	Louis Ling		
Cantor	Richard Scoggins	Todd Mauldin	Sharon Scagliotti	Matthew Rhiley	Louis Ling		
Usher	Matthew Rhiley & Tom Landis	Lukas Butterfield, Betty Thompson, & Dorothy Barry	Tom Landis, Matthew Rhiley, & Zack Weldon	Debbie Hansen & Matthew Rhiley	Betty Thompson & Annette Warner		
Piano/Organ	Heinz Denoyo						
Accompanying Musician	Olivia Knock, Cellist						
Altar Guild	Sharon Scagliotti & Trish Dyer	Betty Thompson & Annette Warner	Sharon Scagliotti & Trish Dyer	Katie Weldon & Kathy Wilson	Betty Thompson & Annette Warner		
Tech Support	Riley Cloyd & the FLC Tech Team!						
Counters	Theresa Wolken & Linda Zimmerman	Sigrun Coffman & Davyann Schalnat	Stan Pesis & Linda Zimmerman	Davyann Schalnat & Linda Zimmerman	Katie Weldon & Davyann Schalnat		
Coffee after Worship	Betty Thompson & Annette Warner	Jean Carter	Father's Day Ice Cream Social				

- Activities at Faith -

- **Memorial Service for Faith Johnson**, <u>Monday, June 10th at 2pm</u>. Consider sharing in this experience by bringing desserts, or cookie trays, etc.
- Sunday Adult Forum following worship today @ 11am Sabbath!
- **Kids' Place** is on hiatus through the end of the summer.
- Father's Day Ice Cream Social! June 16th after worship Pr Stan's Shake Shack will be there!
- **Birthdays/Anniversaries for June** birthdays and anniversaries for the entire month are now acknowledged on the 1st Sunday of each month. Happy birthday & anniversary to all in June!
- <u>Vacation Bible School July 8th 12th</u>, registration begins June 1st, online @ *faithlutheranreno.org*, hard copies available in the Narthex, or scan this QR Code:
- Saturday Faith Formation Classes Saturdays @ 1pm, Pr Stan Pesis leads the study of books, histories, & approaches to the New Testament.



Comments from the Cloud of Witnesses, June 2nd

The observance of the Sabbath had been for Israel a remembering, a bringing into the present the exodus story. It was not a nostalgic ritual, but a command to remember that God had loved Israel enough to bring the people into freedom. Yet Israel's memory had faded into laws and rules. Jesus reminded them that God is concerned for all our needs, not our rules. Even David ate the Bread of the Presence when hungry and in need. David's eating of the consecrated bread did not disturb or change its holiness. Rather, its holiness fed him both physically and spiritually. Incredible though it may seem, God's priority is love for us. That is not found in rules. It was found in Israel's exodus journey to Canaan and most importantly in Christ's journey to Calvary. In Jesus we have been set free from ultimate slavery. The resurrection on Easter morn was the fulfillment of the Sabbath.

-Virginia L. Bennett [in Homilies for the Christian People, 294-95.]