

Faith Lutheran Church - Worship and Communion

September 29, 2024 at 9:30 AM

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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(www.faithlutheranreno.org) or find us on youtube:

<https://www.youtube.com/@faithlutheran-reno>



Welcome! We are a family of faith and so glad you are here! Our worship this month turns to **Setting Four** of the ELW Hymnal, beginning on pg 147.

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.



*Flowers today are given by Pat Porter
in celebration of Cheryl Vought's birthday!*



Serving Today: *Acolyte, O'Reillys / Reader, Judi H / Asst Minister, Sharon S / Cantor, Matthew R / Ushers, Lukas B & Tom L / Altar Guild, Sharon S & Trish D / Tech Support, FLC Tech Team / Counters, Linda Z & Theresa W / Coffee after Worship, Kathy W*

-GATHERING-

PRELUDE

piano improvisation on ELW #656 - Blest Be the Tie that Binds

ANNOUNCEMENTS

moment of centering

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our brokenness and need and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have honored you with our lips,
but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.**

The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes.

In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves.

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

Draw near to us with grace in time of need,

and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

*Holy God, We Praise Your Name**

ELW #414

GREETING

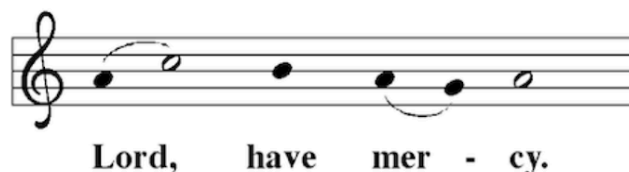
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

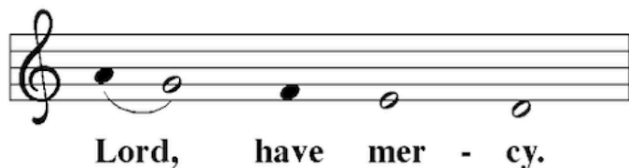
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



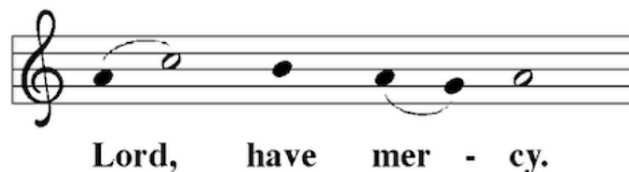
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord.



Refrain

Assisting minister





1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain on next page

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain
has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

-WORD-

FIRST READING: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at." Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the LORD, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child, to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors'? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat!' I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery." So the LORD said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you." So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they

prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!"

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

PSALM 19:7-14

The teaching of the LORD is perfect and re- | vives the soul;

the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom | to the simple.

The statutes of the LORD are just and re- | joice the heart;

the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light | to the eyes.

The fear of the LORD is clean and en- | dures forever;

the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous | altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, more than | much fine gold,

sweeter far than honey, than honey | in the comb.

By them also is your ser- | vant enlightened,

and in keeping them there is | great reward.

Who can detect one's | own offenses?

Cleanse me from my | secret faults.

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion | over me;

then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a | great offense.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable | in your sight,

O LORD, my strength and | my redeemer.

SECOND READING: James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(cantor solo first, then all)*



HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 9:38-50

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the ninth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

John said to [Jesus], "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. "If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. "For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

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

SERMON

With Us, not Against

Rev. Shaun O'Reilly

HYMN OF THE DAY

Gentle Is the Way of Jesus

(Tune of ELW #455)

Gentle is the way of Jesus:
gentle is the healing soul
bandaging the wounds of conflict,
making peace, and making whole;

gentle is the loving purpose
calling us to live this part,
by the chemistry of kindness
changing our ungentle heart.

Save us God, from what consumes us,
 save us from the selves we hate,
 bring us back into your household,
 to the home you would create;

stir in us the daily graces
 that allow your way to start,
 keeping company with Jesus,
 changing our ungentle heart.

APOSTLE'S CREED

A: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' 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 INTERCESSION

God of belonging, **hear our prayer.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

- MEAL -

OFFERING INVOCATION

ELW #879*, vs 1

*For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
 for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:
 Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.*

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Be Thou My Vision" arr. Kaleb Brasee

PRESENTATION HYMN

ELW #879*, vs 5

*For each perfect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n
 for thy-self, best gift divine, to our world so freely giv'n:
 Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.*

OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

COMMUNION AND HYMNS

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. **AGNUS DEI (pg. 154)**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

O Lord, Hear my Prayer**ELW #751**

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and listen to me.

Lord, Let My Heart be Good Soil**ELW #512**

Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone away. When my heart is cold,
warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**-SENDING-****BLESSING**

The blessing of God, who provides for us,

feeds us, and journeys with us,

✠ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN***Blest Be the Tie That Binds******ELW #656****DISMISSAL****A: Go in peace. Remember the poor. Thanks be to God.**

** denotes a favorite hymn of the congregation*

- Activities at Faith -

- **Sunday Adult Forum** - Today @ 11am. We continue books 1 and 2 of C.S. Lewis' classic work *Mere Christianity*. Find yourself a copy and join us.
- **Kids' Place** - Today @ 10:50am - 11:50am. See the classroom makeover!
- **OKTOBERFEST!** - 10/26/24 @ 2pm, *more info soon!*
- **Saturday Faith Formation Classes** - on hiatus until November.

- Pr Shaun invites you to be praying for all the **students/teachers/workers headed back to school**. If you can support the ELCA's campus ministry to UNR or TMCC, see Pr Shaun or support and give and connect at lovingkindnesscollective.org



-Shared Harvest in October-

In October we need only **33 cans of Fruit, 20 cans of Chicken Noodle Soup, and 28 boxes of Cold Cereal**. Packing is Sunday, Oct 27, 1pm @ Our Savior, Sparks.

FLC recent Giving and Tithes:

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

Total giving for August 2024 is: \$22,083.36*

*General Funds - \$12,108.66 *Dedicated Funds - \$9,974.7069

From the Cloud of Witnesses:

Do you want to honor Christ's body? Then do not scorn him in his nakedness, nor honor him here in the church with silken garments while neglecting him outside where he is cold and naked. Of what use is it to weigh down Christ's table with golden cups, when he himself is dying of hunger? First, fill him when he is hungry; then use the means you have left to adorn his table. Will you have a golden cup made, but not give a cup of water? Do not, therefore, adorn the church and ignore your afflicted brother, for he is the most precious temple of all.

—John Chrysostom

[The Liturgy of the Hours (New York: Catholic Book Publishing, 1975), IV, 182-183.]

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WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE

	Oct 2024			
Task	6	13	20	27 Reformation
Greeter	Kathy W	Richard S	Betty T	Linda Z
Acolyte	Pesis'	O'Reillys	Welmerinks	O'Reillys
Reader	Wes G	Davyann S	Jean C	Pam S
Asst. Minister	Louis L	Erica W	Cindy T	Judi H
Cantor	Louis L	Todd M	Sam W	Wes G
Usher	Matthew R & Zach W	Annette W & Debbie H	Lukas B & Dorothy B	Tom L & Erica W
Altar Guild	Kathy W & Trish D	Betty T & Eileen W	Sharon S & Trish D	Betty T & Annette W
Tech Support	The FLC Tech Team!			
Piano/Organ	Heinz Denoyo			
Accompanying Musician	Olivia Knock, Cellist			
Counters	Mary W & Linda Z	Davyann S & Stan P	Sigrun C & Linda Z	Linda Z & Theresa W
Coffee after Worship			Zimmermans	Worship Team

Thank you for your hearts of service!