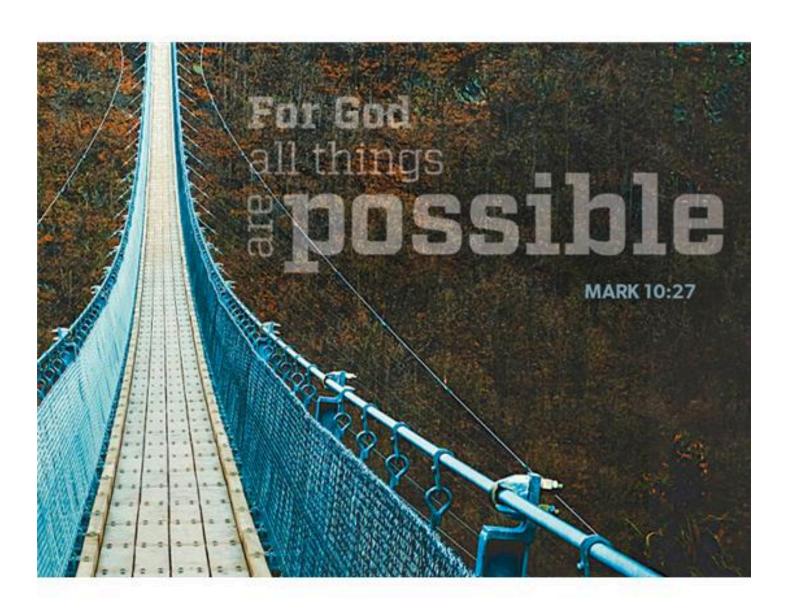
Faith Lutheran Church - Worship and Communion October 13, 2024 at 9:30 AM

The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

To join with video, go to our website and follow the video link (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 Annette Warner in celebration of her birthday and her Mom and Dad's anniversary.

<u>Serving Today:</u> Greeter, Richard S / Acolyte, O'Reilly Family / Reader, Davyann S / Asst Minister, Erica W / Cantor, Todd M / Ushers, Debbie H & / Altar Guild, Betty T & Eileen W / Tech Support, The FLC Tech Team / Counters, Davyann S & Theresa W Coffee after Worship, Theresa W

-GATHERING-

PRELUDE

improvisation on ELW #533 - Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*

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

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

ELW #588

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.

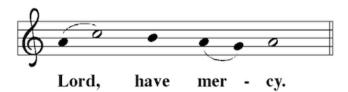
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

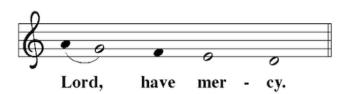
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

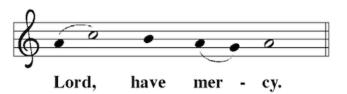
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

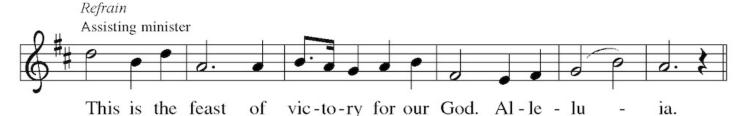






Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord.









This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



PRAYER OF THE DAY

-WORD-

FIRST READING: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

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

PSALM 90:12-17

So teach us to num- | ber our days

that we may apply our | hearts to wisdom.

Return, O Lord; how long | will you tarry?

Be gracious | to your servants.

Satisfy us by your steadfast love | in the morning;

so shall we rejoice and be glad | all our days.

Make us glad as many days as you af- | flicted us

and as many years as we suf- | fered adversity.

Show your ser- | vants your works,

and your splendor | to their children.

May the graciousness of the Lord our God | be upon us;

prosper the work of our hands; pros- | per our handiwork.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 4:12-16

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (cantor solo first, then all)



HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 10:17-31

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the tenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and

said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible." Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

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

SERMON

Shoulders of a Homeless Man

Rev. Shaun O'Reilly

You did not have a home.
There were places you visited frequently,
took off Your shoes and scratched your feet,
cause You knew that the whole world belonged to the meek.
But you did not have a home. No, you did not have a home.

And you did not take a wife.
There were pretty maids all in a row,
lined up to touch the hem of your robe.
But you had no place to take them,
so you did not take a wife. No you did not take a wife.

Birds have nests; foxes have dens. But the hope of the whole world rests on the shoulders of a homeless man. You had the shoulders of a homeless man. You did not have a home.

And you had no stones to throw.
You came without an ax to grind;
you did not toe the party line.
No wonder sight came to the blind!
You had no stones to throw. No you had no stones to throw.

So you rode an ass's foal.
They spread out their coats and cut down palms for you and your donkey to walk upon.
But the world won't find what it thinks it wants on the back of an ass's foal.

So I guess you had to get sold.
Cause the world can't stand what it cannot own
and it can't own you, cause you did not have a home.

-Rich Mullins, The Jesus Record, 1997.

HYMN OF THE DAY

O Jesus, I Have Promised

ELW #810

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 In all things, O God, you are our way, our truth, and our life.

Reveal through us your life-giving work.

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.

ELW #879*. vs 1

arr. Scott Perkins

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.

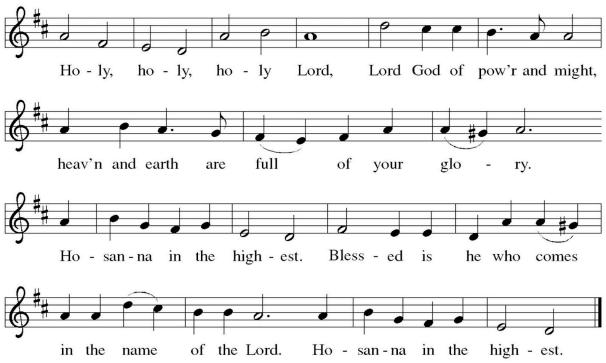
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... It is right to give our thanks and praise.

and join their unending hymn:



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.

Surely God by Ruth Svendsen

Surely God is in this place, holy ground. Surely God is in this place, holy ground.

Jesus, Remember Me*

ELW #616

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Grant Peace, We Pray, in Mercy, Lord

ELW #481

- 1 Grant peace, we pray, in mercy, Lord; peace in our time, oh, send us! For there is none on earth but you, none other to defend us.
 You only, Lord, can fight for us. Amen
- 2 Scripture alone, we pray, O Lord; Hope in your Word, oh send us For there is none on earth but you, none other to befriend us You only Lord, speak truth to us. Amen
- 3 By grace alone we pray O Lord; Grace poured from heaven send us For there is none on earth but you, none other to attend us Your only son you sent for us. Amen
- 4 By faith alone we pray O Lord;
 Faith beyond measure send us
 For there is none on earth but you,
 none other to replenish
 You only Lord can nourish us. Amen

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

-SENDING-

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

For the companionship of our pets, we say thank you. Bless this animal's life in our care; may they know love through all their days.

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Christ is with you. Thanks be to God.

* denotes a favorite hymn of the congregation

- Activities at Faith -

- **Sunday Adult Forum** Today @ 11am. We are in the back of our worship space and we'll be talking about hopes and dreams as a congregation. We'll do this for all of October welcoming conversations about ideas, brainstorms, dreams! Come and join in, we promise to keep it light and give you space to wonder. We are glad for the conversation together!
- Kids' Place Today @ 10:50am 11:50am. Story of the Exodus!
- **OKTOBERFEST!** Sat, Oct 26th @ 2pm, sign up in the Narthex for a dish to share.
- "Trunk or Treat" at Elmcrest Elementary, Tue, Oct 29th @ 5pm. Donations are needed by Sun, Oct 27th, for candy to be given out. All are invited to attend!
- Saturday Faith Formation Classes on hiatus until November. Rejoin us then!
- Scout Pac 512 Fall Festival Sat, Oct 19th @ 4pm. The Scouts are having their annual festival on the FLC patio.
- Painting Class Sat, Oct 19th, sponsored by the Daughters of Norway
- Elmcrest School for Teacher Work Day Oct 14th, We will deliver breakfast.
- **Holy Cross Lutheran Church** Thu, Oct 24th, 5:30 7pm, will offer a "Trunk or Treat" at their location, 4895 S McCarran Blvd. *Take the kiddos to this one as well!*

-Shared Harvest in October-

In October we need only **25 cans of Fruit and 23 boxes of Cold Cereal.** Thank you for your generous donations! 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 - \$9,974.70

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Task	6	13	20	Reformation
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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	Debbie H &	Lukas B & Dorothy B	Tom L & Erica W
	Kathy W &	Betty T &	Sharon S &	Betty T &
Altar Guild	Annette W	Eileen W	Trish D	Annette W
Tech Support	The FLC Tech Team!			
Piano/Organ	Heinz Denoyo			
Accompanying Musician	Olivia Knock, Cellist			
	Mary W &	Davyann S &	Sigrun C &	Linda Z &
Counters	Linda Z	Theresa W	Linda Z	Theresa W
Coffee after Worship	OCT B'days Eileen W	Theresa W	Zimmermans	Worship Team

Thank you for your hearts of service!