

## This Week's Schedule | All Are Welcome!

**Every Sunday - online worship & printable bulletins available at [faithlilacway.org](http://faithlilacway.org)**

*(After the 9:30 service has streamed, there may be a slight delay)*

### **Sunday, February 13**

9:30 AM: Sunday Worship in Sanctuary, parking lot, and streaming live at [faithlilacway.org](http://faithlilacway.org).

10:30 AM: Adult Education class in the library and on zoom - Internship Update with Vicar Kyle Anderson

10:30 AM: Sunday school in classroom 218 (by the chapel)

10:30 AM: Reception for Kaitlyn Bahnemann's Affirmation of Baptism

### **Wednesday, February 16**

3:30 PM: Confirmation in Library

### **Sunday, February 20**

9:30 AM: Sunday Worship in Sanctuary, parking lot, and streaming live at [faithlilacway.org](http://faithlilacway.org).

10:30 AM: Adult Education class in the library. Discussion of plastics pollution and the Minneapolis Area Synod's initiative to reduce plastic use

10:30 AM: Sunday school in classroom 218 (by the chapel)

### **Covid Guidelines**

Following Jesus' call to love and care for the neighbor, especially those who are vulnerable:

- Masking is required for unvaccinated people
- Masking & physical distancing is *strongly* recommended for all.

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# February 13, 2022

## Affirmation of Baptism



### **Holy Communion**

All who believe are welcome to commune. Communion kits (chalices with grape juice and gluten free wafers) are available at the doors.

## **Welcome and Announcements**

*See all our worship options and Covid safety protocols on page 8!*

### **Gathering Song** ELW #526

God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace; here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place. Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech, here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.

Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold; here are bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old. Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt, keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out. Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive; we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.**

Rejoice in this good news: In + Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

**Amen.**

**Anthem** Lamb of God

### **Communion Blessing**

#### **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray. Gracious God,

**we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

#### **Sending Song** ELW #574

"I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"

#### **Refrain**

**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?**

**I have heard you calling in the night.**

**I will go, Lord, if you lead me.**

**I will hold your people in my heart.**

"I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?" **Refrain**

"I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?" **Refrain**

#### **Blessing**

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, + bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever. **Amen.**

#### **Dismissal**

Go in grace, grow in faith, serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

#### **Postlude**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**We believe in the Holy Spirit.**

**Holy Spirit, you have spoken through the prophets, you have kept us in the true faith. You are the healer of our hurts and sorrows. You forgive our sins. You have called us through the Gospel and given us new life in Christ.**

**We believe in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People**

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

Since we have such great hope ... through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

### **Offering**

*We worship God by supporting our church and the mission we share. Our mission for the month of February is EveryMeal.*

### **Offering Prayer**

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God.

**You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.**

**Amen.**

### **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.**

### **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.

#### **Sharing Communion**

*The body of Christ, given for you.*

*The blood of Christ, shed for you.*

### **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.**

### **Hymn of Praise** *(based on Psalm 29)*

**All: Refrain**

**Angels on high and peoples on earth  
give glory to God, praise God's splendor and might.**

Cantor: Render all glory to the name of God;  
give honor within the temple.

**All: Refrain**

Cantor: Over the waters, hear the voice of God  
resounding with thundering power.

**All: Refrain**

Cantor: And to the people God will give strength,  
and blessings of grace and peace.

**All: Refrain**

### **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray. Creative and Redeeming God,  
**you root those who trust in you by streams of healing water. Release us from the bonds of disease and free us from the power of everything that is evil, hurtful, and false so that we may find blessing in you and the grace to bloom where we are planted. In Jesus' name, Amen.**

### **Lesson** *Jeremiah 17:5-10*

*A reading from Jeremiah, the 17th chapter.*

Thus says the Lord:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals  
and make mere flesh their strength,  
whose hearts turn away from the Lord.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert,  
and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,  
in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,  
whose trust is the Lord.

They shall be like a tree planted by water,  
sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes,  
and its leaves shall stay green;

in the year of drought it is not anxious,  
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;  
it is perverse—  
who can understand it?

I the Lord test the mind  
and search the heart,  
to give to all according to their ways,  
according to the fruit of their doings.

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

**Gospel Acclamation** *ELW #174*  
Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel** *Luke 6:17-26*  
The holy gospel according to Luke, the sixth chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Coming down off the mountain with them, he stood on a plain surrounded by disciples, and was soon joined by a huge congregation from all over Judea and Jerusalem, even from the seaside towns of Tyre and Sidon. They had come both to hear him and to be cured of their diseases. Those disturbed by evil spirits were healed. Everyone was trying to touch him—so much energy surging from him, so many people healed! Then he spoke:

You're blessed when you've lost it all.  
God's kingdom is there for the finding.

You're blessed when you're ravenously hungry.  
Then you're ready for the Messianic meal.

You're blessed when the tears flow freely.  
Joy comes with the morning.

“Count yourself blessed every time someone cuts you down or throws you out, every time someone smears or blackens your name to discredit me. What it means is that the truth is too close for comfort and that that person is uncomfortable. You can be glad when that happens—skip like a lamb, if you like!—for even though they don't like it, I do... and all heaven applauds. And know that you are in good company; my preachers and witnesses have always been treated like this.

But it's trouble ahead if you think you have it made.  
What you have is all you'll ever get.

And it's trouble ahead if you're satisfied with yourself.  
Your self will not satisfy you for long.

And it's trouble ahead if you think life's all fun and games.  
There's suffering to be met, and you're going to meet it.

“There's trouble ahead when you live only for the approval of others, saying what flatters them, doing what indulges them. Popularity contests are not truth contests—look how many scoundrel preachers were approved by your ancestors! Your task is to be true, not popular. (MSG)

The gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon** “Rooted in Faith, Watered by Grace” Pastor Pam Stalheim Lane

**Hymn of Day**  
Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you; seek and you shall find;  
knock and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia.

We do not live by bread alone, but by ev'ry word  
that proceeds from the mouth of God. Allelu, alleluia.

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**Affirmation of Baptism of Kaitlyn Bahneman** *ELW page 234*

*Kaitlyn's Bible Verse is from Ephesians 4:32*

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. (NIV)

### **Creed**

*This statement of faith was written by Kaitlyn Bahneman and Lydia Foster as they prepared to affirm their baptism.*

Do you believe in God the Father?

**We believe in a loving God.**

**God, you created everything and everyone. God, you protect and shield us from all evil. God, you guide and accept us with open arms.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**We believe in Jesus Christ.**

**Jesus, you are our savior, who sacrificed yourself so that we may be with you forever. Jesus, you are our teacher, who shows us the way. Jesus, you are the bread of life who provides for us and sustains us. Jesus you are our anchor who provides grounding for us. Jesus you are the light of the world who shines with grace and love.**