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Services

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, July 27th 1:00-8:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Sign up on ARC's website www.redcrossblood.org or call the office and we can help schedule your donation time.

Weekly Schedule

Every Sunday - online worship & printable bulletins available at faithlilacway.org

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

Sunday, July 16th

9:30 AM Weekly Worship in the Sanctuary, Parking Lot and Streaming online at www.faithlilacway.org

10:30 AM Treats & Talk

Give online to Faith Lilac Way Lutheran Church



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God's Faithful Promises Past



Sunday Worship

July 16, 2023

Welcome to Worship

Children are welcome in worship at FLW!

The congregational speaking parts are printed in bold.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song **O God Our Help in Ages Past** ELW 632 vs. 1,2,3,5,6

O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home:

Under the shadow of your throne
your saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is your arm alone,
and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood
or earth received its frame,
from everlasting you are God,
to endless years the same.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home.

Invocation

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

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

Silence for Reflection.

God of All, **we confess that we have sinned against you and against one another in thought, word and deed. We have thought better of ourselves than others. We have told lies, said hurtful things, and acted in ways we wish we could take back. We have looked the other way from those in need, and have stayed still when action was needed. In**

Join us at “The Gathering Place” This Summer!
Next Gathering: Wednesday, July 26th at 6:30pm

Where is the gathering place? Faith-Lilac Way’s beautiful lawn! Join us at 6:30pm for a bonfire, smores and hotdogs! Come as you are and bring your family and friends because all are welcome to join us for some fun, games, conversation and fellowship!



New FLW T-Shirts Now Available!



Need a new t-shirt or never had one? Wear it this summer at The Gathering Place, at our Big Band Bash- just anytime! Short sleeve t-shirts can be purchased through the office: \$10 for children sizes \$20 for adult sizes

Big Band Bash
Wednesday, August 23, 2023
6:00-9:00pm



Come and invite your friends to the Big Band Bash! Join us for grilled brats, beer/root beer and great music!

6:00pm Food and Fellowship

7:00-9:00pm Brooklyn Big Band

Be ready to dance-you know Pastor Pam will!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us for Treats and Talk on Sunday Mornings!

Join us in the library after worship on Sunday mornings for treats and conversation. Sign up or contact the office if you can provide treats on a summer Sunday. All are welcome!



your mercy, O God, forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

Siblings in Christ, if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: Everything old has passed away, everything has become new! In Christ † you are a new creation: you are forgiven and your sins are taken away. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. **Amen.**

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 *Your Love, O Lord*

Your love, O Lord,
Reaches to the heavens.
Your faithfulness
Stretches to the sky
Your righteousness
Is like the mighty mountains.
Your justice flows
Like the ocean's tide.

I will lift my voice
To worship You, my King.
I will find my strength
In the shadow of Your wings. (*repeat*)

Your love, O Lord,
Reaches to the heavens.
Your faithfulness
Stretches to the sky.

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Prayer of the Day

Loving God, **as you guided the Israelites through the wilderness, you also walk alongside us each day. You have been faithful in all times and places and we give thanks for your faithful promises. Help us to know your presence always and give us eyes to see you at work in the world around us. In your name we pray, Amen.**

First Lesson: Genesis 17:1-8 (NRSVUE)

The first lesson is from Genesis, the 17th chapter.

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face, and God said to

him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:105-112 (NRSV)

Cantors: Refrain:

All: Refrain

Thy Word

Richard Webb

Thy word, thy word is a lamp un-to my feet.

Thy word, oh, thy word is a lamp un-to my feet; and a

light un-to my path, and a light un-to my path.

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light upon my path.

I have sworn and am determined to keep your righteous judgments.

I am deeply troubled; preserve my life, O LORD, according to your word.

Accept, O LORD, the willing tribute of my lips, and teach me your judgments.

My life is always in danger, yet I do not forget your teaching.

The wicked have set a trap for me, but I have not strayed from your commandments.

Sending Song **The God of Abraham Praise** ELW 831 v. 1, 3, 4, 7

The God of Abr'ham praise,
 who reigns enthroned above;
 Ancient of everlasting days,
 and God of love--
 "I Am the One I Am"--
 by earth and heav'n confessed;
 I bow and bless the sacred name
 forever blest.

The God of Abr'ham praise!
 Your all-sufficient grace
 shall guide me all my pilgrim days
 in all my ways.
 You deign to call me friend;
 you call yourself my God!
 And you will save me to the end
 through Jesus' blood.

Your promise you have sworn;
 I on your oath depend.
 I shall, on eagle wings upborne,
 to heav'n ascend.
 I shall behold your face;
 I shall your pow'r adore,
 and sing the wonders of your grace
 forevermore.

Before the great Three-One
 the saints exulting stand
 and tell the wonders God has done
 through all their land.
 The list'ning spheres attend
 and swell the growing fame
 and sing the songs which never end,
 the wondrous name.

Blessing

Prince of Peace

Parks

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Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God.

Offering Response *We Will Bless Thee, O Lord*

With our hands lift - ed up, _____ And our mouths filled with
We will bless Thee, O Lord. _____ We will bless Thee, O
praise, _____ With a heart of thanks - giv - ing,
Lord. _____ With a heart of thanks - giv - ing,
— We will bless Thee, O Lord. _____
— We will bless Thee, O Lord. _____

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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.**

Announcements

Your decrees are my inheritance forever; truly, they are the joy of my heart.

I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes forever and to the end.

All: Refrain

Second Lesson: Jeremiah 29:11-13; 31:31-34 (NLT)

For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. In those days when you pray, I will listen. If you look for me wholeheartedly, you will find me.

"The day is coming," says the Lord, "when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and Judah. This covenant will not be like the one I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand and brought them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant, though I loved them as a husband loves his wife," says the Lord.

"But this is the new covenant I will make with the people of Israel after those days," says the Lord. "I will put my instructions deep within them, and I will write them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. And they will not need to teach their neighbors, nor will they need to teach their relatives, saying, 'You should know the Lord.' For everyone, from the least to the greatest, will know me already," says the Lord. "And I will forgive their wickedness, and I will never again remember their sins."

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Congregation:
Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
Optional Repeat
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

Gospel John 8:31-38 (NRSVUE)

The holy gospel according to John the 8th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free?’”

Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed. I know that you are descendants of Abraham, yet you look for an opportunity to kill me because there is no place in you for my word. I declare what I have seen in the Father’s presence; as for you, you should do what you have heard from the Father.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Vicar Joanna Kathol

Hymn of the Day **Great is Thy Faithfulness**

ELW 733

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. **Refrain**

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! **Refrain**

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen,**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

...God in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ,
our Lord. **Amen.**

Offering

It Is No Secret

Hamblen

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Offering Prayer

God of field and forest, sea and sky, **you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**