

Vacation Bible School – July 10-13
Monday- Thursday 5:30 - 7:30 PM



Where: Faith Lilac Way Lutheran Church

Ages: Preschool—6th grade

Suggested Donation: \$25/child

How to Register: Online at www.faithlilacway.org or in the church office
Join us for Dinner, Bible Stories, Crafts, Games & More!

Sponsored by: Faith-Lilac Way, and Greater St. John, and Wildfire partners including Cross of Glory, Valley of Peace, Elim and House of Hope.

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 2nd

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

10:30 AM Treats and Talk

Tuesday, July 4th—Happy Independence Day!

Office Closed for the Holiday

Thursday, July 6th

7:00 PM VBS Meeting in person and online

Sunday, July 9th

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

10:30 AM Treats & Talk

1:00 PM Whiz Bang Days Walking Group in Downtown
Robbinsdale (walking units report for line-up)

3:00 PM Whiz Bang Days Parade begins

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Sunday Worship
July 2, 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

This Is My Song

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This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine.
So hear my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for their land and for mine.

This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms,
your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.
O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you,
and hearts united learn to live as one.
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations;
myself I give you; let your will be done.

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

Altar Guild.....Janis Anderson
Live Streaming.....Rory Joygaard
Tommy Thompson

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!

Whiz Bang Days Parade!



Robbinsdale Whiz Bang Days will be July 6-9, 2023, with the parade being held on **Sunday, July 9th**. We need a minimum of 12 people (24 preferably) to represent Faith Lilac Way by being a member of our unit walking in the parade. Let's spread joy and the love of God together! For details of Whiz Bang Days events throughout the weekend:

<https://www.robbinsdalewhizbangdays.org/>

A sign up sheet to join in on the fun is on the table outside the office.

NEAR Food Shelf is Requesting Our Help!



NEAR is requesting and VBS kids will assemble 15 Birthday Party giftbags. Supplies needed include: balloons, candles, napkins, plates, cake mix and frosting, 8" x 12" cake pan, all put into an outer gift bag.

Additional optional items include coloring books, bubbles, sidewalk chalk, small stuffed animals, etc. The Dollar Store is a good place to gather these items. If you can donate, please let the office know what you will supply. Items needed in the office by July 6th.

Across the world, across the street,
the victims of injustice cry
for shelter and for bread to eat,
and never live before they die.

Then let the servant church arise,
a caring church that longs to be
a partner in Christ's sacrifice,
and clothed in Christ's humanity.

For he alone, whose blood was shed,
can cure the fever in our blood,
and teach us how to share our bread
and feed the starving multitude.

We have no mission but to serve
in full obedience to our Lord;
to care for all, without reserve,
and spread his liberating word.

Blessing

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed
✠ bless you, keep you, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.
Amen.

Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God.

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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

Faithful God, **your love and mercy is always abundant. Give us open
and understanding hearts, that having heard your word, we may seek
Christ's presence in all whom we meet.**

Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18 (NRSV)

Your love, O LORD, forever will I sing;
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.
**For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is established forever;
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.**
"I have made a covenant with my chosen one;
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:
**'I will establish your line forever,
and preserve your throne for all generations.'**"

Happy are the people who know the festal shout!
They walk, O LORD, in the light of your presence.

**They rejoice daily in your name;
they are jubilant in your righteousness.**

For you are the glory of their strength,
and by your favor our might is exalted.

**Truly, our shield belongs to the LORD;
our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

Lesson Romans 6:1-5, 7-8, 11,16-18, 22-23 (NRSVU)

The lesson is from Romans, the 6th chapter.

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may increase? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness.

And now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

All Are Welcome

ELW 641 vs 1,3, 5

Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain

All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: **Refrain**

Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: **Refrain**

Communion Blessing

Communion Prayer

Wise and generous God, **we thank you that at this holy table you have fed us again with the food of everlasting life. Send us now with your blessing to seek the good of our neighbors and to bring others to your feast of love; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Announcements

Sending Song *The Church of Christ, in Every Age*
The church of Christ, in ev'ry age
beset by change, but Spirit-led,
must claim and test its heritage
and keep on rising from the dead.

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Holy, Holy, Holy
Great Thanksgiving

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 Distribution

Lamb of God

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

Lamb of God, you are the way of mercy and love:
have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

Gospel Matthew 10:40-42 (NRSV)

The holy gospel according to Matthew the 10th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the twelve: "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Pamela Stalheim Lane

Hymn of the Day

Spirit, Open My Heart

Refrain
Spir-it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of
liv-ing. As you love may I love, in re - ceiv - ing
and in giv - ing. Spir - it, o - pen my heart.
1 God, re - place my ston - y heart with a heart that's
2 Write your love up - on my heart as my law, my
3 May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of
kind and ten - der. All my cold - ness and
goal, my sto - ry. In each thought, word, and
friend and neigh - bor. As I live from day to
Refrain
fear to your grace I now sur - ren - der.
deed, may my liv - ing bring you glo - ry.
day, love will be my fin - est la - bor.

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

You Can Do This Hard Thing Newcomer and Walters

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.**

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