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 30th

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

10:30 AM Treats & Talk

Sunday, August 6th

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10:30 AM Treats & Talk



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Living in Hope of God's Promises



Sunday Worship July 30, 2023

Welcome to Worship

Children are welcome in worship at FLW!

The congregational speaking parts are printed in bold.

Prelude

Call to Worship	Morning Prayer	Card
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Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song I Know that My Redeemer Lives ELW 619 VS. 1,4,5,7,8

I know that my Redeemer lives! What comfort this sweet sentence gives! He lives, he lives, who once was dead; he lives, my ever-living head!

He lives to silence all my fears; he lives to wipe away my tears; he lives to calm my troubled heart; he lives all blessings to impart.

He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to plead for me above; he lives my hungry soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.

He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death; he lives my mansion to prepare; he lives to bring me safely there.

He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Savior, still the same; what joy this blest assurance gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

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.

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m 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

Worship Leaders

Pastor	Pastor Pamela Stalheim Lane	
Intern Pastor	Vicar Joanna Kathol	
Music Director	Ann Marie Skoglund-Anderson	
Soloist	Heather Lane	
Communion Assistant	Sandy Hanneman	
Lector	Chris Ipsen	
Ushers	Dave Peloquin	
	Mary Peloquin	
Altar Guild	Brenda Thompson	
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!

Join us at "The Gathering Place" This Summer! Next Gathering: Wednesday, August 9th 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!

Help Carolyn Lageson Celebrate Her 90th Birthday!

Carolyn Lageson will be celebrating her 90th Birthday on Saturday, August 12th with an Open House at The Residence at North Ridge. The party will be from 2pm-4pm. The address is 5500 Boone Ave N, New Hope, MN 55428.

Goodbye to Vicar Joanna!

Join us for worship on **August 13th** as we send Joanna off at the close of her internship. After worship we will have a special Treats & Talk time and Vicar Joanna will be making a video to celebrate our time and ministry together this year.

New FLW T-Shirts Available in the Office

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

O day full of grace, O blessed time, our Lord on the earth arriving; then came to the world that light sublime, great joy for us all retrieving; for Jesus all mortals did embrace, all shame and despair removing.

When we on that final journey go that Christ is for us preparing, we'll gather in song, our hearts aglow, all joy of the heavens sharing, and there we will join God's endless praise, with angels and saints adoring.

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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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.

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, we live in an imperfect world, and we long for the fulfillment of your promises for reconciliation and new life. Give us hope in your promises, and strengthen us to be reflections of your love in the world while we wait for your faithful return. In your name we pray, Amen.

Preaching Lesson Revelation 21:1-4; 22:1-5 (NRSVUE)

The lesson is from Revelation, the 21st chapter.

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the

throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them and be their God; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month, and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 105:1-10 (NRSV)

Give thanks to the LORD and call upon God's name; make known the deeds of the LORD among the peoples.

Sing to the LORD, sing praises, and speak of all God's marvelous works.

Glory in God's holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

Search for the strength of the LORD; continually seek God's face. Remember the marvels God has done, the wonders and the judgments of God's mouth.

O offspring of Abraham, God's servant, O children of Jacob, God's chosen ones.

The LORD is our God, whose judgments prevail in all the world,

Who has always been mindful of the covenant, the promise made for a thousand generations:

The covenant made with Abraham, the oath sworn to Isaac,

Which God established as a statute for Jacob, an everlasting covenant for Israel.



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

Shall We Gather at the River

ELW 423

Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain

Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river; gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray, we will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. **Refrain**

Ere we reach the shining river, lay we ev'ry burden down; grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. *Refrain*

Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease; soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. **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

O Day Full of Grace

ELW 627 vs. 1,2,5

O day full of grace that now we see appearing on earth's horizon, bring light from our God that we may be abundant in joy this season.

God, shine for us now in this dark place; your name on our hearts emblazon.



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.

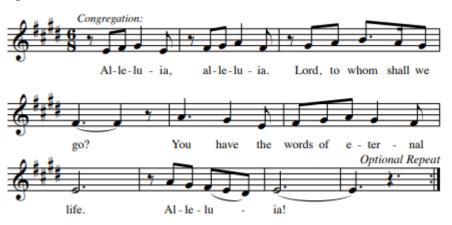
Communion Distribution

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 Acclamation



Gospel Matthew 13:31-33; 44-46 (NRSVUE) The holy gospel according to Matthew the 13th chapter. Glory to you, O Lord

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and reburied; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Vicar Joanna Kathol

Blessed Assurance Hymn of the Day

ELW 638

Blessed assurance. Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain

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This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long: this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain*

Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. 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.

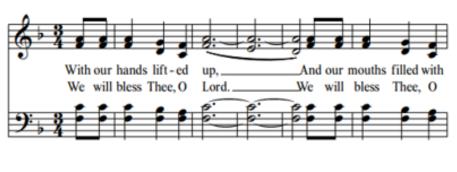
Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

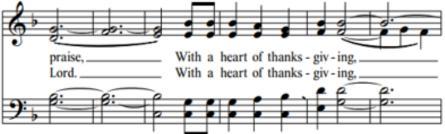
Offering Prayer

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







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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: