

## Weekly Schedule

**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, May 7th**

8:30 AM Sunday School

8:30 AM Confirmation

9:30 AM Weekly Worship in the Sanctuary, Parking Lot and Streaming online at [www.faihlilacway.org](http://www.faihlilacway.org)

10:30 AM Treats and Talk

10:45 AM Exploring the Gifts and Assets of FLW's Ministry and Members!

1:30 PM Council Meeting with Greater St. John Leadership

### **Monday, May 8th**

10:00 AM Staff Meeting

6:30 PM Hennepin County Horticulture Club plant sale (outside or Fellowship Hall)

### **Wednesday, May 10th**

10:00 AM Contemplative Prayer

10:30 AM Bible Study on the Ten Commandments

6:30 PM Confirmation

7:00 PM Chancel Choir

### **Saturday, May 13th**

8:00 AM Faith Practices Neighboring Practices Retreat  
Christ Lutheran Church

12:00 PM-4:00 PM Hennepin County Fix-It! Clinic in Fellowship Hall

### **Sunday, May 14th Happy Mothers Day!**

8:30 AM Sunday School

9:30 AM Weekly Worship in the Sanctuary, Parking Lot and Streaming online at [www.faihlilacway.org](http://www.faihlilacway.org)

10:30 AM Treats & Talk



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# *Sunday Worship*

## *May 7, 2023*



**FAITH-LILAC WAY  
LUTHERAN CHURCH**

## Welcome to Worship

**Children are welcome in worship at FLW!**

*The congregational speaking parts are printed in bold.*

### Prelude

### Welcome

### Gathering Song                      *I Know That My Redeemer Lives*                      ELW 619

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 grant me rich supply;  
he lives to guide me with his eye;  
he lives to comfort me when faint;  
he lives to hear my soul's complaint.

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, 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

### Thanksgiving for Baptism

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters.

**By your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.**

We marvel at the oceans and lakes, rivers and streams, the water that falls from the clouds above, the dew on the grass and the water that is stored deep within the earth. The gift of water washes us clean, quenches our thirst and nurtures crops and creatures.

**We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life.**

In baptism, this same water, with God's word, joins us to Christ and gives us new life.

**In baptism, we are marked with the cross of Christ and sealed with the Holy Spirit.**

## Worship Leaders

Pastor .....Pastor Pamela Stalheim Lane  
Intern Pastor ..... Vicar Joanna Kathol  
Music Director .....Ann Marie Skoglund-Anderson  
Music .....Chancel Choir  
Cantor.....Sue Ferkingstad  
Clarinet.....Jessica Hughes  
Lector.....Chris Ipsen  
Communion Assistant.....Debbie Bren  
Usher .....Debbie Overman  
Mark Overman  
Altar Guild.....Brenda Thompson  
Live Streaming.....Dave Fernelius  
Rory Joygaard  
Tommy Thompson

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Join us for Treats and Talk as We Explore the Gifts and Assets of Faith-Lilac Way!**

For the last two years Faith-Lilac Way has participated in the Faith Practices, Neighboring Practices program. Through this program we have been exploring the gifts and assets that we have to help us do ministry and make meaningful connections with our community neighbors. Today after worship we will be doing a congregational activity to help us explore the gifts and assets we have to share. Please join us and be a part of the conversation!

### **Hennepin County Horticultural Society Plant Sale, Monday May 8th!**

The Hennepin Country Horticultural Society will be hosting a plant sale at FLW this week. Stop on by on Monday, May 8th at 6:30pm to find a new plant for your garden this year!

### **Hennepin County Fix-It Clinic at FLW on May 13th!**

Next Saturday Faith-Lilac Way will be hosting the Hennepin County Fix-It Clinic in our Fellowship Hall. Do you have any small household appliances or electronics you need help with? Some torn clothing you need fixed? Bring your items in from 12:00pm-4:00pm to receive some help fixing your item.

Are you good at tinkering or fixing things? Volunteers are always needed and welcome to make this event. If you would like to volunteer, contact Nancy Lo at [nancy.lo@hennepin.us](mailto:nancy.lo@hennepin.us). \*\*\*Hosts from FLW are needed as the pastor and vicar are attending a Faith Practices retreat that day! Contact the office if you are willing to host part or all of the day. Thanks!

You give yourself to us, O Lord;  
then selfless let us be,  
to serve each other in your name  
in truth and charity. **Refrain**

### **Communion Blessing**

#### **Communion Prayer**

Let us pray. Gracious God **in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. Amen.**

### **Announcements**

**Sending Song**      *The Lord Now Sends Us Forth*      ELW 538

The Lord now sends us forth  
with hands to serve and give,  
to make of all the earth  
a better place to live. **Repeat**

The angels are not sent  
into our world of pain  
to do what we were meant  
to do in Jesus' name;  
that falls to you and me  
and all who are made free.  
Help us, O Lord, we pray,  
to do your will today. **Repeat**

#### **Blessing**

The God of all, who raised ✝ Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation. **Amen.**

#### **Dismissal**

Go in grace, grow in faith, serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

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With this assurance, confess to God your sins, those times in which you have not been your best self, which is the person that God made you to be.

*A moment of silence for reflection and confession.*

Trusting in the power of God and the gift of baptism in which God claims you as God's beloved child, all your sins have been forgiven, washed away. May you be a witness of the power of God's resurrecting love and may the Holy Spirit shower you with grace and love. **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**      *Blessing, Honor and Glory*      ELW 433

Blessing, honor, glory to the Lamb.  
Holy, righteous, worthy is the Lamb.  
Death could not hold Him down  
For He is risen!  
Seated upon the throne  
He is the Lamb of God! *(sing 2x)*

Blessing, honor, glory to the Lamb.  
Holy, righteous, worthy is the Lamb of God.

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#### **Prayer of the Day**

Our God and our Shepherd, **we give you thanks for your faithfulness each day. You guide us and tend to our needs. You know each one of us by name. Help us to listen to your voice and to trust in you always. In your name we pray, Amen.**

#### **First Lesson** Acts 2:42-47

The first lesson is from Acts, the 2nd chapter.

The baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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

(Congregation sings the refrain, cantor sings the verses.)

### Shepherd Me, O God

Refrain

Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -  
yond my fears, from death in - to life.

Verses

God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,  
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,  
I walk by the quiet waters of peace. **Refrain**

Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul,  
you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth,  
my spirit shall sing the music of your name. **Refrain**

Though I should wander the valley of death,  
I fear no evil, for you are at my side,  
your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope. **Refrain**

You have set me a banquet of love  
in the face of hatred,  
crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to hold. **Refrain**

Surely your kindness and mercy follow me  
all the days of my life;  
I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore. **Refrain**

**Second Lesson** 1 Peter 2: 21-25

The second lesson is from First Peter, the 2nd chapter.

For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you,  
leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

“He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Word of God, word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Communion Distribution

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

### *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart*

ELW 484

**Refrain**

You satisfy the hungry heart  
with gift of finest wheat.  
Come give to us, O saving Lord,  
the bread of life to eat.

As when the shepherd calls his sheep,  
they know and heed his voice;  
so when you call your fam'ly, Lord,  
we follow and rejoice. **Refrain**

With joyful lips we sing to you  
our praise and gratitude  
that you should count us worthy, Lord,  
to share this heav'nly food. **Refrain**

Is not the cup we bless and share  
the blood of Christ outpoured?  
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare  
our oneness in the Lord? **Refrain**

The myst'ry of your presence, Lord,  
no mortal tongue can tell:  
whom all the world cannot contain  
comes in our hearts to dwell. **Refrain**

## The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

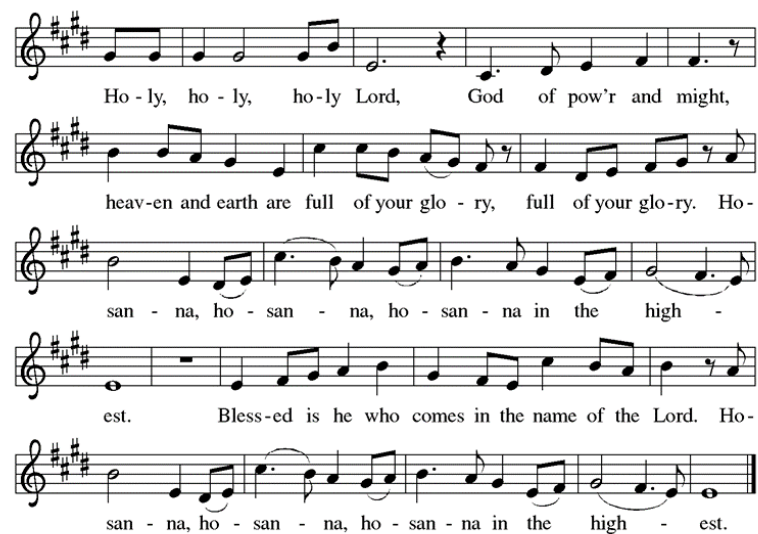
Lift up your hearts.

**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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, 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.**

## Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Gospel John 10:1-10, 14-18

The holy gospel according to John the 10th chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to

steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

"I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Vicar Joanna Kathol

**Hymn of the Day** *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

ELW 789

Savior, like a shepherd lead us;  
much we need your tender care.  
In your pleasant pastures feed us,  
for our use your fold prepare.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
you have bought us; we are yours.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
you have bought us; we are yours.

We are yours; in love befriend us,  
be the guardian of our way;  
keep your flock, from sin defend us,  
seek us when we go astray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
hear us children when we pray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
hear us children when we pray.

You have promised to receive us,  
poor and sinful though we be;  
you have mercy to relieve us,  
grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
early let us turn to you.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
early let us turn to you.

Early let us seek your favor,  
early let us do your will;  
blessed Lord and only Savior,  
with your love our spirits fill.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
you have loved us, love us still.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
you have loved us, love us still.

**Apostle's 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 the People**

...Risen Lord, **receive our prayer.**

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection....through Jesus Christ,  
our risen Lord. **Amen.**

**Offering**

**Anthem**

*I Know My Shepherd's Voice*

Nygard

**Offering Prayer**

Let us pray. Generous God, **in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Offering Response**

With High Delight Let Us Unite

Let praise ring, give thanks and bring to -  
 Christ our Lord ad - o - ra - tion. You pure in heart, all  
 bear your part, sing - Je - sus Christ our sal - va - tion. To set us free for  
 ev - er, he is ris'n and sends to all earth's ends good  
 news to save ev - 'ry na - tion.