

This Week's 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, SEPTEMBER 11

8:30 AM: Sunday School
9:30 AM: Sunday Worship in Sanctuary, parking lot, and streaming live at faithlilacway.org
10:30 AM: Fellowship, Meet the Intern in the Library, Confirmation class in the Fellowship Hall.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

5:30 - 7:30 PM: Robbinsdale Meet and Greet downtown!

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

2:00 PM: Join us for a Ted Talk by Brene Brown and conversation! (No prep required)
7:00 PM: Faith Practices Neighboring Practices Meeting

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

6:30 PM: Confirmation
7:00 PM: Chancel Choir

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

8:30 AM: Sunday School
9:30 AM: Sunday Worship in Sanctuary, parking lot, and streaming live at faithlilacway.org
10:30 AM: Fellowship, Bible study - The Story of Hagar, Confirmation class in the Fellowship Hall.

ROBBINSDALE MEET & GREET!

Monday, September 12th from 5:30 to 7:30pm.

Faith-Lilac Way will host a booth at the Robbinsdale Meet & Greet in downtown Robbinsdale on Monday, September 12th from 5:30-7:30 PM. Join us as we meet and greet our neighbors! Check out the NEAR Foodshelf booth too. There are prizes to win, food to eat and friends to meet! Bring family and friends!



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Sunday Worship

September 11, 2022



Welcome to Worship

All who believe are welcome to commune. You are invited to come forward to receive communion (wine is red and grape juice is white) and a gluten free wafer - or you may pick up a communion kit (chalices filled with grape juice and gluten free wafers) and receive it in your pew.

Children are welcome in worship at FLW!

Activity bags for children are in the entry. The Nursery (down the hall) is available for families with young children to use.

The congregational speaking parts are printed in bold.

We are in a green zone, which means a reduced risk of infection and masks are at your own discretion.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing ELW #807*

Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
fills my heart with joy and love,
teach me ever to adore thee;
may I still thy goodness prove.

Here I raise my Ebenezer:
"Hither by thy help I've come";
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wand'ring from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be;
let that grace now like a fetter
bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

Announcements

YOU ARE INVITED!

Choir meets at 7:00 PM on Wednesday nights. It's not too late to join! Everyone is welcome - whether you have sung in the choir for years or you want to try it out for the first time.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: WILDFIRE EVERY MEAL

Every Meal works to fight hunger in our community by filling the gaps in food access that children face during weekends, summers, and extended breaks. More than 300,000 children in Minnesota live with food insecurity. When these children don't have access to the free and reduced meal programs at school, they don't have access to reliable food and the risk of hunger is very real.

Wildfire Churches, including FLW, provide nutritious and culturally appropriate foodbags to children's backpacks at Lakeview, Forest and Meadowlake Elementary schools every week. Your donation helps provide the food for the bags our volunteers put in the children's backpacks. Thank you for your support. Please make checks payable to Faith Lilac Way with a note that says Mission of the Month: EveryMeal

JOIN OUR BOOK CLUB!

(Daytime or Evening Sessions)

Join BookClub (Hybrid on Thursday September 22 at 7 PM OR Tuesday Sept 27 at 2 PM in the church library). We are reading *Virgil Wander* by Leif Enger, author of *Peace like a River*. With intelligent humor and captivating whimsy, Leif Enger conjures a remarkable portrait of a region and its residents, who, for reasons of choice or circumstance, never made it out of their defunct industrial district. Located on the North Shore, *Virgil Wander* is a swift, full journey into the heart and heartache of an often overlooked American Upper Midwest by a gifted master storyteller.

SEPTEMBER, TUESDAYS AT 2 PM

September 13 - Join us for a Ted Talk by Brene Bren! (No prep required)
September 20 - Social Hour - come for conversation and yummy treats
September 27 - Book Club!

NEAR FOODSHELF DONATION DRIVE FOCUS

The NEAR Foodshelf reports their shelves are very low, please consider donating the following items: Tuna (canned or pouch), Canned Vegetables and Fruit, Peanut Butter and Jelly. They can also use paper bags and one dozen size egg cartons. Cash donations can also be made. Simply include "NEAR Foodshelf" on the check/envelope. You can bring items to the Near Foodshelf bin in the parking lot entrance.

Then may all the living
with praise and thanksgiving
give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.

Blessing

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God.

Worship Leaders

Pastor
Intern Pastor
Interim Music Director

Rev. Pam Stalheim Lane
Vicar Joanna Kathol
Ann Marie Skoglund-Anderson

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Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father,
and of the † Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Silence for reflection

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

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

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.

Kyrie ELW # 154

Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

Hymn of Praise *You Are Holy ELW #525*

You are holy, you are whole.
You are always ever more
than we ever understand.
You are always at hand.
Blessed are you coming near.
Blessed are you coming here
to your church in wine and bread,
raised from soil, raised from dead.
You are holy,
you are wholeness,
you are present.
Let the cosmos praise you, Lord!
Sing hosanna in the highest!
Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to our God!

Prayer of the Day

Gracious God,
**Gather us into your loving embrace,
and pour upon us your wise and holy Spirit,
so that we may become faithful servants
in whom you rejoice with all the company of heaven. Amen.**

Psalm

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
**Wash me through and through from my wickedness,
and cleanse me from my sin.**
For I know my offenses,
and my sin is ever before me.
**Against you only have sinned and done what is evil | in your sight;
so you are justified when you speak and right in your
judgment. R**
Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness,
a sinner from my mother's womb.
**Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me,
and would have me know wisdom deep within.**
Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.
**Let me hear joy and gladness;
that the body you have broken may rejoice.**
Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my wickedness.
**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.**

Choir Response "Create in Me" Mary Rice Hopkins

Refrain

**Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia!**

Heaven is singing for joy, alleluia,
for your life and mine
unite in the love of our God. ***Refrain***

Heaven is singing for joy, alleluia,
for your life and mine
will always bear witness to God. ***Refrain***

Holy, Holy, Holy ELW #473

Holy, holy, holy,
my heart, my heart adores you.
My heart is glad to say the words:
You are holy, God.

Communion Blessing

Prayer after Communion

God of the abundant table,
**you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey.
Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors
with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Sending Song *Sent Forth by God's Blessing ELW #547*

Sent forth by God's blessing,
our true faith confessing,
the people of God from this dwelling take leave.
The supper is ended.
Oh, now be extended
the fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of Christ's teaching,
receptive souls reaching,
shall blossom in action for God and for all.
Your grace shall incite us,
your love shall unite us
to work for your kingdom and answer your call.

With praise and thanksgiving
to God ever-living,
the tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face—
our faith ever sharing,
in love ever caring,
embracing God's children, the whole human race.
With your feast you feed us,
with your light now lead us;
unite us as one in this life that we share.

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:

Holy, Holy, Holy *ELW #193*

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

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 ELW #191

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

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

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

Heaven is Singing for Joy ELW #664

Heaven is singing for joy, alleluia,

for in your life and mine

is shining the glory of God.

Lesson *1 Timothy 1:12-17 (NRSV)*

A reading from Timothy, the 1st chapter.

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *Open Your Ears, O Faithful People ELW #519*

Open your ears, O faithful people,

open your ears and hear God's word.

They who would learn the way of wisdom,

let them hear God's word.

God has spoken to the people, hallelujah!

God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!

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Gospel *Luke 15:1-10 (NRSV)*

The Gospel according to Luke, the 15th chapter.

Glorify to you, O Lord.

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors,

saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

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

Sermon Pastor Pam Stalheim Lane

Hymn of the Day *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy ELW #588*

There's a wideness in God's mercy,
like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in God's justice
which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more felt than up in heav'n.
There is no place where earth's failings
have such kindly judgment giv'n.

There is welcome for the sinner,
and a promised grace made good;
there is mercy with the Savior;
there is healing in his blood.
There is grace enough for thousands
of new worlds as great as this;
there is room for fresh creations
in that upper home of bliss.

For the love of God is broader
than the measures of our mind;
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.
But we make this love too narrow
by false limits of our own;
and we magnify its strictness
with a zeal God will not own.

'Tis not all we owe to Jesus;
it is something more than all:
greater good because of evil,
larger mercy through the fall.
Make our love, O God, more faithful;
let us take you at your word,
and our lives will be thanksgiving
for the goodness of the Lord.

Apostles' 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

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

Gathered together...we offer these and all our prayers to you; through
Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen**

Offering

Choir Anthem "God, Be the Love" Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

Offering Prayer

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures
forever. **You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine.
Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of
your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

Offering Response *We Give Thee but Thine Own ELW #686*

We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus
as stewards true receive,
and gladly, as thou blessest us,
to thee our firstfruits give.