**Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity**

**October 12, 2025**



 **Faith Lutheran Church and School**

***"SHARING OUR FAITH – BUILDING OUR FAMILY IN CHRIST"***

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Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity Divine Service, Setting Three (p.184)

**WELCOME to Faith Lutheran Church!**

*Faith is a member congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. Here in the heart of the city, we preach, teach and confess Christ crucified for the forgiveness of sins. This important truth is at the heart and core of all of our Services, Bible Studies, and other congregational activities.*

**FOR OUR VISITORS**

Please sign our Record of Fellowship on the pew clipboard so we can get to know you. If you have any special needs or questions, please ask our pastor or elder. If you have a prayer request, please fill out the yellow prayer request card, and the elder will be around during the opening hymn to pick it up. Please also join us for Bible Class, which follows the service next door in our Parish Hall

***We do ask that first time visitors desiring Holy Communion speak with the Pastor*** (1 Cor. 4:1) prior to the service. See “About Holy Communion” below

**ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION:**

According to Scripture, the Lord’s Supper is the eating and drinking of the true body and blood of Christ. Participation in the Lord’s Supper indicates unity in confession and faith (1 Cor. 10:16-21). Those not participating are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicating so by folding your hands over your chest as the body and blood come near. Thank you for respecting this historic custom of Christianity. If you would like more information, please pick up the tract in the narthex entitled “A Simple Explanation of Fellowship in the Lord’s Supper” or ask our pastor to arrange for a time to learn more and discuss the process that helps prepare one to confess their faith and join in this Holy Meal.

**PREPARING FOR WORSHIP**

**Whoever Humbles Himself Will Be Exalted**

“Do not put yourself forward in the king’s presence” (Prov. 25:6–14). Rather, take the lowest position at the table. Humble yourself before Him. For your place is not for you to take but for Him to give. Conduct yourself with all lowliness and gentleness, bearing with one another in love (Eph. 4:1–6), that the King may give you glory in the presence of those at the table with you. “For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted” (Luke 14:1–11). Is this not the way of Christ? He is the one who took the lowest place, who humbled Himself even to the point of death for us. He is now exalted to the highest place at the right hand of the Father that penitent believers may be exalted together with Him in the resurrection. To the humble at His Supper He says, “Friend, move up higher,” giving you His very body and blood for your forgiveness that you may ascend to take part in the great wedding feast that has no end

**DIVINE SERVICE – SETTING THREE WITH COMMUNION LSB 184 ff.**

 **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

 **October 12, 2025**

**Opening Hymn** “Love Divine, All love Excelling” **LSB #700**

*(Stand)*

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** p. 184

**† Service of the Word †**

INTROIT - Psalm 119:1–2, 5–6; antiphon: vv. 137, 124

*Righteous are you, | O Lord,\** *and right are your | just decrees!*

**Deal with your servant according to your | steadfast love,\*
 and teach me your | statutes.**

*Blessèd are those whose way is | blameless,\*
 who walk in the law | of the Lord!*

**Blessèd are those who keep his testi- | monies,\*
 who seek him with their | whole heart.**

*Oh that my ways may be | steadfast\*
 in keeping your | statutes!*

**Then I shall not be | put to shame,\*
 having my eyes fixed on all your com- | mandments.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

 **and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

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**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**  p. 187

COLLECT OF THE DAY

*(Sit)*

**CATECHISM** **The Ten Commandments - The Second Commandment**  p.321

**You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.**

*What does this mean?*

**We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.**

OLD TESTAMENT: Proverbs 25:6-14

 Do not put yourself forward in the king’s presence or stand in the place of the great, for it is better to be told, “Come up here,” than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame?

 Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not reveal another’s secret, lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill repute have no end. A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver. Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold is a wise reprover to a listening ear. Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest is a faithful messenger to those who send him; he refreshes the soul of his masters. Like clouds and wind without rain is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL - Psalm 33:12, 6**

*Blessèd is the nation whose God | is the Lord,\*
 the people whom he has chosen as his | heritage!*

**By the word of the Lord the heav- | ens were made,\*
 and by the breath of his mouth | all their host.**

EPISTLE: Ephesians 4:1-6

 I, therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*(Stand)*

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE- Psalm 116:1**

*Alleluia. I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy. Alleluia*.

**HOLY GOSPEL:** **Luke 14:1-11**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

 One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?” But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. And he said to them, “Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?” And they could not reply to these things.

 Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, “When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give your place to this person,’ and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

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*(Sit)*

**Hymn of the Day** “Seek Where You May Find a Way” **LSB #557**

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*Lord in Your Mercy,*

Hear our prayer.

**† Service of the Sacrament †**

*(Stand)*

**PREFACE**  p. 194

PROPER PREFACE

*It is truly good, right, and salutary… evermore praising You and saying:*

**SANCTUS** p. 195

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*The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

**Amen.**

AGNUS DEI p. 198

**DISTRIBUTION**

**Communion Hymn “**Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray” **LSB # 623**

**NUNC DIMITUS** p. 199

**THANKSGIVING**

*O give thanks to the Lord for He is good.*

**And His mercy endureth forever*.***

**PRAYER**

 ***… Amen.***

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**BENEDICTION** p. 202

**Closing Hymn** “O Love, How Deep” **LSB #544**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

During the month of October, Lutheran Churches and Schools in the U.S., traditionally their Appreciation for the Pastors and Teachers that serve them. We at Faith have celebrated this since 2014. This year we will be collecting funds to give monetary gifts to each of our Teachers, Pastor, and Vicar. Each family in our church and school will receive an envelope with instructions of how you can contribute to our Pastor-Teacher Appreciation celebration. Please return your envelopes to the school or church office by October 28th so that we can distribute the funds to our beloved workers on Nov. 2nd when the school children sing in our church service. Thank you for making this a special celebration for all of them!

**PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH**

In addition to praying for all people according to their needs, we pray especially for our local outreach through Faith Lutheran School, LCMS U Arizona and Iglesia Lutherana Santa Trinidad, please pray especially for the following:

Prayers for continued healing for Teddi Jackson, peace and good test results for Nick Pintozzi, for continued healing for Lauren, and for peace in Ukraine and Gaza. Thank you for peace between Israel and Iran, and between Rwanda and Congo. Please bless these peace accords to continue.

For our families suffering with health problems: Ben Solórzano, Marla Davies, Donna Bachie, Carol Priebe, Anna, and Grace; that God would grant them healing of body and peace of heart, and for all our shut-ins. Prayer requests can be made using the yellow cards located in the pews or by contacting us in the church office.

**Please contact Pastor or the Church office for any updates on those listed in the prayers.**

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| **CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK** |
|  **Today****(10/12)** |  10:15 am 11:15 am | Bible ClassSanta Trinidad Service |
| Monday – Pastor’s Day Off |
| **Tuesday****(10/14)** |  5:30 pm | Young Adult Catechism |
| Thursday – Pastoral Visitations |
| **Sunday****(10/19)** |  9:00 am 10:15 am 11:15 am  | Faith Matins ServiceBible ClassSanta Trinidad Service |

**FOR FURTHER GROWTH**

**LISTEN:** Listen to the following online, follow them on social media, or download their podcasts!

* **KFUO Radio (kfuo.org)**, shares “Christ for you anytime, anywhere” producing worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music.
* **Issues, Etc., (issuesetc.org)** is a daily talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio and hosted by LCMS pastor, Rev. Todd Wilken. It is solid, serious and substantive.
* **The Lutheran Hour (lutheranhour.org)** features “God's Help Dwells in Us " Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Sanchez– NEXT Sunday, October 19.

**If you missed a Sunday Service you can watch it on Facebook:**

 **Faith Lutheran Church Tucson.**

We are also thrilled to support the following ministries at Faith:

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 **Serving Today Last Week**

 Pastor: Rev. Nicholas Wirtz Attendance: 27

 Elder: Bill Zanta Bible Class: 11

 Organist: Susan Stults Giving: $1330.00

 Month to date: $1330.00