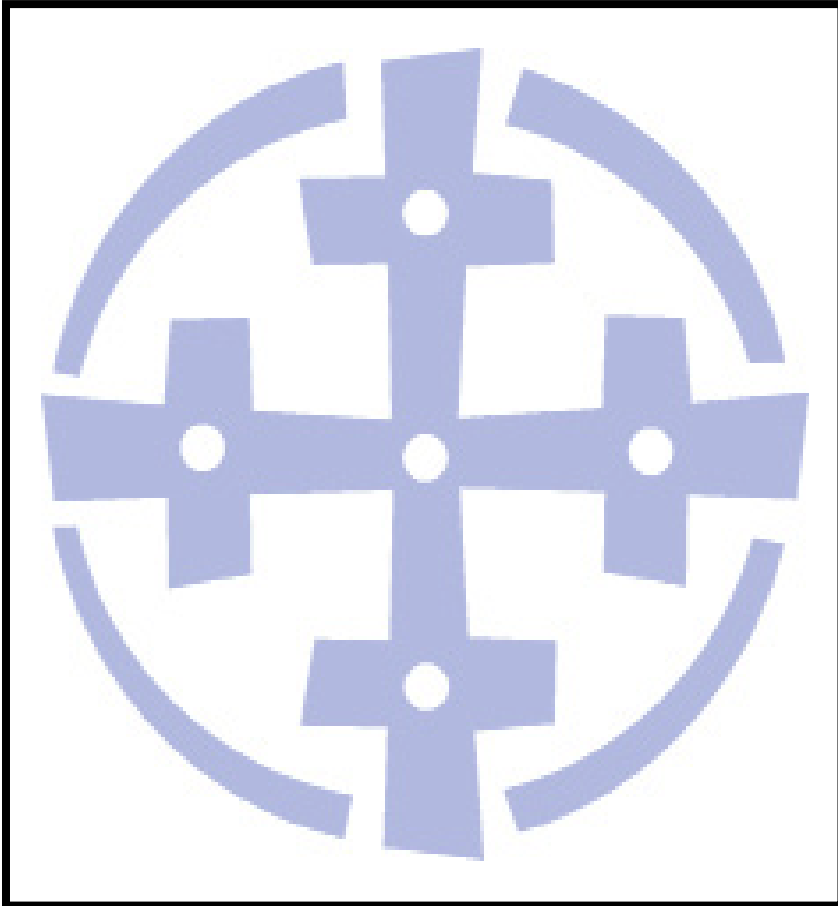


# Welcome to Faith



**Faith Lutheran Church**

April 19, 2026

# ~Third Sunday of Easter~

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## INVOCATION

Vicar: In the name of the father and of the son and of the holy spirit.

**People: Amen**

## OPENING SONG

## All The People Said Amen

You are not alone if you are lonely  
When you feel afraid you're not the only  
We are all the same in need of mercy

To be forgiven and be free  
It's all you got to lean on  
But thank God it's all you need

And all the people said amen  
And all the people said amen  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends  
And all the people said amen

If you're rich or poor well it don't matter  
Weak or strong you know love is what we're after  
We're all broken but we're all in this together

God knows we stumble and fall  
And He so loved the world  
He sent His son to save us all

And all the people said amen  
And all the people said amen  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends  
And all the people said amen

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart  
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart  
Blessed are the people hungry for another start  
For theirs is the kingdom the kingdom of God

And all the people said amen  
And all the people said amen  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends  
And all the people said amen (2x)

## OUR CONFESSION *and* ABSOLUTION

Vicar: By faith we walk in the promises of God, that through faith in Jesus, we receive pardon and peace. So let us cast aside everything that hinders our walk of faith and look to God to restore and empower us through His Grace and Mercy.

**People: We confess our sins to You, O Lord. We have not loved You with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that by faith, our future is secure in You, and by faith we can show the world Your love.**

Vicar: In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**People: Amen!**

## PRAISE HYMN

**Alleluia! Jesus is Risen 474 v 1-3 & 5**

1 Alleluia! Jesus is risen!  
Trumpets resounding in glorious light!  
Splendor, the Lamb, Heaven forever!  
Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

**Refrain:**

***Jesus is risen and we shall arise:  
Give God the glory! Alleluia!***

2 Walking the way, Christ in the center  
Telling the story to open our eyes;  
Breaking our bread, Giving us glory:  
Jesus our blessing, Our constant surprise. *[Refrain]*

3 Jesus the vine, We are the branches;  
Life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;  
Heaven to earth, Christ to the people,  
Gift of the future now flowing to me. *[Refrain]*

5 City of God, Easter forever,  
Golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,  
River of life, Saints and archangels,  
Sing with creation to God the I AM!

## ***The* FIRST LESSON**

**Acts 2:14a, 36–41**

<sup>14</sup>Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . .

<sup>36</sup>Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

<sup>37</sup>Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” <sup>38</sup>And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup>For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.” <sup>40</sup>And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” <sup>41</sup>So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## ***The* SECOND LESSON**

**1 Peter 1:17–25**

<sup>17</sup>If you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one’s deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, <sup>18</sup>knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, <sup>19</sup>but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. <sup>20</sup>He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, <sup>21</sup>who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

<sup>22</sup>Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, <sup>23</sup>since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; <sup>24</sup>for “All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, <sup>25</sup>but the word of the Lord remains forever.” And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## ***The* GOSPEL**

**Luke 24:13–35**

<sup>13</sup>That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup>and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup>While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. <sup>16</sup>But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup>And he said to them, “What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?” And they stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup>Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?” <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, “What things?” And they said to him,

“Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup>and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. <sup>21</sup>But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. <sup>22</sup>Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, <sup>23</sup>and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup>Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see.” <sup>25</sup>And he said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! <sup>26</sup>Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?” <sup>27</sup>And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

<sup>28</sup>So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, <sup>29</sup>but they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent.” So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup>When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup>And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup>They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?” <sup>33</sup>And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, <sup>34</sup>saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!” <sup>35</sup>Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **AFFIRMATION of FAITH**

## **The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **CHILDREN'S CHAT**

## SERMON SONG

## I Will Rise

There's a peace I've come to know  
Though my heart and flesh may fail  
There's an anchor for my soul  
I can say it is well

Jesus has overcome  
And the grave is overwhelmed  
The victory is won  
He is risen from the dead

(And) I will rise when He calls my name  
No more sorrow no more pain  
I will rise on eagle's wings  
Before my God fall on my knees  
And rise I will rise (*I will rise*)

There's a day that's drawing near  
When this darkness breaks to light  
And the shadows disappear  
And my faith shall be my eyes

Jesus has overcome  
And the grave is overwhelmed  
The victory is won  
He is risen from the dead

(And) I will rise when He calls my name  
No more sorrow no more pain  
I will rise on eagle's wings  
Before my God fall on my knees  
And rise I will rise (*I will rise*)

And I hear the voice of many angels sing  
Worthy is the Lamb  
And I hear the cry of every longing heart  
Worthy is the Lamb (**2x**)

(And) I will rise when He calls my name  
No more sorrow no more pain  
I will rise on eagle's wings  
Before my God fall on my knees  
And rise I will rise (*I will rise*)

## *The* MESSAGE

### PRAYERS *of the* CHURCH

Vicar: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs: We pray for the Church as it awaits the final advent of our Lord, that through it the message of salvation may be proclaimed and the gifts of God may be shared. Lord, in Your mercy,

**ALL: hear our prayer.**

Vicar: We pray for those with special needs and concerns this day, especially the hospitalized, the grieving, the unemployed, and all on our hearts at this time for whom our petitions are desired, [including . . .]. Lord, in Your mercy,

**ALL: hear our prayer.**

### *The* LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### OFFERING

#### *The* CLOSING HYMN Who Are You Who Walk in Sorrow 476 v 1-3 & 5

1 Who are you who walk in sorrow  
Down Emmaus' barren road,  
Hearts distraught and hope defeated,  
Bent beneath grief's crushing load?  
Nameless mourners, we will join you,  
We who also mourn our dead;  
We have stood by graves unyielding,  
Eaten death's bare, bitter bread.

2 Who is this who joins our journey,  
Walking with us stride by stride?  
Unknown Stranger, can You fathom  
Depths of grief for one who died?  
Then the wonder! When we told You  
How our dreams to dust have turned,  
Then You opened wide the Scriptures  
Till our hearts within us burned.

3 Who are You? Our hearts are opened  
In the breaking of bread  
Christ the victim, now the victor  
Living, risen from the dead!  
Great companion on our journey,  
Still surprise us with Your grace!  
Make each day a new Emmaus;  
On our hearts Your image trace!

5 “Alleluia! Alleluia!”  
Is the Easter hymn we sing!  
Take our life, our joy, our worship  
As the gift of love we bring.  
We have formed us all one people  
Called from ev’ry land and race.  
Make the Church Your servant body,  
Sent to share Your healing grace!

### ***The* BENEDICTION**

Vicar: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

**ALL: Amen.**

Vicar: Go in peace and serve the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God. Amen**

### **POSTLUDE**

## Announcement

**You are invited to the free...**-Faith Lutheran Church Spring Concert! Saturday, May 2nd, 3-5pm here at Faith! Join us for an afternoon of enjoyable, heartwarming, live music featuring Faith musicians and others. The concert will contain classical, traditional, and modern music shared on many instruments including violin, flute, guitar, piano, vocals and more! Friends at Faith are asked to support the event by bringing an appetizer to share and of course, please attend! Bring friends and family to this special event! You don't want to miss it! Please direct your questions and comments to Laura Milstead at 925 457 4804 or milstead.laura@yahoo.com

**75th Anniversary Celebration-** The save the date was sent out last weekend! We will be celebrating 75 years of Faith during the weekend of June 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. It will be a 2 day event. Saturday will include music, games, dinner and fellowship. Then Sunday we will be having a special service to honor the 75 years Faith has been running and serving the community.

- We are asking for everyone help on this glorious weekend! What we are asking for:

- Volunteers for anything and everything. If you want to help one way or another, please let us know. Contact the office, so they can let the 75<sup>th</sup> committee know and can coordinate what is needed and what kind of help you can help with.
- Photos of anything and everything that was taken here at Faith over the years. Digital photos can be sent to Amber at [amber@welcome2faith.com](mailto:amber@welcome2faith.com). Printed photos can be turned in to Amber in the office or to Betty Sifferman. For all printed photos we will be having your name on the back so we know who to return the photos to.
- We need names, addresses, phone numbers and/or emails of all former Faith members you have stayed in contact with. So get out your old directories if you have saved them to rummage through them to see if you are still in contact with anyone. We want to be able to give the opportunity to send them an invitation to this wonderful celebration. Please submit any of the information you may have to Amber in the office.



**Don't forget to donate!**

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## Upcoming Events

April 19- Sunday Worship @ 9:00 am  
April 19- Kidz K'nnnection @ 9:15 am  
April 19- Sunday Fellowship @ 10:15 am  
April 19- Bible Study @ 10:30 am  
April 19- Choir Practice @ 10:30 am  
April 20- Ladies Bible Study @ 1:00 pm  
April 20- Handbells Practice @ 5:30 pm  
April 22- Over The Hill Gang @ 9:00 am  
April 22- Footprints Chapel @ 10:30 am  
April 24- Bursey/Hanson House Group  
@ 7:30 pm  
April 26- Sunday Worship @ 9:00 am  
April 26- Kidz K'nnnection @ 9:15 am  
April 26- Sunday Fellowship @ 10:15 am  
April 26- Bible Study @ 10:30 am

April 26- Choir Practice @ 10:30 am  
April 27- Ladies Bible Study @ 1:00 pm  
April 27- Handbells Practice @ 5:30 pm  
April 29- Over The Hill Gang @ 9:00 am  
April 29- Footprints Chapel @ 10:30 am  
May 2- Men's Breakfast @ 8:00 am  
May 2- Spring Music Concert @ 3:00 pm  
May 3- Sunday Worship @ 9:00 am  
May 3- Kidz K'nnnection @ 9:15 am  
May 3- Sunday Fellowship @ 10:15 am  
May 3- Bible Study @ 10:30 am  
May 3- Choir Practice @ 10:30 am  
May 4- Ladies Bible Study @ 1:00 pm  
May 4- Handbells Practice @ 5:30 pm  
May 6- Over The Hill Gang @ 9:00 am

## Servants of Faith

### This Week: April 19

**Altar Guild-** Mary Wolkenhauer

**Tech Projection-** Amber Nelsen & Todd Slattengren

**Acolyte-** Brooklynn Fidler

**Reader-** Sheryl Hanson

**Welcomers-** Mary-Margaret Robbers & Chris Wilburn

**Elders-** Mike Snow & Evan Bursey

**Ushers-** Mary-Margaret Robbers & Jessica Grant

**Youth Donuts-** Brooklynn Fidler

### Next Week: April 26

**Altar Guild-** Chris Wilburn & Ivy Saenz

**Tech Projection-** Russell Elkins & Barry Milstead

**Acolyte-** Makaio Dilbeck

**Reader-** Naty Sigurani

**Welcomers-** Debbie Wilkins

**Elders-** Lance O'Connor & Phil Calahane

**Ushers-** Rachael Kriksciunas & Paula Calimeris

**Youth Donuts-** Makaio Dilbeck

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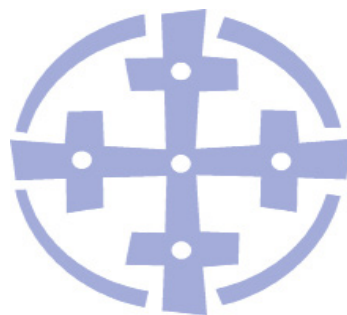
Lutherans believe and teach that the body and blood of Christ are truly present in and with the bread and wine when we receive the Lord's Supper. We do not believe that the bread and wine somehow mystically changes into Christ's body and blood, nor do we believe that the elements merely represent Christ's body and blood. Rather, we embrace the words of Jesus when He said, "Take, eat, this is my body," and "Take, drink, this is my blood." When we receive the bread and wine, we believe we are also receiving the body & blood of Christ because He said so.

We believe that Christ truly comes to us in this meal, offering His body and His blood in an outward sign of His love, His assurance of the forgiveness of our sins won for us by His death on the Cross, and the promise of His very real presence in our everyday lives.

If you are a Baptized believer in Jesus, repentant of your sins, and agree with our understanding of Holy Communion, we invite you to join us in this Sacrament. However, if you are in doubt, you may wish to consult with the Pastor or Elder beforehand. Children may receive Communion after receiving appropriate instruction from the pastor. *Gluten-free wafers are available upon request at the altar. If you have a dietary restriction to wine, grape juice is available in cups at the center of our communion trays.*

# Faith Lutheran Church

## Grow Christ's Life In Every Heart.



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