### The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

October 13, 2024



## "Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near."

(Isaiah 55:6 ESV)

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Welcome to the Divine Service where the risen Christ comes into our midst to bring us the peace of His cross and empty tomb. We pray that the Lord would grant us His Holy Spirit that His Word would bear the fruits of faith in Christ and works of love toward our neighbor.

**The Lord's Supper** is a confession that we are united in holding to all the doctrines of God's Word. Those who do not know and hold to the doctrinal commitment of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are requested to attend the Adult Instruction Class for membership before communing at Faith Lutheran Church.

# Jesus Invites Us to His Wedding Feast to Receive Abundant Righteousness

The Holy Spirit sounds forth the Gospel call: "See, I have prepared my dinner ... Come to the wedding feast" (Matt. 22:1–14). But many reject this invitation in favor of worldly pursuits. And so the call goes out to others, both the good and the bad. For the wedding invitation is not based on the qualifications of those invited but on the basis of the merits and work of Christ. The feast is free: "He who has no money, come, buy and eat ... delight yourselves in rich food." (Is. 55:1–9). Those rejecting the Spirit's work shall experience God's wrath and judgment. Those who are not clothed in Christ's righteousness shall be cast into outer darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Let us therefore seek the Lord while He may be found, for He will have mercy upon us. Let us redeem the time, being filled with the Spirit, giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ (Eph 5:15–21).

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(Please remember to silence your cell phones during the Divine Service.)

**Flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God** by David and Ellen Horn in thanksgiving for Kristen's birthday.

**LWML Sunday** – We give thanks to God our Father who has richly blessed the efforts of the women of LWML and pray that He would continue to spread His kingdom through their work.

**Reformation Fellowship!** – Please mark your calendars for our annual Reformation Celebration which will be held on October 26th. If you've never attended, it's a fun evening of food, games and crafts for the kids, a Reformation skit and a bonfire. This year we will have a Reformation themed costume contest for participants of all ages. Costumes can be period authentic or whimsical. We ask that you bring your favorite German food to share. Please see Angela Perry or Robin Hauth if you would like to volunteer to assist with the children's games or crafts, or have any new ideas for games, crafts or decorations for the event. We look forward to seeing you there.

**Times are available for pastoral home visits. If you haven't yet done so, please use the link to SignUp Genius.** These visits will be about 45 minutes in length and are intended to facilitate an opportunity to talk about church and Sunday School attendance, family devotions, and Bible study. If you would like more time to discuss anything I will be happy to schedule another visit just for that. May God richly bless these visits that our fellowship in Christ may be strengthened. I look forward to visiting each of your homes. – Pastor Ulmer, <u>Every Household Visits Sign Up</u>

Faith Lutheran School is seeking a Kindergarten teacher. If you are interested, please submit your resume and cover letter to faithbce@gmail.com.

A sign-up sheet is available for those who would like to volunteer for Nursery duty during the Sunday School hour.

The Women of Wylie (WoW) are still collecting cereal for the Amazing Grace Food Pantry in Wylie. Cereal is the #1 item that the pantry needs

and can't keep it on the shelves. Please continue to utilize the cereal collection box in the narthex for your contributions.

**1 Timothy Bible Study... The Word of the Lord Endures Forever** is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon recently started a study on 1 Timothy. You can listen at your convenience at thewordendures.org, the LPR mobile app, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn or a podcast provider.

### **OUR LIFE AS CHRISTIAN STEWARDS**

Isaiah 55:2 – "Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?" What Isaiah says here is reminiscent of what Jesus says about putting our earthly wealth in places where "moth and rust destroy" (Matt. 6:19). Where we put the money God has given us to manage says a lot about the way in which we actually view life. What do your spending priorities say about what you think is truly important in life?

### **UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS**

SUNDAY	Twentieth Sunday after Trinity
10/13/24	9:30 AM – Divine Service
	11:15 ам – Sunday School Hour
TUESDAY	9:00 AM – Women's Bible Study
	11:00 AM – Pastor to Circuit Winkle
	3:00 PM – Adult Instruction
WEDNESDAY	6:15 PM – Youth Catechesis
THURSDAY	10:30 ам – Men's Bible Study
FRIDAY	St. Luke, Evangelist
	9:30 AM – Matins
	10:15 AM – Confession and Absolution
	11:00 ам – Homeschool Group
SUNDAY	Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity
10/20/24	9:30 AM – Divine Service
	11:15 ам – Sunday School Hour

#### **PRAYERS**

- Those members and friends of our congregation who are serving in the military (and their families): Emma and Macarois Cassanova (Army), Thomas Kun (Air Force), Brandon Lowery (Navy), Jesse Lowery (Navy), Ethan McCrillis (Marines), Ethan Sims (Air Force Reserves).
- Birthdays celebrated this week Rachel Schwiesow, Kristen Horn, James Rose.
- Baptismal birthdays celebrated this week Marlys Stangeland.
- The mission work of the Lutheran Missionary Women's League and Women of Wylie.
- Leah Savage, Brianna Mallon for protection of mother and child in pregnancy. (Psalm 139:13).
- Tori Thibodeaux's friend, Timmy, who suffered a heart attack this past week.
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues: Dony Reaves, Chris Purcell, Connie Kimber, Ken Lawrence, Ruth and Pete Kun, Tula Sheehan, Christina Null, Devin Jackson, Doug Drawe, Gary Sakko, Deanna, Dan Kosteff, Margie Best, Jill, Evie Savage.
- Those struggling with other ongoing needs: Frank and Antonia, Matt, Marc, Michael.

Assisting in the Divine Service Today:		
Elder – Brian Hendon	Altar: Aimee Hendon	
Adult Bible Class – Pastor Ulmer		
Sunday School Supe	rintendent – Amanda Curry	
10/6/24 General Fund	Offerings received: \$5,053.00	
Restricted Fund O	fferings received: \$80.00	
Weekly budge	t needed: \$4,642.80;	
Budget year to d	late: deficit: -\$4,090.12	
Calendar year to d	late: deficit: - <b>\$13,204.23</b>	