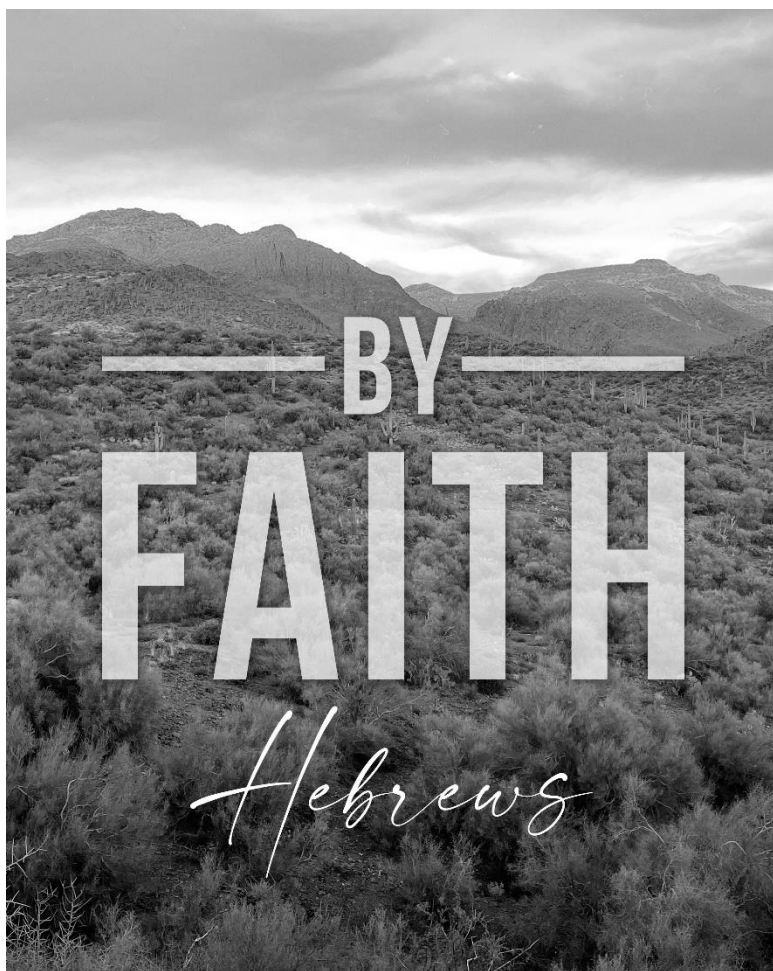




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September 14, 2025 + 10:45 am

Notes To Assist Our Worship

Welcome – We are glad you chose to worship here today! We hope you discover the presence of God here and that together we can grow as friends of Christ and one another.

Standing and Sitting – If standing, sitting, and kneeling is too much for you, please remain seated (or standing at the communion rail) during those parts of the service. God is coming to you with His Gospel gifts. Our standing, sitting, and kneeling are simply our responses to God based on our health and ability.

Nursery – Faith Lutheran Church has a staffed nursery available for you to use on Sundays for children age 3 and younger. Please ask an usher if you need assistance in finding the nursery.

Hearing Impaired – Do you have a hearing impairment that makes it difficult to enjoy worship as much as you would like? Faith has a “hearing loop” for those with hearing aids with that feature. We also offer hearing impaired FM receivers for those wishing to use one. Please see one of our sound technicians for assistance.

Our Hymnals – *LSB* refers to the *Lutheran Service Book*, which is the burgundy hard covered book in the pew rack. *WOV* refers to *With One Voice*, the smaller blue soft cover book.

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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WORSHIP MUSIC

STEP BY STEP

David Strasser

**O God, You are my God,
And I will ever praise You.
O God, You are my God,
And I will ever praise You.
I will seek You in the morning,
And I will learn to walk in Your ways;
And step by step You'll lead me,
And I will follow You all of my days.
(Repeat)**

**And step by step You'll lead me,
And I will follow You all of my days.**

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WELCOME

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

***OPENING SONG**

TAKE ME WITH YOU Bartels, Lamb, Lange
arr. Alex Navarro

**Where are You going? Where are You leading?
Take me with You, can I come with You?**

**You were over the waters, over dark and deep.
Even before the light, all was still asleep.
When I was in that water, You were over me.
Even before I knew, You pursued me.**

Chorus

**You are the Holy Spirit, my Counselor and friend.
You've always been at work, beginning 'til the end.
We may not see You now, but it won't stop what You'll do.**

**You were in that room descending in fire
And tongues broke out like a Gospel choir!
You are in this room, oh, Spirit you're moving.
Show us Lord what You're doing. *Chorus***

**You are the Holy Spirit, my Comforter and peace.
When I'm in times of trouble, You intercede for me.
We may not see You now, but it won't stop what You'll do.**

**Where are You going? Where are You leading?
Take me with You, can I come with You?
Where are You going? Where are You leading?
Take me with You, can I come with You? *Chorus***

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***INVOCATION**

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

***A TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Sung

**Lord, I come I confess; bowing here I find my rest.
Without You I fall apart. You're the One that guides my heart.**

**Lord I need You. Oh, I need You. Ev'ry hour I need You.
My one Defense, my Righteousness, Oh God, how I need You.**

Spoken Confession

Sung

**Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more.
Where grace is found is where You are.
And where You are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me!**

**Lord I need You. Oh, I need You. Ev'ry hour I need You.
My one Defense, my Righteousness, Oh God, how I need You.**

Spoken Absolution

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 16:1-30

16 They set out from Elim, and all the congregation of the people of Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. ² And the whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, ³ and the people of Israel said to them, "Would that we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴ Then the Lord said to Moses, "Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. ⁵ On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily." ⁶ So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, "At evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, ⁷ and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your grumbling against the Lord. For what are we, that you grumble against us?" ⁸ And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the Lord has heard your grumbling that you grumble against him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the Lord."

⁹ Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, 'Come near before the Lord, for he has heard your grumbling.'" ¹⁰ And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. ¹¹ And the Lord said to Moses, ¹² "I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

¹³ In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. ¹⁴ And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵ When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what

it was. And Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat. ¹⁶ This is what the Lord has commanded: 'Gather of it, each one of you, as much as he can eat. You shall each take an omer, according to the number of the persons that each of you has in his tent.'" ¹⁷ And the people of Israel did so. They gathered, some more, some less. ¹⁸ But when they measured it with an omer, whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack. Each of them gathered as much as he could eat. ¹⁹ And Moses said to them, "Let no one leave any of it over till the morning." ²⁰ But they did not listen to Moses. Some left part of it till the morning, and it bred worms and stank. And Moses was angry with them. ²¹ Morning by morning they gathered it, each as much as he could eat; but when the sun grew hot, it melted. ²² On the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread, two omers each. And when all the leaders of the congregation came and told Moses, ²³ he said to them, "This is what the Lord has commanded: 'Tomorrow is a day of solemn rest, a holy Sabbath to the Lord; bake what you will bake and boil what you will boil, and all that is left over lay aside to be kept till the morning.'" ²⁴ So they laid it aside till the morning, as Moses commanded them, and it did not stink, and there were no worms in it. ²⁵ Moses said, "Eat it today, for today is a Sabbath to the Lord; today you will not find it in the field. ²⁶ Six days you shall gather it, but on the seventh day, which is a Sabbath, there will be none." ²⁷ On the seventh day some of the people went out to gather, but they found none. ²⁸ And the Lord said to Moses, "How long will you refuse to keep my commandments and my laws? ²⁹ See! The Lord has given you the Sabbath; therefore on the sixth day he gives you bread for two days. Remain each of you in his place; let no one go out of his place on the seventh day." ³⁰ So the people rested on the seventh day.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Hebrews 11:8-10, 13-16

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he was looking

forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God.

¹³ These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. ¹⁴ For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

***ALLELUIA VERSE**

AGNUS DEI

Michael W Smith

Alleluia, Alleluia, For the Lord God almighty reigns.

Alleluia, Alleluia, For the Lord God almighty reigns.

Alleluia. Holy.

Holy, are you Lord God Almighty.

Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb, You are Holy!

Holy, are you Lord God Almighty.

Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb, Amen.

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***HOLY GOSPEL**

Mark 4:26-32

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the fourth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁶ And he said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. ²⁷ He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. ²⁸ The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. ²⁹ But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

³⁰ And he said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? ³¹ It is like a grain of mustard

seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth,

³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

Pastor Peter

***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.

GATHERING OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

MUSICAL OFFERING

By Faith
(Kim Ebbecke, soloist)

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By faith we see the hand of God
in the light of creation’s grand design,
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness,
who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the pow’r of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God’s own hand,
A place where peace and justice reign.

Chorus

We will stand as children of the promise;
We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death,
And rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost,
to deliver captives and to preach good news
In ev'ry corner of the earth. *Chorus*

By faith this mountain shall be moved
And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail,
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name. *Chorus*

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***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Sick/Hospitalized:

- **Kent Walter**, brother-in-law of Donna Kaser, undergoing diagnostics

Called to Glory:

- **Christopher Congilaro** (9/7/25), son of former FCCNS employee Bonnie Millen

***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.**

***WE ARE SENT WITH GOD'S BLESSING**

**Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord,
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord.
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord,
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord.
Our God, You reign forever. Our hope, our strong Deliverer.**

**You are the everlasting God,
The everlasting God.
You do not faint, You won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak,
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings, like eagles.**

(Repeat to top of song)

Our God, You reign forever. Our hope, our strong Deliverer.

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(Repeat stanza)**

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***DISMISSAL**

**Go in peace and serve the Lord
Thanks be to God.**

POSTSERVICE MUSIC *He is Exalted*

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

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Acolyte/Crucifer: **TBA**

Greeters: **TBA**

Lay Reader: Matthew Bernhardt

Live Stream: Jason Gerlach

Sound: Mark Wood

Ushers: Mari-Beth Schembri, Kathy McCarthy, Bill & Marguerite
McKee, Jill Bernhardt

Volunteers for September 21

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Eucharist Assistants: **TBA**

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Greeters: **TBA**

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