



FAITH
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OUR SUMMER HOURS:

Sunday School: 9:30 am

Sunday Worship: 10 am

Our Mission Statement

The love of Christ compels us to reach out and make disciples who seek the lost, strengthen the weak, and serve those in need, while giving glory to God.

TO OUR GUESTS: Please sign our guest book in Narthex I and fill out a fellowship card to place in the offering plate.

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

August 3, 2014 – 10:00 am

The Pre-service Music

The Chimes

The Welcome, Guest Recognition, Announcements, Prayer

Opening Hymn *“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”* **656**

The Invocation (Please rise)

Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,

People: Amen.

Pastor: We come this morning, Lord,

People: Just as we are.

Pastor: You seek us to come Lord,

All: That we may be yours forever.

Pastor: Teach us to understand being blessed,

People: That we might rejoice in your promises.

Pastor: Let your Holy Spirit guide us,

People: To see the abundant life you give.

Pastor: To all who trust in Jesus,

All: Amen.

The Confession and Absolution

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Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the

Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Kyrie (spoken) *“Lord Have Mercy”* **Page 152**

Hymn of Praise *“This is the Feast”* **Page 155**

The Prayer for Today

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you. (spoken)

Pastor: Let us pray... “Heavenly Father, open the eyes of our hearts to see the greatness of your blessings freely given to all who trust in your son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever”.

People: Amen.

✠ *Please be seated*

Old Testament Reading **Isaiah 55: 1-5**(Bible Page 782)

¹“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.⁴Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God. (spoken)

New Testament Reading **Romans 9: 1-5**(Bible Page 1,202)

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit— ²that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the

worship, and the promises. ⁵To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God. (spoken)

✠ *In honor of Christ who ascended into Heaven, we rise to sing*

All Sing: *“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”* **549 v 6**

Let ev’ry kindred, ev’ry tribe,
On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all.
[To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all.]

The Holy Gospel **Matthew 14: 13-21**(Bible Page 1,042)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 14th chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶But Jesus said, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” ¹⁷They said to him, “We have only five loaves here and two fish.” ¹⁸And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Pastor: This is The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to You, O Christ. (spoken)

The Greeting (please turn to someone next to you, or in front, or behind you)

The Children's Talk As the children go to the CLC, the congregation sings:

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

Refrain

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

The Sermon Hymn "Beautiful Savior" 537

The Sermon "Blessed are Those Hungry for Righteousness"
Matthew 5:3 (Bible page 1,029)
Rev. Gilbert Kuehn, Vacancy Pastor

Hymn of Response "Shine Jesus Shine"

**Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the
Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace
and mercy.
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be
light.**

1 - Lord, the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth you now bring us;
Shine on me, shine on me.

**Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the
Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace
and mercy.
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be
light.**

2 - Lord, I come to your awe-some presence,
From the shadows into your radiance;
By the blood I may enter your brightness;
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness;
Shine on me, shine on me.

**Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the
Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace
and mercy.
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be
light.**

3 - As we gaze on your Kingly brightness,
So our faces display your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the
Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.

Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace
and mercy.
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be
light.

The Nicene Creed (Please rise)

(back of hymnal)

The Gathering of the Offerings *(Please be seated)*

✠ *As the offerings are brought forward the congregation will rise to sing:*

✠ **The Offertory**

"We give Thee but Thine Own"

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1 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.

2 May we Thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
To Thee our firstfruits give!

The Prayers (The Pastor will end each petition with *"Lord, in your mercy ..."* and the congregation will respond with **"hear our prayer."**)

Lord's Prayer

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you. (spoken)

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift Them to the Lord (spoken).

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him Thanks and Praise (spoken).

Pastor: It is indeed right and helpful that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we sing your unending hymn:

The Sanctus

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

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The Words of Institution

Pastor: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you. (spoken)

An appropriate personal prayer before receiving the Sacrament can be found on the page opposite the inside cover of the hymnal.

"White grape juice is available; as well as gluten-free wafers"

The Distribution (please be seated)

- ✠ Faith's statement of faith regarding communion is printed on the reverse side of the Fellowship Card.
- ✠ Those who desire to commune are invited to follow the ushers' instructions.
- ✠ Anyone having difficulty walking to the front of the church may sit in the front pew on the lectern side.
- ✠ Receive the bread from the elder either on the tongue or in the hand. Receive the wine either in the individual or the common cup. If you prefer the individual cup, take one from the proffered tray, place the empty cup in the basin as you return. If you prefer the common cup or chalice, please assist the serving pastor by guiding the cup to control the flow. Please return to your seat by the side aisle.
- ✠ Non-confirmed children will be received at the altar rail for a special blessing.

The Distribution Hymns

"Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense"

741

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

761

✠ *Please rise*

Post-Communion Canticle

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

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Sent forth by God's blessing,
 Our true faith confessing,
 The people of God from His dwelling take
 leave.
 The Supper is ended.
 O now be extended
 The fruits of this service in all who believe.

The seed of His teaching,
 Receptive souls reaching,
 Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
 His grace did invite us,
 His love shall unite us
 To work for God's kingdom and answer His
 call.

Post-Communion Prayer

Pastor: We give thanks to you, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this helpful gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with You, and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

The Benediction

The Proclamation

Pastor: Go in Peace

People: Serve the Lord with Gladness!

The Closing Hymn

“I Love Your Kingdom, Lord”

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Those Serving Today:

Presiding Minister: Rev. Gilbert Kuehn, Vacancy Pastor

Assisting Elder	Bob Brown
Duty Elder	Larry Roach
Acolyte	Brittany Morrison
Altar Care	Mary Oles & June Svensson
Lay Reader	Mel Reinstetle
Audio Assistant	Jonathan Tinker
Video Assistant	John Schaerffer
Ushers	John & Mel Reinstetle and Bob & Mickie Ferguson
Flower Angels	Bob & Mickie Ferguson
Fellowship Cards	Nancy Brendel & Carole Veleber

Stewardship Sentence: Since God never goes on vacation and stops providing for you, be sure to maintain your weekly offering to the Lord this summer when on your vacation.

This Week's Opportunities to Seek, to Strengthen, and to Serve

Sunday, August 3	9:30 am	Sunday School Classes
	10:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
Monday, August 4	9 – 11:30	Food Pantry
	7:00 pm	Board of Christian Education meeting
Wednesday, August 6	9 – 11:30	Food Pantry
Thursday, August 7	6:30 pm	NA meeting in the GSH
Friday, August 8	9 – 11:30	Food Pantry
Saturday, August 9	10:00 am	Women's Bible Study at the Oasis Coffee Spot

A Measure of Our Devotion

July 27, 2014.	
Worship Attendance 2014	139
Worship Attendance 2013	115
SS/Confirmation	10/3
Receipts for July 27, 2014	\$1,745.60

ANNOUNCEMENTS: are due to Carole by noon on Tuesday.

- **THRIVENT EVENT!** Thrivent Financial is hosting a day at the Holy Land Experience in Orlando. We're leaving from King of Kings in Port Richey with a stop at Holy Trinity, Lutz on Oct 30th. Total cost is \$40.00. This price includes your ticket to the park, bus transportation, and lunch too. If you haven't seen this theme park before, it is a unique experience with numerous events from the life of Jesus recreated. See <http://www.holylandexperience.com/> for more details. For more information, contact Barbara Hahn at 385-9657.
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- **CALENDAR CORRECTIONS:** In my haste to make the August calendar available to you last weekend, I inadvertently left the Saturday morning Women’s Bible Study off. Don’t forget to join Melodi Kasberg & Sue Leader as they facilitate this study of “God in the Laundry Room” at 10:00 am at the Oasis Coffee Spot.
- In addition, when I was listing the birthdays and anniversaries, I forgot to look at the last week of July, and only included those people that were celebrating the first few days of August. The following people should have been acknowledged as having birthdays/anniversaries: (27) Kim Barraclough (28) George & Eleanor Goeth (29) Bob Schurkus turned 90; Maggie Grosskurth; Tom & Donalee Ogorzelec. I am so sorry for this oversight.
- **ALTAR FLOWERS** – The altar looks so nice each Sunday with flowers on both sides. These bouquets cost \$15 each or \$30 for both arrangements. It is wonderful when our members remember to sponsor the flowers for a birthday, anniversary, in memory of someone, or just to brighten the altar. Following the service, the flowers are delivered by a Flower Angel to a member who may be ill or homebound. Please remember to place your order by using the envelope from your box, or placing your name, envelope number and reason for celebration on a pew envelope or just any envelope. You then can fill out the clip board by the flower chart in Narthex 1. Thank you for helping to beautify the church every Sunday.
- **EASTER IN AUGUST:** Easter in August will be celebrated on August 31st. We will sing all the favorite Easter hymns. The Easter color is white. Plan to be with us that Sunday. And don’t forget your Easter bonnet!
- **TODAY IS THE DEADLINE** The Council will be developing a Vision Statement which says what our church is to look like. For example: “people who are growing and are actively demonstrating that love in their lives.” We would appreciate your ideas. Blank forms are in Narthex II by the coffee pot. Print your ideas neatly and place in the collection plate by August 3rd. Thank you.
- **HELP NEEDED** Sunday School is still in need of teachers for the fall quarter. Teachers are needed for 1st – 3rd grades, and 5th – 6th grades. If you are not comfortable being a “head teacher”, then perhaps you would consider being a helper? Please consider if God is calling you to this ministry. See Sharon Rubia.



➤ **VACATIONING?** Don't let your giving go on vacation. Let's not forget that giving is not an obligation, but rather an *act of obedience*. It is our way of thanking God for what He has already given us. May God bless you as you obey.

➤ **OUTREACH MINISTRY:** Since taking responsibility for this much needed ministry, Melodi Kasberg has come up with some great ideas for Outreach. For Grandparents Day, this group will be collecting clothing items, and personal hygiene products for the residents of a local nursing home. Please bring in the following new/gently used items: Ladies' blouses and pants; Men's shirts and slacks; socks; sweaters; slippers; pajamas; soap; toothpaste; toothbrushes; combs; deodorant. There will be a collection bin in the Narthex 2 for your donations.

➤ **PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

➤ **Health/Unspoken:** Gary Ahl, Robbie Baumgartner, Emma Beck, Joanne Bellone, Sydney Birmingham, Mary Crane, Robert Engle, Bob Gould, James Ketner, Jimmy Keogh, Stew Mallinson, Peter Mohler, Pat Noll, Dory Nussbacher, Joyce Pankner, Peter Pinaud, Michael Prater, Connie Roach, Francisco Sabo, Ardys Schoebel, Pat Steinbach, Tom Springer, John Stevenson, Jean Terkowski, Mike Terkowski, Chris Van Ess, Harry Van Ess, Pat Van Ess, Karen Young.

➤ **Military:** Leo Ayala, Josh Butterworth, Justin Fivecoat, Tom Hartzell, Brandon Martin, Andrew Murphy, Richard Phernetton, Steve Roy, Jr., Andrew Springer, Vincent Sharkey, Andrew St. John, Alan Stackpoole, Todd Stanger, Tyler Wasson, all veterans, and all servicemen and women in VA hospitals.

➤ **Homebound:** Irene Berlin, Richard Brown, Florine Catt, Marilyn Eggert, Fran Fuller, Vera Grondahl, Bobbie Hain, Pat Hartwell, Selta Heintz, Baxter Holland, Maria Hulyk, James Ketner, Mona Krupicka, Mildred Jeffers, Marge LaVallee, Dottie Maslowski, Evelyn Miller, Kathleen Moore, Dave Noll, John & Lucille Noveck, Ginny Pohlman, Carl Schoebel, Brenda Serena, Hank & Jan Whitt.

➤ **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

Members that are celebrating birthdays this week are:

(4) Laura Schmidt; Shariah Aiesha Ali

Food Pantry Item for the month of August

Macaroni & Cheese

- **BLESS A SCHOOL** The Sunday School is once again collecting school supplies for a local school. If you are unable to shop for the items, or if you would prefer to give us a donation, please put it in an offering envelope and mark it “school supplies”. We are collecting the following supplies:

Spiral notebooks

Pencils

Small pencil sharpeners

Glue

Colored pencils

Erasers

Markers

Notebook paper

Scissors

Folders

Questions? See Sharon Rubia, or call her at (727)376-5338. Drop off your items in the CLC **no later than Sunday, August 10th**.

