



August 16th, 2026

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Fruit of the Spirit: Kindness

Welcome to Worship

We are an intentionally inclusive community, proclaiming a warm welcome to people of every race, nationality, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, and ability into all aspects of our church life.

~ Faith Lutheran Church

We acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of the Coast Salish people, including the Duwamish People past and present. We honor with gratitude the land itself and the Duwamish Tribe.

WELCOME

We are so glad you're here!

HELPFUL INFORMATION

Welcome to worship at Faith Lutheran Church. Everything you need to **follow the service** is in this bulletin. Please take a moment to fill out the **information card** found in the pew rack. Place the card in the offering plate so we can be in touch with you.

Prayer requests to be offered during worship can be written on the prayer request card in the pew rack and passed toward the center aisle where it will be collected by an usher during the first hymn.

There are **coffee and treats** in the Library after the service. We would like to welcome you to continued fellowship. **Restrooms** are located on the far side of the Library or down the main stairs. Should an emergency occur an **AED unit** is located in the narthex on the wall by the main entrance. **Masks and sanitizer** are available at both entrances to the Sanctuary.

The **elevator** is located at the top of the stairs in the Narthex. Feel free to **explore** the building and ask questions of the pastor, ushers or anyone you see!

We encourage you to introduce yourselves and hope you feel **comfortable** here.

Children are welcome and highly encouraged to be in worship. We understand that children have the need to move and make sound; which we find to be a joyful and important part of worship. **Blessing Bags** are found near both entrances of the sanctuary filled with activities for children. A **cry room** is available at the back of the sanctuary should you need a brief respite.

Faith Lutheran Church is a **lively, caring and energetic** community.
We are so glad you are here!

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let Us Break Bread Together
SARA HANSON, GUEST PIANIST*

SPIRITUAL, ARR. CINDY BERRY

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.
Shower us with your Spirit,
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Refrain— sung twice each time



Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa ro - na, di tha -
 Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es, all our



bi - le ka - o - fe - la. Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa
 hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your

End

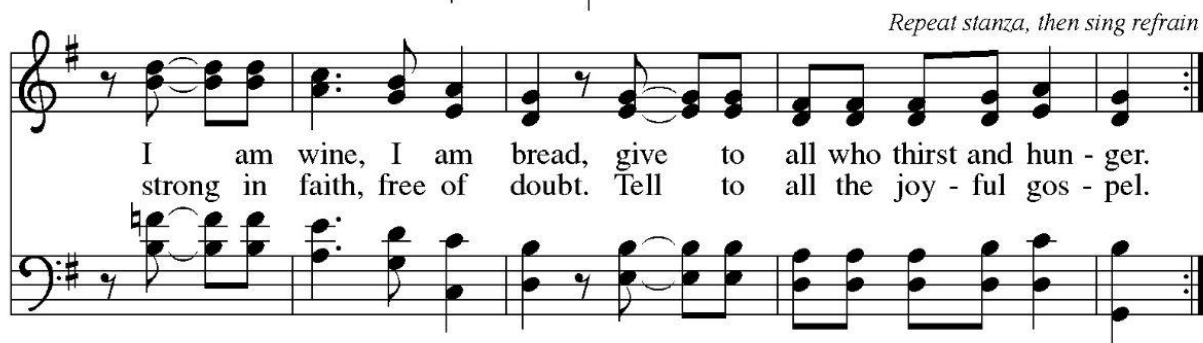


ro - na, di tha - bi - le ka - o - fe - la.
 prais - es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness.



1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,
 2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

Repeat stanza, then sing refrain



I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger.
 strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy - ful gos - pel.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, help us to live your goodness and kindness every day. Instill in us the grace to see life with **clarity** and love. May we be examples of compassion and understanding, in your world, today, tomorrow, and all our days. In Jesus's name we pray. **Amen.**

READING Galatians 5:13-14, 22b-25

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters and siblings, only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become enslaved to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

...(T)he fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL Matthew 18:15-17

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 18th Chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector.

The Word of the Lord,

Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,
 2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion, the light first had its birth;
 3 To - day on wea - ry na - tions the heav'n - ly man - na falls;
 4 New grac - es ev - er gain - ing from this our day of rest,

O balm for care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright:
 on you, for our sal - va - tion, Christ rose from depths of earth;
 to ho - ly con - vo - ca - tions the sil - ver trum - pet calls,
 we reach the rest re - main - ing to spir - its of the blest.

on you the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune,
 on you, our Lord vic - to - rious the Spir - it sent from heav'n;
 where gos - pel light is glow - ing with pure and ra - diant beams
 We sing to you our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;

sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," to the great God tri - une.
 and thus on you, most glo - rious, a three-fold light was giv'n.
 and liv - ing wa - ter flow - ing with soul - re - fresh - ing streams.
 the church its voice up - rais - es to you, blest Three in One.

PRAYERS

*Each petition will end with Merciful God, **receive our prayer.***

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of the peace as you are comfortable.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone

GEORGE N. ALLEN

SARA HANSON, GUEST PIANIST*

OFFERTORY HYMN 184

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

RONALD A. NELSON

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of

bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that

we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of

all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble

with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980
Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

On the night of his arrest, he gathered around a table with his companions.

He took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORDS PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION INVITATION

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ. Come, all is ready, all are welcome.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

As we gather for communion, all are invited to come forward to the bottom step near the baptismal font. If you would like to receive a blessing instead, please place your hands over your heart as a sign of requesting the blessing. You will receive the bread (host) and the wine or grape juice. Gluten free wafers are available and the baked bread is gluten free. If you are communing from another location, we trust that Christ is present through the Holy Spirit in the bread and the wine/grape juice. Please note the importance of the words of institution and the invitation to communion, holding holy worshipful space within this sacrament.

COMMUNION BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace now and forever, Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection, you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN 543

Go My Children With My Blessing

AR HYD Y NOS



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless-ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour-ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap-tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for-ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com-fort stilled you.



Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.

Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

BLESSING

May Jesus Christ, who for our sake became obedient unto death, even death on a cross, keep you and strengthen you. Amen.

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Singing As We Go

GREGG SEWELL

BASED ON A TUNE BY WILLIAM J. KIRKPATRICK

SARA HANSON, GUEST PIANIST*

SENDING

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

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***WORSHIP NOTES:** While our music director is on vacation this weekend, we are happy that **Sara Hanson** is once more at the piano as our guest keyboardist for worship. Sara has taught choral music and musical theater directing at Bellevue College, the University of Puget Sound, and numerous private high schools in the Seattle area. Thanks and welcome, Sara!

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TODAY IN WORSHIP

Preaching & Presiding: Deacon Liz Colver

Music: Sara Hanson, Guest Pianist

Reader: Linda Mihalov

Ushers: Eileen & Wally Powelson

Fellowship: Jean & John Bergo

Altar Guild: Donna Shy

Zoom Host: Kathy Brandstetter

Tech Operator: Carl Presley

NEXT WEEK:

Galatians 5:13-14, 22b-25

Luke 6:32-36



Blood Drive August 19th

This August, we're asking you to do something extraordinary with just one hour. An hour to roll up your sleeve, to give blood, to save a life. Every day, patients rely on blood donations during emergencies, surgeries, and cancer treatments. Those blood donations can only come from generous donors like you. Yet this summer we're having a challenge keeping up with patient need. That's why we're inviting you to set aside one hour to keep our blood supply strong during the summer. Please make an appointment to donate blood near you. Thank you for being the kind of person who shows up when it matters most.

Join us for the Faith Lutheran Church blood drive on **Wednesday, August 19**. Appointments are available between 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Sign up for your appointment by clicking on the link in the weekly email or scanning the QR code below.





Pantry Sundays

As we search for ways to provide local mutual aid in these difficult times, your Community Engagement Team realized that we have two pantries on our block! Every fourth Sunday of the month, we will collect pantry items as part of our offerings. **Daisy's Hygiene Pantry** provides soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, feminine hygiene products, lotions, shaving supplies and hair care products. **The Little Free Pantry** on the corner of 18th and 82nd provides canned soups and stews, canned fruits and veggies, canned protein foods (tuna, salmon, chicken, peanut butter), dried beans and rice and individually wrapped granola/protein bars. Let's help supply these pantries with needed items for our neighbors!

Questions? Check in with Nancy E at 206.595.8610



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Faith Community Directory

Have you signed up for our new Faith Community Directory yet? This secure, online directory makes it easy to stay connected with your Faith family, update your contact information, and add family photos. You can access it anytime from your phone, tablet or computer.

Simply download the **Instant Church Directory** app or visit the directory website (see the weekly email for links and instructions). Use the email address we have on file for you to create your account, then review and update your information.

If you need help getting started or your email address isn't in our records, please contact Emily at **206.317.4631** or **office@faithseattle.org**.

Thank you for helping us build an accurate and welcoming directory for our Faith community! Printed directories will be available once member information has been updated and verified.

Office Update

Emily, our Office Manager will be out of the office from **August 4-25** for surgery and recovery.

During this time, **Deacon Liz Colver** will be the primary contact for urgent office matters. Deacon Liz's contact information is:

- **Email:** deacon.liz.colver@gmail.com
- **Phone:** 206.391.2117

We are grateful for our office volunteers, who will assist with administrative tasks to help keep the office running smoothly during this time.

Thank you for your prayers, patience and understanding. Your support and kindness are greatly appreciated as we continue to serve the Faith community together.